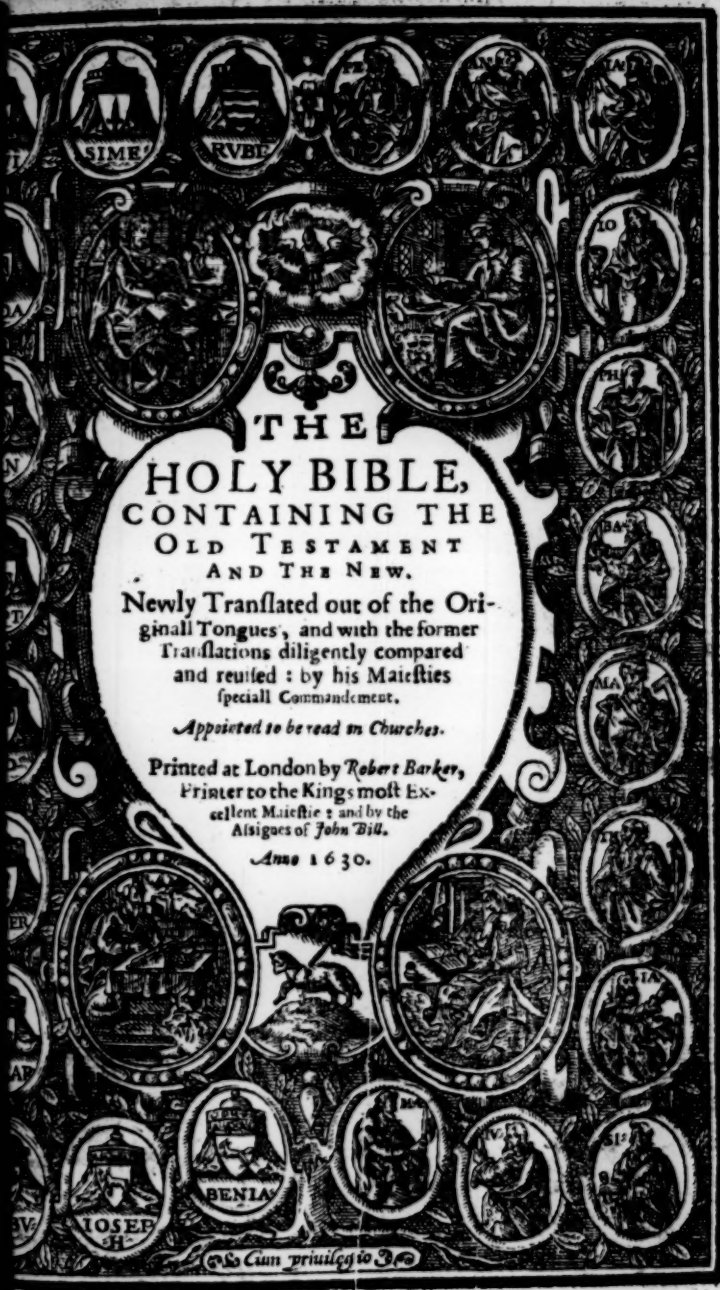

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By day to read those Wonders o're,
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Shine brighter in thy Book.
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TO THE MOST HIGH AND Mightie Prince, IAMES by the grace of God King of Great BRITAINE, FRANCE and IRELAND, *Defender of the Faith, &c.*

The Translators of the Bible, wish Grace, Mercie, and Peace, through IESVS CHRIST our LORD.

*G*Reat and manifold were the blessings (most dread Soueraigne) which Almighty God the Father of all mercies, bestowed vpon vs the people of England, when first he sent your Maiesties Royall person to rule and reigne ouer vs. For whereas it was the expectation of many, who wished not well vnto our Sion, that vpon the setting of that bright Occidentall Starre Queene Elizabeth of most happy memory, some thicke and palpable cloudes of darkenesse would so haue ouershadowed this land, that men should haue bene in doubt which way they were to walke, and that it should hardly be knowen, who was to direct the vnsetled State: the appearance of [yo]ur Maiestie, as of the Sunne in his strength, instantly dispelled those supposed and surmised mists, and [gaue] vnto all that were well affected, exceeding cause of comfort; especially when we beheld the gouern[me]nt established in your Highnesse, and your hopefull Seed, by an vndoubted Title, and this also accompa[nie]d with peace and tranquillity at home and abroad.

[B]ut amongst all our Ioyes, there was no one that more filled our hearts, then the blessed continuance of [th]e preaching of Gods sacred word amongst vs, which is that inestimable treasure, which excelleth all [th]e riches of the earth, because the fruit thereof extendeth it selfe, not onely to the time spent in this tran[si]tory world, but directeth and disposeth men vnto that Eternall happinesse which is aboue in heauen.

[Th]en not to suffer this to fall to the ground, but rather to take it vp, and to continue it in that state, wher[e] the famous predecessour of your Highnesse did leaue it; Nay, to goe forward with the confidence and [re]solution of a man in maintaining the Trueth of Christ, and propagating it farre and neere, is that which [ha]th so bound and firmely knit the hearts of all your Maiesties loyall and religious people vnto you, that [yo]ur very Name is precious among them, their eye doeth behold you with comfort, and they blesse you in [the]ir hearts, as that sanctified person, who vnder God, is the immediate authour of their true happinesse. [A]nd this their contentment doeth not diminish or decay, but euery day encreaseth and taketh strength, [wh]en they obserue that the zeale of your Maiestie towards the house of God, doth not slacke or goe backe[wa]rd, but is more and more kindled, manifesting it selfe abroad in the furthest parts of Christendome by [wr]iting in defence of the Trueth, (which hath giuen such a blow vnto that man of Sinne, as will not bee [hea]led) and euery day at home, by Religious and learned discourse, by frequenting the house of God, by [hea]ring the word preached, by cherishing the teachers thereof, by caring for the Church as a most tender [an]d louing nurcing Father.

There are infinite arguments of this right Christian and Religious affection in your Maiestie: but none [is] more forcible to declare it to others, then the vehement and perpetuated desire of the accomplishing & [pu]blishing of this Worke, which now with all humility wee present vnto your Maiestie. For when [yo]ur Highnesse had once out of deepe Iudgement apprehended, how conuenient it was, That out of the [Ori]ginall sacred tongues, together with comparing of the Labours, both in our owne and other forreigne [La]nguages, of many worthy men who went before vs, there should be one more exact Translation of the [ho]ly Scriptures into the English tongue; your Maiestie did neuer desist, to vrge and to excite those to [w]hom it was commended, that the worke might be hastened, and that the businesse might be expedited in [so] decent a maner, as a matter of such importance might iustly require.

And now at last, by the mercy of God and the continuance of our Labours, it being brought vnto such [a c]onclusion, as that we haue great hope that the Church of England shall reape good fruit thereby; wee [hol]d it our duety to offer it to your Maiestie, not only as to our King and Soueraigne, but as to the princi[pa]ll moouer and Authour of the Worke. Humbly crauing of your most sacred Maiestie, that since things [of] this qualitie haue euer beene subiect to the censures of ill meaning and discontented persons, it may re[ce]iue approbation and Patronage from so learned and iudicious a Prince, as your Highnesse is, whose al[lo]wance and acceptance of our Labours, shall more honour and encourage vs, then all the calumniations [an]d hard interpretations of other men shall dismay vs. So that, if on the one side we shall be traduced by [P]opish persons at home or abroad, who therefore will maligne vs, because we are poore instruments to [ma]ke Gods holy Trueth to be yet more and more knowen vnto the people, whom they desire still to keepe in [ig]norance and darkenesse: or if on the other side we shall be maligned by selfe conceited brethren, who [ru]nne their owne wayes, and giue liking vnto nothing but what is framed by themselues, and hamme[re]d on their Anuile; we may rest secure, supported within by the trueth and innocency of a good consci[en]ce, hauing walked the wayes of simplicitie and integritie, as before the Lord; And susteined without, [by] the powerfull protection of your Maiesties grace and fauour, which will euer giue countenance to ho[ne]st and Christian endeauours, against bitter censures and vncharitable imputations.

The Lord of heauen and earth blesse your Maiestie with many and happie dayes, that as his heauenly [ha]nd hath enriched your Highnesse with many singular, and extraordinary graces; so you may bee the [wo]nder of the world in this latter age, for happinesse and true felicitie, to the honour of that great GOD, [an]d the good of his Church, through Iesus Christ our Lord and onely Sauiour.

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¶ THE NAMES AND ORDER OF ALL THE Bookes of the old and New Testament, with the number of their Chapters.

Genesis hath Chapters	50	The Proverbes hath Chapters	31
Exodus	40	Ecclesiastes	12
Leuiticus	27	The Song of Solomon	8
Numbers	36	Isaiah	66
Deuteronomie	34	Ieremiah	52
Ioshua	24	Lamentations	5
Iudges	21	Ezekiel	48
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1 Samuel	31	Hosea	14
2 Samuel	24	Ioel	3
1 Kings	22	Amos	9
2 Kings	25	Obadiah	
1 Chronicles	29	Ionah	
2 Chronicles	36	Micah	
Ezra	10	Nahum	7
Nehemiah	13	Habakkuk	3
Hester	10	Zephaniah	
Iob	42	Haggai	3
Psalmes	150	Zechariah 14 Malachi	4

¶ THE BOOKES CALLED APOCRYPHA.

1. Esdras hath Chapters	9	Baruch with the Epistle of Ieremiah	6
2. Esdras	16	The song of the three children	
Tobit	14	The story of Susanna	
Iudeth	16	The idole Bel and the Dragon.	
The rest of Esther	6	The prayer of Manasseh	
Wisedome	19	1. Maccabees	16
Ecclesiasticus	51	2. Maccabees	15

¶ THE BOOKES OF THE NEW TESTAMENT.

Matthew hath Chapters	28	2. Thessalonians hath Chapters	3
Marke	16	1 Timotheus	6
Luke	24	2. Timotheus	4
Iohn	21	Titus	3
The Acts	28	Philemon	1
The Epistle to the Romanes	16	To the Hebrewes	13
1. Corinthians	16	The Epistle of Iames	5
2. Corinthians	13	1. Peter	5
Galatians	6	2. Peter	3
Ephesians	6	1. Iohn	5
Philippians	4	2. Iohn	1
Colossians	4	3. Iohn	1
1. Thessalonians	5	Iude	1
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THE FIRST BOOKE OF MOSES, called GENESIS.

CHAP. I.

The Creation of heauen and earth, 3 Of the light, 6 of the firmament, 9 of the earth separated from the waters, 11 and made fruitfull, 14 of the Sunne, Moone, and Starres, 20 of fish and foule, 24 of beasts and cattell, 26 of man in the image of God: 29 Also the appointment of food.

IN * the beginning God created the heauen, and the earth.

2 And the earth was without forme, and voide, and darkenesse *was* vpon the face of the deepe: and the Spirit of God mooued vpon the face of the waters.

3 And God said, * Let there be light: and there was light.

4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God diuided † the light from the darkenesse.

5 And God called the light, Day, and the darkenesse hee called, Night: † and the euening and the morning were the first day.

6 ¶ And God said, * Let there be a † firmament in the midst of the waters: and let it diuide the waters from the waters.

7 And God made the firmament, and diuided the waters, which *were* vnder the firmament, from the waters which *were* aboue the firmament: and it was so.

8 And God called the * firmament, Heauen: and the euening and the morning were the second day.

9 ¶ And God said, * Let the waters vnder the heauen bee gathered together vnto one place, and let the dry land appeare: and it was so.

10 And God called the dry land, Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called hee, Seas: and God saw that *it was* good.

11 And God said, Let the earth bring foorth grasse, the herbe yeelding seed, *and* the fruit tree yeelding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in it selfe, vpon the earth: and it was so.

12 And the earth brought foorth grasse, *and* herbe yeelding seed after his kinde, and the tree yeelding fruit, whose seed *was* in it selfe, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

13 And the euening and the morning were the third day.

14 ¶ And God said, Let there be * lights in the firmament of the heauen, to diuide † the day from the night: and let them be for signes, and for seasons, and for dayes and yeeres.

15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heauen, to giue light vpon † earth: & it was so.

16 And God made two great lights: the greater light † to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the starres also.

17 And God set them in the firmament of the heauen, to giue light vpon the earth:

18 And to * rule ouer the day and ouer the night, and to diuide the light from the darkenesse: and God saw that *it was* good.

19 And the euening and the morning were the fourth day.

20 And God said, * Let the waters bring foorth abundantly the ‖ mooning creature, that hath † life, and foule *that* may flie aboue the earth in the † open firmament of heauen.

21 And God created great whales, and euery liuing creature that mooueth, which the waters brought forth abundantly after their kind, and euery winged foule after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

22 And God blessed them, saying, * Be fruitfull and multiply, and fill the waters in the Seas, and let foule multiply in the earth.

23 And the euening and the morning were the fift day.

24 ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring foorth the liuing creature after his kind, cattell, and creeping thing, & beast of † earth after his kinde: & it was so.

25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattell after their kind, and euery thing that creepeth vpon the earth, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

26 ¶ And God said, * Let vs make man in our Image, after our likenes: and let them haue dominion ouer the fish of the sea, and ouer the foule of the aire, & ouer the cattell, and ouer all † earth, & ouer euery creeping thing that creepeth vpon the earth.

27 So God created man in his own Image, in the Image of God created hee him, * male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said vnto them, * Be fruitfull, and multiply, and replenish the earth,

earth, and subdue it, and haue dominion ouer the fish of the sea, and ouer the foule of the aire, and ouer euery liuing thing that † moueth vpon the earth.

29 ¶ And God said, Behold, I haue giuen you euery herbe bearing seed, which is vpon the face of all the earth, and euery tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yeelding seed, * to you it shall be for meate:

30 And to euery beast of the earth, and to euery foule of the aire, and to euery thing that creepeth vpon the earth, wherein there is † life, I haue giuen euery greene herbe for meate: and it was so.

31 And * God saw euery thing that he had made: and behold, it was very good, and the euening and the morning were the first day.

CHAP. II.

1 *The first Sabbath.* 4 *The maner of the creation.* 8 *The planting of the garden of Eden,* 10 *and the riuers thereof.* 17 *The tree of knowledge only forbidden.* 19 *The naming of the creatures.* 21 *The making of woman, and institution of mariage.*

THus the heauens and the earth were finished, and all the hoste of them.

2 * And on the seuenth day God ended his worke which he had made; And he rested on the seuenth day from all his worke, which he had made.

3 And God blessed the seuenth day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his worke, which God † created and made.

4 ¶ These are the generations of the heauens, and of the earth, when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth, and the heauens,

5 And euery plant of the field, before it was in the earth, and euery herbe of the field, before it grew, for the LORD God had not caused it to rain vpon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground.

6 ‖ But there went vp a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

7 And the LORD God formed man † * of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and * man became a liuing soule.

8 ¶ And the LORD God planted a garden Eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow euery tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food: the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and euill.

10 And a riuer went out of Eden to water the garden, and from thence it was parted, and became into foure heads.

11 The name of the first *is* * Pison: that *is* it which compasseth the whole land of Hauilah, where *there is* gold.

12 And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* Bdellium, and the Onix stone.

13 And the name of the second riuer *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole land of † Ethiopia.

14 And the name of the third riuer *is* Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth toward the East of Assyria: and the fourth riuer is Euphrates.

15 And the LORD God tooke ‖ the man, and put him into the garden of Eden, to dresse it, and to keepe it.

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of euery tree of the garden thou mayest † freely eat.

17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and euill, thou shalt not eate of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof, thou shalt † surely die.

18 ¶ And the LORD God said, It *is* not good that the man should bee alone: I will make him * an helpe † meet for him.

19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed euery beast of the field, and euery foule of the aire, and brought *them* vnto Adam, to see what he would call them: and whatsoeuer Adam called euery liuing creature, that *was* the name thereof.

20 And Adam † gaue names to all cattell, and to the foule of the aire, and to euery beast of the field: but for Adam there was not found an helpe meet for him.

21 And the LORD God caused a deepe sleepe to fall vpon Adam, and he slept: and he tooke one of his ribs, and closed vp the flesh in stead thereof.

22 And the rib which the LORD God had taken from man, † made hee a woman, and brought her vnto the man.

23 And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: shee shall bee called woman, because shee was * taken out of man.

24 * Therefore shall a man leaue his father, and his mother, and shall cleaue vnto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

CHAP. III.

1 *The Serpent deceiueth Eue.* 6 *Man sinneth and fall.* 9 *God arraigneth them.* 14 *The Serpent is cursed.* 15 *The promised seed.* 16 *The punishment of mankinde:* 21 *Their first clothing.* 22 *Their casting out of Paradise.*

NOw the Serpent was more subtill then any beast of the field which the LORD God had made, and he said vnto the woman, † Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of euery tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said vnto the Serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

4 And the Serpent said vnto the woman, Ye shall not * surely die

5 For God doeth know, that in the day ye eate thereof, then your eyes shall be opened: and ye shall be as Gods, knowing good and euill.

6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* † pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she tooke of the fruit thereof, * and did eat, and gaue also vnto her husband with her, and he did eat.

7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked: and they sewed fig leaues together, and made themselues ‖ aprons.

8 And they heard the voyce of the LORD God walking in the garden in the coole of the day: and Adam & his wife hid themselues from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

9 And the LORD God called vnto Adam, and said vnto him, Where *art* thou?

10 And he said, I heard thy voyce in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked, and I hid me.

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree whereof I commanded thee, that thou shouldest not eat?

12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gauest *to be* with me, she gaue me of the tree, and I did eat.

13 And the LORD God said vnto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The Serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

14 And

† *Hebr.* creepeth.
† *Hebr.* seeding seed
* Chap. 3 3.
† *Hebr.* a liuing soule.
* Eccles. 29.16.
* Exod. 20.11. & 31.17. deut 5.14. Heb 4.4.
† *Hebr.* created. to make.
Or, earth which went vp from &c
The dust of the ground.
* 1. Cor. 15.47.
* Or, soule. 25.45.
* Eccles. 24 29.
† *Hebr.* Cush.
‖ Or East-ward to Assyria.
‖ Or, Adam.
† *Hebr.* eating thou shalt eat.
† Heb. dying thou shalt die.

14 And the LORD God said vnto the Serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed aboue all cattell, and aboue euery beast of the field: vpon thy belly shalt thou goe, and dust shalt thou eate all the dayes of thy life.

15 And I will put enmity betweene thee and the woman, and betweene thy seed & her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

16 Vnto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception: in sorrow thou shalt bring forth child, and thy desire *shall be* † to thy husband, and he shall * rule ouer thee.

17 And vnto Adam hee said, Because thou hast hearkened vnto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground for thy sake: in sorrow shalt thou eate of it all the dayes of thy life.

18 Thornes also & thistles shall it † bring forth to thee: and thou shalt eat the herbe of the field.

19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eate bread, till thou returne vnto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and vnto dust shalt thou returne.

20 And Adam called his wiues name † Eue, because she was the mother of all liuing.

21 Vnto Adam also, and to his wife, did the LORD God make coates of skinnes, and cloathed them.

22 ¶ And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of vs to know good and euill. And now lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eate, and liue for euer:

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground, from whence he was taken.

24 So he drone out the man: and he placed at the East of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword, which turned euery way, to keepe the way of the tree of life.

CHAP. IIII.

† The birth, trade, and Religion of Cain and Abel. 8 The murder of Abel. 9 The curse of Cain. 17 Enoch the first city. 19 Lamech and his two wiues. 25 The birth of Seth, 26 and Enos.

AND Adam knew Eue his wife: and she conceiued, and bare Cain, and said, I haue gotten a man from the LORD.

2 And she againe bare his brother † Abel, and Abel was a † keeper of sheepe, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

3 And in processe of time it came to passe, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground, an offering vnto the LORD.

4 And Abel he also brought of the firstlings of his † flocke, and of the fat thereof: and the LORD had * respect vnto Abel, and to his offering:

5 But vnto Cain, and to his offering, he had not respect: and Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

6 And the LORD said vnto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

7 If thou doe well, shalt thou not ‖ be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sinne lieth at the doore: And vnto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule ouer him.

8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to passe, * when they were in the field, that Cain rose vp against Abel his brother, & slew him.

9 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brothers keeper?

10 And he said, what hast thou done? the voyce of thy brothers † blood cryeth vnto mee from the ground. † Hebr. bloods,

11 And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receiue thy brothers blood from thy hand.

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yeeld vnto thee her strength: a fugitiue and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

13 And Cain said vnto the LORD, ‖ My punishment *is* greater then I can beare. Or, my iniquity is greater, then that it may be forgiuen.

14 Behold, thou hast driuen me out this day from the face of the earth, and from thy face shall I be hid, and I shall be a fugitiue and a vagabond in the earth: and it shall come to passe, *that* euery one that findeth me, shall slay me.

15 And the LORD said vnto him, Therefore whosoeuer slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him seuen fold. And the LORD set a marke vpon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

16 ¶ And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the East of Eden.

17 And Cain knew his wife: & she conceiued and bare † Enoch, and he builded a city, and called the name of the city after the name of his son Enoch. † Hebr. Chanoch.

18 And vnto Enoch was borne Irad: and Irad begate Mehuiael, and Mehuiael begate Methusael, and Methusael begate † Lamech. † Hebr. Lemech,

19 ¶ And Lamech tooke vnto him two wiues: the Name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.

20 And Adah bare Iabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and of such *as haue* cattell. † Hebr. possessers, Or, ‖ master.

21 And his brothers name was Iubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harpe and organe. Or, ‖ mouth.

22 And Zillah she also bare Tubal Cain, an † instructer of euery artificer in brasse and yron: and the sister of Tubal Cain *was* Naamah. Or, slay a man in my wounding, &c. Or, in my hurt.

23 And Lamech said vnto his wiues, Adah, and Zillah, Heare my voyce ye wiues of Lamech, hearken vnto my speech: for I haue slaine a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt.

24 If Cain shall be auenged seuen fold, truely Lamech seuenty and seuen fold † Hebr. Sheth.

25 ¶ And Adam knew his wife againe; and she bare a sonne, and called his Name † Seth: for God, *said she*, hath appointed mee another seed in stead of Abel, whom Cain slew. † Hebr. Enoch. Or, to call themselues by the name of the LORD.

26 And to Seth, to him also there was borne a sonne, and he called his name † Enos: then began men to ‖ call vpon the Name of the LORD.

CHAP. V.

1 The genealogie, age and death of the Patriarchs from Adam vnto Noah. 24 The godlinesse and translation of Enoch.

THIS is the * booke of the generations of Adam: in the day that God created man, in the likenesse of God made he him. * 1. Chro. 1. 1.

2 * Male and female created he them, and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created. * Wisd. 2. 23.

3 ¶ And Adam liued an hundred and thirty yeeres, and begate *a sonne* in his owne likenesse, after his image, and called his name Seth.

4 * And the dayes of Adam, after he had begotten Seth, were eight hundred yeeres: and he begat sonnes and daughters. * 1. Chro. 1. 1. &c.

5 And all the dayes that Adam liued, were nine hundred and thirty yeares: and he died.

6 And Seth liued an hundred and fiue yeeres: and begate † Enos. † Hebr. Enosh.

7 And Seth lived after hee begate Enos, eight hundred and seuen yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

8 And all the dayes of Seth were nine hundred and twelue yeeres, and he dyed.

9 ¶ And Enos lived ninety yeeres, and begate †Cainan.

† Hebr. Kenan.

10 And Enos lived after he begate Cainan, eight hundred and fifteene yeeres, and begat sonnes and daughters.

11 And all the dayes of Enos, were nine hundred and fiue yeeres, and he died.

12 ¶ And Cainan lived seuenty yeeres, and begate †Mahalaleel.

† Greeke. Maleleel

13 And Cainan lived after hee begate Mahalaleel, eight hundred and fourty yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

14 And all the daies of Cainan, were nine hundred and ten yeeres, and he died.

15 ¶ And Mahalaleel lived sixtie and fiue yeeres, and begate †Ired.

† Hebr. Iared.

16 And Mahalaleel lived after he begate Iared, eight hundred and thirty yeeres, and begate sons and daughters.

17 And all the daies of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninetie and fiue yeeres, and he died.

18 ¶ And Iared lived an hundred sixty and two yeeres, and he begate Enoch.

19 And Iared lived after he begate Enoch, eight hundred yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

20 And all the dayes of Iared were nine hundred sixtie and two yeeres, and he dyed.

21 ¶ And Enoch lived sixty and fiue yeeres, and begate †Methuselah.

† Greeke. Mathusala.

22 And Enoch walked with God after he begate Methuselah three hundred yeeres, and begate sons and daughters.

23 And all the dayes of Enoch were three hundred sixty and fiue yeeres.

24 And * Enoch walked with God, and hee was not, for God tooke him.

* Ecclus 44. 16. Heb. 11. 5.

25 And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seuen yeeres, and begate Lamech.

26 And Methuselah lived after hee begat †Lamech, seuen hundred eighty and two yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

† Hebr. Lamech.

27 And all the dayes of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine yeeres, and he dyed.

28 ¶ And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two yeeres, and begate a sonne.

29 And he called his name ‖ Noah, saying, This same shall comfort vs, concerning our worke and toile of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

‖ Greeke, Noe.

30 And Lamech lived after he begate Noah, fiue hundred ninety and fiue yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

31 And all the daies of Lamech were seuen hundred seuenty and seuen yeeres, and he dyed.

32 And Noah was fiue hundred yeeres old: and Noah begat Sem, Ham, and Iapheth.

CHAP. VI.

1 *The wickednesse of the world, which prouoked Gods wrath, and caused the flood.* 8 *Noah findeth grace.* 13 *The order, forme, and end of the Arke.*

AND it came to passe, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were borne vnto them:

2 That the sonnes of God saw the daughters of men, that they were faire, and they tooke them wiues of all which they chose.

3 And the LORD said, My Spirit shall not alwayes striue with man, for that he also is flesh, yet his dayes shall be an hundred and twenty yeeres.

4 There were giants in the earth in those dayes: and also after that, when the sonnes of God came in vnto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mightie men, which were of old men of renowne.

5 ¶ And God saw that the wickednesse of man was great in the earth, and ‖ that euery imagination of the thoughts of his * heart was onely euill † continually.

6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieued him at his heart.

7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I haue created, from the face of the earth, † both man and beast, and the creeping thing, and the foules of the aire: for it repenteth me that I haue made them.

8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

9 ¶ These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a iust man, and ‖ perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

10 And Noah begate three sonnes: Sem, Ham, and Iapheth.

11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

12 And God looke vpon the earth, and behold, it was corrupt: for all flesh had corrupted his way vpon the earth.

13 And God said vnto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me: for the earth is filled with violence through them: and behold, I will destroy them ‖ with the earth.

14 ¶ Make thee an Arke of Gopher wood: † roomes shalt thou make in the Arke, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

15 And this is the *fashion* which thou shalt make it of, the length of the Arke *shall be* three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

16 A window shalt thou make to the Arke, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it aboue, & the doore of the Arke shalt thou set in the side thereof: With lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.

17 And behold, I, euen I doe bring a flood of waters vpon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from vnder heauen, *and* euery thing that is in the earth, shall die.

18 But with thee will I establish my Couenant: and thou shalt come into the Arke, thou and thy sonnes, and thy wife, & thy sonnes wiues with thee.

19 And of euery liuing thing of all flesh, two of euery *sort* shalt thou bring into the Arke to keepe *them* aliue with thee: they shalbe male & female.

20 Of foules after their kind, and of cattell after their kind: of euery creeping thing of the earth after his kind: two of euery *sort* shall come vnto thee, to keepe *them* aliue.

21 And take thou vnto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather *it* to thee, and it shall be for food for thee, and for them.

22 * Thus did Noah: according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

* Heb. 11. 7.

CHAP. VII.

1 *Noah with his family and the liuing creatures, enter into the Arke.* 17 *The beginning, increase, and continuance of the Flood.*

AND the * LORD said vnto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the Arke: for thee haue I seene righteous before me in this generation.

* Ezek. 14. 14.

2 Of euery cleane beast thou shalt take to thee † by seuens, the male and his female: and of beasts that

are not cleane, by two, the male & his female.
Of foules also of the ayre by seuens, the male
the female; to keepe seed alme vpon the face
all the earth.
For yet seuen dayes, and I will cause it to
ne vpon the earth forty dayes, and forty nights:
every liuing substance that I haue made, will I
destroy from off the face of the earth.
And Noah did according to all that the
RD commanded him.
And Noah was sixe hundred yeeres old when
flood of waters was vpon the earth.
¶ And Noah went in, and his sonnes, and his
fe, and his sons wiues with him into the Arke,
cause of the waters of the flood.
Of cleane beasts, and of beasts that are not
eane, and of foules, and of euery thing that creep-
th vpon the earth,
There went in two and two vnto Noah into
e Arke, the male and the female, as God had
mmanded Noah.
And it came to passe ‖ after seuen dayes, that
e waters of the flood were vpon the earth.
¶ In the sixe hundred yeere of Noahs life, in
e second moneth, the seuenteenth day of the mo-
th, the same day were all the fountaines of the
eat deepe broken vp, and the ‖ windowes of hea-
n were opened.
And the raine was vpon the earth fourtie
yes, and fourty nights.
In the selfe same day entred Noah, and Sem,
d Ham, and Japheth, the sonnes of Noah, and
ahs wife, and the three wiues of his sons with
em into the Arke,
They, and euery beast after his kind, & all the
ttell after their kind: and euery creeping thing
at creepeth vpon the earth after his kind, & eue-
foule after his kind, euery bird of euery † sort.
And they went in vnto Noah into the Arke,
o & two of al flesh, wherin is the breath of life.
And they that went in, went in male and fe-
ale of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and
e LORD shut him in.
And the flood was fourtie dayes vpon the
rth, and the waters increased and bare vp the
rke, and it was lift vp aboue the earth.
And the waters preuailed, and were increa-
d greatly vpon the earth: and the Arke went
on the face of the waters.
And the waters preuailed exceedingly vpon
e earth, and all the high hils that *were* vnder
e whole heauen, were couered.
Fifteene cubites vpward did the waters pre-
ile: and the mountaines were couered.
* And all flesh died that mooued vpon the
rth, both of foule, and of cattell, and of beast,
d of euery creeping thing that creepeth vpon
e earth, and euery man.
All in whose nostrils *was* † the breath of life,
f all that was in the dry land, died.
And euery liuing substance was destroyed,
hich was vpon the face of the ground, both man
d cattell, and the creeping things, and the foule
f the heauen: and they were destroyed from the
rth: and * Noah onely remained aliue, and they
at *were* with him in the Arke.
And the waters preuailed vpon the earth, an
ndred and fifty dayes.

CHAP. VIII.

The waters asswage. 4 The Arke resteth on Ararat. 7 The Rauen and the Doue. 15 Noah be-ing commanded, 18 goeth forth of the Arke, 20 Hee buildeth an Altar, and offereth sacrifice, 21 which God accepteth, and promiseth to cursse the earth no more.

AND God remembred Noah, and euery liuing thing, and all the cattell that *was* with him in the Arke: and God made a winde to passe ouer the earth, and the waters asswaged.
The fountaines also of the deepe, and the windowes of heauen were stopped, and the raine from heauen was restrained.
And the waters returned from off the earth † continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty dayes, the waters were abated.
And the Arke rested in the seuenth moneth, on the seuenteenth day of the moneth, vpon the mountaines of Ararat.
And the waters † decreased continually vntill the tenth moneth: in the tenth moneth, on the first *day* of the moneth, were the tops of the mountaines seene.
¶ And it came to passe at the end of fourty dayes, that Noah opened the window of the Arke which he had made.
And he sent forth a Rauen, which went forth † to and fro, vntill the waters were dried vp from off the earth.
Also he sent forth a doue from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground.
But the doue found no rest for the sole of her foot, and shee returned vnto him into the Arke: for the waters *were* vpon the face of the whole earth. Then he put forth his hand, and tooke her, and † pulled her in vnto him into the Arke.
And hee stayed yet other seuen dayes: and againe he sent forth the doue out of the Arke.
And the doue came in to him in the euening, and loe, in her mouth *was* an olme leafe pluckt off: So Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.
And he stayed yet other seuen dayes, and sent forth the doue, which returned not againe vnto him any more.
¶ And it came to passe in the sixe hundredth and one yeere, in the first *moneth*, the first *day* of the moneth, the waters were dryed vp from off the earth: and Noah removed the couering of the Arke, and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry.
And in the second moneth, on the seuen and twentieth day of the moneth was the earth dryed.
¶ And God spake vnto Noah, saying,
Goe forth of the Arke, thou and thy wife, and thy sonnes and thy sonnes wiues with thee:
Bring forth with thee euery liuing thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of foule, & of cattell, and of euery creeping thing that creepeth vpon the earth, that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitfull, and multiply vpon the earth.
And Noah went forth, and his sonnes, and his wife, and his sonnes wiues with him:
Euery beast, euery creeping thing, and euery foule, and whatsoeuer creepeth vpon the earth, after their † kindes, went forth out of the Arke.
¶ And Noah builded an Altar vnto the LORD, and tooke of euery cleane beast, and of euery cleane foule, and offered burnt offerings on the Altar.
And the LORD smelled a † sweet sauour, and the LORD said in his heart: I will not againe curse the ground any more for mans sake; for the * imagination of mans heart *is* euill from his youth: neither will I againe smite any more euery thing liuing, as I haue done.

† Heb. in going and returning

† Heb. were in going and decreasing.

† Heb. in going forth and returning

† Heb. caused her to come.

† Heb. families.

† Heb. a sauour of rest.

* Chap. 6.5. mat. 15.19.

† While

† Hebr. as yet all the dayes of the earth.

22 † While the earth remaineth, seed time, and harueſt, and cold and heat, and Summer and Winter, and day and night, ſhall not ceaſe.

CHAP. IX.

1 *God bleſſeth Noah.* 4 *Blood and murder are forbidden.* 9 *Gods couenant,* 13 *ſignified by the Rainbow.* 18 *Noah repleniſheth the world,* 20 *planteth a vineyard* 21 *is drunken, and mocked of his ſonne:* 25 *curſeth Canaan.* 26 *bleſſeth Shem, prayeth for Iaphet,* 28 *and dyeth.*

Luke 5. 21. 30. 6 to 20. Deut. 11. 17. * Chap. 1. 28. and 8. 17.

AND God bleſſed Noah and his ſons, and ſaid vnto them, * Bee fruitfull and multiply and repleniſh the earth.

Lam. 3. 17. 9. 10. 28. 22.

2 And the feare of you, and the dread of you ſhal be vpon euery beaſt of the earth, and vpon euery foule of the aire, vpon all that mooueth vpon the earth, and vpon all the fiſhes of the ſea; into your hand are they deliuered.

3 Euery moouing thing that liueth, ſhall be meat for you; euen as the * greene herbe haue I giuen you all things.

* Chap. 1. 29. * Leuit. 17. 14.

4 * But fleſh with the life thereof, *which is* the bloud thereof, ſhall you not eate.

5 And ſurely your bloud of your liues will I require: at the hand of euery beaſt will I require it, and at the hand of man, at the hand of euery mans brother will I require the life of man.

* Matth. 26. 52. Reuel 13. 10. * Chap. 1. 27.

6 * Whoſo ſheddeth mans bloud, by man ſhall his bloud be ſhed: * for in the image of God made he man.

7 And you, be ye fruitfull and multiply, bring forth abundantly in the earth, & multiply therein.

8 ¶ And God ſpake vnto Noah, and to his ſons with him, ſaying,

9 And I, behold, I eſtabliſh my Couenant with you, and with your ſeed after you:

10 And with euery liuing creature that *is* with you, of the foule, of the cattell, and of euery beaſt of the earth with you, from all that goe out of the Arke, to euery beaſt of the earth.

* Iſaiah 54. 9.

11 And * I will eſtabliſh my Couenant with you, neither ſhall all fleſh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood, neither ſhall there any more be a flood to deſtroy the earth.

12 And God ſaid, This is the token of the Couenant which I make betweene me and you, and euery liuing creature that is with you, for perpetuall generations.

Hab. 3. 9.

13 I doe ſet my Bow in the cloud, & it ſhalbe for a token of a Couenant betweene me and the earth.

* Eccles. 43. 11, 12.

14 * And it ſhall come to paſſe, when I bring a cloud ouer the earth, that the Bow ſhall bee ſeene in the cloud.

2 Pet. 3. 5. 6. 13.

15 And I will remember my Couenant which is betweene me and you, and euery liuing creature of all fleſh; and the waters ſhall no more become a flood to deſtroy all fleſh.

16 And the Bow ſhall be in the cloud; and I will looke vpon it, that I may remember the euerlaſting Couenant betweene God, and euery liuing creature of all fleſh that *is* vpon the earth.

17 And God ſaid vnto Noah, This *is* the token of the Couenant, which I haue eſtabliſhed betweene me and all fleſh that *is* vpon the earth.

18 ¶ And the ſonnes of Noah that went foorth of the Arke, were Shem, and Ham, and Iaphet; and Ham is the father of † Canaan.

† Hebr. Chenaan.

19 Theſe *are* the three ſonnes of Noah: and of them was the whole earth ouerſpread.

20 And Noah began *to be* an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard.

21 And he dranke of the wine, and was drunken, and he was vncouered within his tent.

22 And Ham the father of Canaan ſaw the nakedneſſe of his father, & told his two brethren without.

23 And Shem and Iaphet tooke a garment, and laid *it* vpon both their ſhoulders, and went backward, and couered the nakedneſſe of their father; and their faces *were* backeward, and they ſaw not their fathers nakednеſſe.

24 And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his yonger ſonne had done vnto him.

25 And he ſaid, Curſed *be* Canaan: a ſeruant of ſeruants ſhall he be vnto his brethren.

26 And he ſaid, Bleſſed *be* the LORD God of Shem, and Canaan ſhall be his ſeruant.

27 God ſhall ‖ enlarge Iaphet, and he ſhall dwell in the tents of Shem, & Canaan ſhal be his ſeruant.

28 ¶ And Noah liued after the flood, three hundred and fifty yeeres.

29 And all the dayes of Noah were nine hundred and fifty yeeres, and he died.

CHAP. X.

1 *The generations of Noah.* 2 *The ſonnes of Iaphet.* 6 *The ſonnes of Ham.* 8 *Nimrod the firſt Monarch.* 21 *The ſonnes of Shem.*

NOw theſe *are* the generations of the ſonnes of Noah; Shem, Ham, and Iaphet: and vnto them were ſonnes borne after the Flood.

2 The ſonnes of Iaphet: Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Iauan, & Tubal, & Meſhech, and Tiras.

3 And the ſonnes of Gomer: Aſhkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

4 And the ſons of Iauan: Eliſhah, and Tarſhiſh, Kittim, and Dodanim.

5 By theſe were the Iſles of the Gentiles diuided in their Lands, euery one after his tongue, after their families in their nations.

6 ¶ * And the ſonnes of Ham: Cuſh, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan.

7 And the ſons of Cuſh: Seba, and Hauilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtechah: and the ſons of Raamah: Sheba, and Dedan.

8 And Cuſh begate Nimrod; hee began to be mighty one in the earth.

9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is ſaid, euen as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

10 And the beginning of his kingdome was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.

11 Out of that land ‖ went foorth Aſſhur, and builded Nineueh, and the ‖ city Rehoboth, and Calah,

12 And Reſen betweene Nineueh, and Calah: the ſame is a great city.

13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

14 And Pathruſim, and Caſluhim, (out of whom came Philiſtim) and Caphtorim.

15 ¶ And Canaan begat † Sidon his firſt borne, and Heth,

16 And the Iebuſite, and the Emorite, and the Girgaſite,

17 And the Hiuite, and the Arkite, & the Sinite,

18 And the Arudite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites ſpread abroad.

19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou commeſt to Gerar, vnto † Gaza, as thou goeſt vnto Sodoma, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, euen vnto Laſha.

20 Theſe *are* the ſons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, and in their nations.

21 ¶ [illegible]

¶ Vnto Shem also the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Iaphet the elder, vnto him were children borne.

The * children of Shem: Elam, and Ashur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.

And the children of Aram, Vz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.

And Arphaxad begate † Salah, and Salah begate Eber.

* And vnto Eber were borne two sonnes: the name of one was Peleg, for in his dayes was the earth diuided, and his brothers name was Ioktan.

And Ioktan begate Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaueth, and Ierah,

And Hadoram, and Vzal, and Diklah,

And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

And Ophir, and Hauilah, and Iobab: all these were the sonnes of Ioktan.

And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest vnto Sephar, a mount of the East.

These are the sonnes of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations.

These are the families of the sonnes of Noah after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations diuided in the earth after the flood.

CHAP XI.

1 *One lan guage in the world.* 3 *The building of* 5 *The confusion of tongues.* 10 *The genera-* *tions of Shem.* 27 *The generations of Terah the fa-* *ther of Abram.* 31 *Terah moueth from Vr to Haran.*

AND the * whole earth was of one † language, and of one † speech.

And it came to passe as they iourneyed from the East, that they found a plaine in the land of Shinar, and they dwelt there.

And † they said one to another; Goe to, let vs make bricke, and † burne them thoroughly. And they had bricke for stone, and slime had they for mortar.

And they said, Goe to, let vs build vs a city and a tower, whose top may *reach* vnto heauen, and let vs make vs a name, lest we be scattered abroad vpon the face of the whole earth.

And the LORD came downe to see the citie, and the tower which the children of men builded.

And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they *haue* all one language: and this they begin to doe: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they haue imagined to doe.

Goe to, let vs goe downe, and there confound their language, that they may not vnderstand one another speech.

So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence vpon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city:

Therefore is the name of it called ‖ Babel, because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad vpon the face of all the earth.

¶ These are the generations of Shem: Shem was an hundred yeeres old, and begate Arphaxad, two yeeres after the flood.

And Shem liued after he begate Arphaxad fiue hundred yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

And Arphaxad liued fiue and thirty yeeres, and begate Salah.

And Arphaxad liued after he begate Salah, three hundred and three yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

And Salah liued thirtie yeeres, & begat Eber.

And Salah liued after he begate Eber, foure hundred and three yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

And Eber liued foure and thirty yeeres, and * begate * Peleg. * 1. Chro. 1. 19.

And Eber liued after he begate Peleg, foure hundred and thirty yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. * Called, Luk. 3. 35. Phalec.

And Peleg liued thirty yeres, and begate Reu.

And Peleg liued after hee begate Reu, two hundred and nine yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

And Reu liued two and thirty yeeres, and begate * Serug. * Luke

And Reu liued after he begate Serug, two hundred and seuen yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. 3. 35. Baruch.

And Serug liued thirty yeres, & begat Nahor.

And Serug liued after he begate Nahor, two hundred yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters.

And Nahor liued nine and twenty yeeres, and begate * Terah. * Luke

And Nahor liued after he begate Terah, an hundred and nineteene yeeres, and begate sons and daughters. 3. 34. Thara.

And Terah liued seuenty yeeres, and * begate Abram, Nahor, and Haran. * Iosh. 24. 2.

¶ Now these are the generations of Terah: Terah begate Abram, Nahor, and Haran: and Haran begate Lot. 1. Chro. 1. 26.

And Haran died before his father Terah, in the land of his nativity, in Vr of the Caldees.

And Abram and Nahor tooke them wiues: the name of Abrams wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahors wife Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.

But Sarai was barren, she *had* no childe.

And Terah tooke Abram his sonne, and Lot the sonne of Haran his sonnes sonne, and Sarai his daughter in law, his sonne Abrams wife, and they went forth with them from * Vr of the Caldees, to goe into the land of Canaan: and they came vnto Haran, and dwelt there. * Neh. 9. 7 Iudit. 5. 7 Acts 7. 4.

And the dayes of Terah were two hundred and fiue yeeres: and Terah died in Haran.

CHAP. XII.

1 *God calleth Abram, and blesseth him with a promise of Christ.* 4 *Hee departeth with Lot from Haran.* 6 *He iourneyeth thorow Canaan,* 7 *where is promised him in a vision.* 10 *Hee is driuen by a famine into Egypt.* 11 *Feareth him saine his wife to be his sister.* 14 *Pharaoh hauing taken her from him by plagues, is compelled to restore her.*

NOw the * LORD had said vnto Abram, Get thee out of thy countrey, and from thy kinred, and from thy fathers house, vnto a land that I will shew thee. * Acts 7. 3.

And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will blesse thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing.

And I will blesse them that blesse thee, and curse him that curseth thee: And in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. * Chap. 18. 18. & 22. 18. & 26. 4. Act. 3. 25. gal. 3. 8.

So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken vnto him, and Lot went with him: And Abram was seuenty and fiue yeeres old, when he departed out of Haran.

And Abram tooke Sarai his wife, and Lot his brothers son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the soules that they had gotten in Haran, and they went forth to goe into the land of Canaan: and into the land of Canaan they came.

¶ And

6 ¶ And Abram passed thorow the land, vnto the place of Sichem, vnto the plaine of Moreh. And the Canaanite *was* then in the land.

7 And the LORD appeared vnto Abram, and said, * Vnto thy seed will I giue this land: and there builded he an * Altar vnto the LORD, who appeared vnto him.

* Chap. 13.15.
* Chap. 13.4.

8 And he remoued from thence vnto a mountaine on the East of Bethel, and pitched his tent, *hauing* Bethel on the West, and Hai on the East: and there he builded an Altar to the LORD, and called vpon the Name of the LORD.

9 And Abram iourneyed, †going on still toward the South.

† Hebr. in going and iourneying.

10 ¶ And there was a famine in the land, and Abram went downe into Egypt, to sojourne there: for the famine was grieuous in the land.

11 And it came to passe when he was come neere to enter into Egypt, that he said vnto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a faire woman to looke vpon.

12 Therefore it shall come to passe, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will saue thee alive.

13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister, that it may be well with me for thy sake, and my soule shall liue because of thee.

14 ¶ And it came to passe that when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman, that she was very faire.

15 The Princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaohs house.

16 And he intreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheepe, and oxen, and hee asses, and men-seruants, and maid-seruants, and shee asses, and camels.

17 And the LORD plagued Pharaoh & his house, with great plagues, because of Sarai Abrams wife.

18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What is this that thou hast done vnto me? Why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?

19 Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might haue taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take *her*, and goe thy way.

20 And Pharaoh commanded *his* men, concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Abram and Lot returne out of Egypt: 7 By disagreement they part asunder. 10 Lot goeth to wicked Sodome. 14 God reneweth the promise to Abram. 18 He remoueth to Hebron, and there buildeth an Altar.

AND Abram went vp out of Egypt, he and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him into the South.

2 And Abram was very rich in cattell, in siluer and in gold.

3 And he went on his iourneys from the South, euen to Beth-el, vnto the place where his tent had beene at the beginning, betweene Bethel and Hai:

4 Vnto the * place of the Altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the Name of the LORD.

* Chap. 12.7.

5 ¶ And Lot also which went with Abram, had flockes, and herds, and tents.

6 And the land was not able to beare them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

7 And there was a strife betweene the herd-men of Abrams cattell, and the herd-men of Lots cattell, and the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, dwelled then in the land.

8 And Abram said vnto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, betweene me and thee, and betweene my herd-men and thy herd-men, for we be † brethren.

† Or kinsmen.

9 Is not the whole land before thee? Separate thy selfe, I pray thee, from me: if thou *wilt take* the left hand, then I will goe to the right: or if thou *depart* to the right hand, then I will go to the left.

10 And Lot lifted vp his eyes, and beheld all the plaine of Iordane, that it was well watered euery where before the Lord destroyed Sodome and Gomorrah, *euen* as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou commest vnto Zoar.

11 Then Lot chose him all the plaine of Iordane, and Lot iourneyed East; and they separated themselues the one from the other.

12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plaine, and pitched his tent toward Sodome.

13 But the men of Sodome were wicked, and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

14 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift vp now thine eyes, and looke from the place where thou art, Northward, and Southward, and Eastward, and Westward.

15 For all the land which thou seest, * to thee will I giue it, and to thy seed for euer.

16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbred.

17 Arise, walke thorow the land, in the length of it, and in the breadth of it: for I will giue it vnto thee.

18 Then Abram remoued his tent, and came and dwelt in the † plaine of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an Altar vnto the LORD.

† Or plaines.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 The battell of foure kings against fiue. 11 Lot taken prisoner. 14 Abram rescueth him. 18 Melchisedek blesseth Abram. 20 Abram giueth him tithe. 22 The rest of the spoile, his partners haue had their portions, he restoreth to the King of Sodome.

AND it came to passe in the dayes of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, & Tidal king of nations,

2 That *these* made war with Bera king of Sodome, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab King of Admah, and Shemeber King of Zeboiim, and the King of Bela, which is Zoar.

3 All these were ioyned together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.

4 Twelue yeeres they serued Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth yeere they rebelled.

5 And in the fourteenth yeere came Chedorlaomer, and the Kings that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth-Karnaim, & the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims ‖ in Shaueh-Kiriathaim,

‖ Or plaine of Kiriathaim.

6 And the Horites in their mount Seir, vnto ‖ El-Paran, which is by the wildernesse.

‖ Or Elath.

7 And they returned, and came to Enmishpat, which is Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezon-tamar.

8 And there went out the King of Sodome, and the king of Gomorrah, and the King of Admah, and the King of Zeboiim, and the King of Bela (the same is Zoar) and they ioyned battell with them in the vale of Siddim.

9 With

With Chedorlaomer the King of Elam, and
h Tidal King of nations, and Amraphel King
hinar, and Arioch King of Ellasar foure Kings
h fiue.
3 And the vale of Siddim was full of slime-
t: and the Kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled,
fell there: and they that remained, fled to the
ntaine.
4 And they tooke all the goods of Sodom and
morrah, & all their victuals, & went their way.
5 And they tooke Lot, Abrams brothers sonne,
o dwelt in Sodom) and his goods, and departed.
6 ¶ And there came one that had escaped, and
d Abram the Hebrew, for he dwelt in the plaine
Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and bru-
r of Aner: & these were confederate w Abram.
14 And when Abram heard that his brother was
en captiue, hee armed his trained *seruants*
rne in his owne house, three hundred and eigh-
ne, and pursued *them* vnto Dan.
15 And he diuided himselfe against them, he and
s seruants by night, and smote them, and pursued
m vnto Hoba, which is on the left hand of Da-
scus:
16 And he brought backe all the goods, and also
ought againe his brother Lot, and his goods, and
e women also, and the people.
17 ¶ And the King of Sodom went out to meet
m, (after his returne from the slaughter of Che-
rlaomer, and of the Kings that were with him)
the valley of Sauch, which is the * Kings dale.
18 And * Melchizedek King of Salem brought
rth bread and wine: and hee was the Priest of
e most high God.
19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be A-
am of the most high God, possessour of heauen
d earth,
20 And blessed be the most high God which hath
livered thine enemies into thy hand: and hee
ue him * tithes of all.
21 And the King of Sodome said vnto Abram,
ue mee the † persons, and take the goods to thy
lfe.
22 And Abram said to the King of Sodome, I
e lift vp my hand vnto the LORD the most high
d, the possessour of heauen and earth,
23 That I will not take from a threed, euen
a shooe latchet, and that I will not take any
ing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I haue
de Abram rich:
24 Saue onely that which the young men haue
ten, and the portion of the men which went with
e, Aner, Eschol, and Mamre: let them take their
rtion.

CHAP. XV.

1 *God encourageth Abram.* 2 *Abram complaineth for want of an heirr.* 4 *God promiseth him a sonne, and a multiplying of his seed.* 6 *Abram is iustified by faith.* 7 *Canaan is promised againe, and confirmed by a figure,* 12 *and a vision.*

AFter these things the word of the LORD came
vnto Abram in a vision, saying, Feare not
bram, I am thy shield, *and* thy exceeding * great
ward.
2 And Abram said, Lord GOD, What wilt thou
ue mee, seeing I goe childlesse? and the steward
my house is this Eliezer of Damascus.
3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast gi-
n no seed: and loe, one borne in my house is
ine heire.
4 And behold, the word of the LORD *came* vn-
him, saying, This shall not bee thine heire: but
he that shall come foorth out of thy owne bowels,
shall be thine heire.
5 And he brought him foorth abroad, and said,
Looke now towards heauen, and tell the starres, if
thou bee able to number them. And hee said vnto
him, * So shall thy seed be. * Rom.
6 And he † beleeued in the LORD, and he counted 4.18.
it to him for righteousnesse. † Rom.4.3
7 And hee said vnto him; I am the LORD that gal.3.6.
brought thee out of Vr of the Caldees, to giue thee Iam.2.23.
this land to inherite it.
8 And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I know
that I shall inherite it?
9 And hee said vnto him, Take me an heifer of
three yeeres old, and a she goat of three yeres old,
and a ram of three yeeres old, and a turtle doue,
and a yong pigeon.
10 And he tooke vnto him all these, and diuided
them in the midst, and laid each piece one against
another: but the birds diuided he not.
11 And when the foules came downe vpon the
carcasses, Abram droue them away.
12 And when the Sun was going downe, a deepe
sleepe fell vpon Abram: and loe, an horrour of
great darkenesse fell vpon him.
13 And hee said vnto Abram, Know of a surety,
* that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is * Acts
not theirs, and shall serue them, and they shall af- 7.6.
flict them foure hundred yeeres.
14 And also that nation whom they shall serue,
will I iudge: and afterward shall they come out
with great substance.
15 And thou shalt goe to thy fathers in peace;
thou shalt be buried in a good old age.
16 But in the fourth generation they shall come
hither againe: for the iniquity of the Amorites is
not yet full.
17 And it came to passe, that when the Sun went
downe, and it was *darke*, behold, a smoaking fur-
nace, and a † burning lampe that passed betweene † Hebr.
those pieces. a lampe
18 In that same day the LORD made a Couenant of fire.
with Abram, saying, * Vnto thy seed haue I giuen * Chap.
this land, from the riuer of Egypt, vnto the great 12.7. &
riuer, the riuer Euphrates: 13.15. &
19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kad- 26.4. Deut.
monites: 34.4.
20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the
Rephaims:
21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and
the Girgashites, and the Iebusites.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *Sarai being barren giueth Hagar to Abram.* 4 *Hagar being afflicted for despising her mistresse, runneth away.* 7 *An Angel sendeth her backe to submit her selfe,* 11 *and telleth her of her childe.* 15 *Ishmael is borne.*

Prou. 30.7 to 10.

NOw Sarai Abrams wife bare him no chil-
dren: and shee had an handmaid an Egyp-
tian, whose name was Hagar.
2 And Sarai said vnto Abram, Behold now, the
LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray
thee goe in vnto my maide: it may bee that I may
† obtaine children by her: and Abram hearkened † Hebr. be
to the voyce of Sarai. built vp by her.
3 And Sarai Abrams wife tooke Hagar her maid
the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten yeeres
in the land of Canaan, and gaue her to her husband
Abram to be his wife.
4 ¶ And he went in vnto Hagar, and shee con-
ceiued: And when she saw that she had conceiued,
her mistresse was despised in her eyes.

5 And

5 And Sarai said vnto Abram, My wrong bee vpon thee, I haue giuen my maid into thy bosome, and when she saw that she had conceiued, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD iudge betweene me and thee.

6 But Abram said vnto Sarai, Behold, thy maide *is* in thy hand; doe to her † as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai † dealt hardly with her, shee fled from her face.

† Hebr. that which is good in thy eyes. † Hebr. afflicted her.

7 ¶ And the Angel of the LORD found her by a fountaine of water in the wildernesse, by the fountaine in the way to Shur:

8 And hee said, Hagar Sarais maide, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou goe? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistresse Sarai.

9 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto her, Returne to thy mistresse, and submit thy selfe vnder her hands.

10 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbred for multitude.

11 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto her, Behold, thou art with child, and shalt beare a son, and shalt call his name ‖ Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

‖ That is, God shall heare.

12 And he will be a wild man: his hand will bee against euery man, and euery mans hand against him: * and hee shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.

* Chap. 25.18.

13 And she called the Name of the LORD that spake vnto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Haue † also here looked after him that seeth me?

† Or, euen.

14 Wherefore the well was called, * ‖ Beer-lahai-roi: behold, it is betweene Kadesh and Bered.

* Chap. 24.62. ‖ That is, the well of him that liueth and seeth me.

15 ¶ And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his sonnes name which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16 And Abram was fourescore and six yeeres old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

CHAP. XVII.

1 God renewith the Couenant. 5 Abram his name is changed, in token of a greater blessing. 10 Circumcision is instituted. 15 Sarai her name is changed, and she blessed. 17 Isaac is promised. 23 Abraham and Ishmael are circumcised.

AND when Abram was ninety yeeres old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said vnto him, I am the Almighty God, * walke before me, and be thou perfect.

* Chap. 5.22. ‖ Or, vpright, or sincere.

2 And I will make my Couenant betweene mee and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

3 And Abraham fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my Couenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of † many nations.

† Hebr. multitude of nations. * Rom. 4.17.

5 Neither shall thy name any more bee called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham: * for a father of many nations haue I made thee.

6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitfull, and I will make nations of thee, and Kings shall come out of thee.

7 And I will establish my Couenant betweene me and thee, and thy seed after thee in their generations, for an euerlasting Couenant, to be a God vnto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

8 And I will giue vnto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land † wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an euerlasting possession, and I will be their God.

† Hebr. of thy sojournings

9 ¶ And God said vnto Abraham, Thou shalt keepe my Couenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee, in their generations.

10 This is my Couenant which ye shall keepe betweene me and you, and thy seed after thee: Euery manchild among you shall be circumcised.

11 And yee shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin, and it shall be a * token of the Couenant betwixt me and you.

* Or, sign.

12 And he that is † eight dayes old, * shall be circumcised among you, euery man child in your generations, he that is borne in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.

† Hebr. eight dayes of age. * Chap. 21.4. Luke 1.59. Chap. 2.21. Luke 2.21. Phil. 3.5.

13 He that is borne in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money must needs be circumcised: and my Couenant shall be in your flesh for an euerlasting Couenant.

14 And the vncircumcised man child, whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soule shall bee cut off from his people: hee hath broken my Couenant.

15 ¶ And God said vnto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah *shall* her name *be*.

16 And I will blesse her, and giue thee a son also of her: yea, I will blesse her, and she shall be a mother of nations: Kings of people shall be of her.

17 Then Abraham fell vpon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, shall a child be borne vnto him that is an hundred yeeres old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety yeeres old, beare?

18 And Abraham said vnto God, O that Ishmael might liue before thee.

19 And God said, * Sarah thy wife shall beare thee a sonne indeed, and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my Couenant with him for an euerlasting Couenant, *and* with his seed after him.

* Chap. 18.10.

20 And as for Ishmael, I haue heard thee: behold, I haue blessed him, and will make him fruitfull, and will multiply him exceedingly: * twelue Princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

* Chap. 16.10. & 21.13. & 25.16.

21 But my Couenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall beare vnto thee at this set time in the next yeere.

22 And hee left off talking with him, and God went vp from Abraham.

23 ¶ And Abraham tooke Ishmael his sonne, and all that were borne in his house, and all that were bought with his money, euery male among the men of Abrahams house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskinne in the selfe same day, as God had said vnto him.

24 And Abraham *was* ninety yeeres old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskinne.

25 And Ishmael his sonne *was* thirteene yeere old, when hee was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskinne.

26 In the selfe same day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his sonne.

27 And all the men of his house, borne in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Abraham entertaineth three Angels. 9 Sarah is reproued for laughing at the strange promise. The destruction of Sodom reuealed to Abraham. 23 Abraham maketh intercession for the same.

AND the * LORD appeared vnto him in the plaines of Mamre: and hee sate in the tent doore, in the heat of the day.

* Chap. 17.1.

2 And he lift vp his eyes, and looked, and lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw *them*, hee ran to meet them from the tent doore,

himſelfe toward the ground,
nd ſaid, My lord, if now I haue found fa-
in thy ſight, paſſe not away, I pray thee, from
eruant:
et a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and
your feet, & reſt your ſelues vnder the tree:
n. I will fetch a morſell of bread; and
ſtort ye your hearts; after that you ſhal paſſe
re therefore † are you come to your ſeruant.
they ſaid, So doe as thou haſt ſaid.
An Abraham haſtened into the tent vnto Sa-
ſaid, † Make readie quickly three meaſures
e meale, knead it, and make cakes vpon the
h.
An Abraham ran vnto the herd, and fetcht
r tender and good, and gaue it vnto a young
and he haſted to dreſſe it.
And he tooke butter and milke, and the calfe
h he had dreſſed, and ſet it before them; and
ood by them vnder the tree, and they did eate.
¶ And they ſaid vnto him, Where is Sarah thy
? And he ſaid, Behold, in the tent.
And hee ſaid, I will certainly returne vnto
according to the time of life; and loe, * Sa-
thy wife ſhall haue a ſonne. And Sarah heard
the tent doore, which was behind him.
Now Abraham and Sarah were old, and well
en in age: *and* it ceaſed to be with Sarah af-
the manner of women.
Therefore Sarah laughed within her ſelfe,
ſ, After I am waxed old, ſhall I haue pleaſure,
lord being old alſo?
And the LORD ſaid vnto Abraham, Where-
id Sarah laugh, ſaying, Shall I of a ſurety
a childe, which am old?
Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the
appointed wil I returne vnto thee, according
e time of life, and Sarah ſhall haue a ſonne.
Then Sarah denied, ſaying, I laughed not:
he was afraid. And hee ſaid, Nay, but thou
ſt laugh.
¶ And the men roſe vp from thence, and loo-
toward Sodome: and Abraham went with
to bring them on the way.
And the LORD ſaid, Shall I hide from Abra-
that thing which I doe;
Seeing that Abraham ſhall ſurely become a
t and mighty nation, and all the nations of the
ſhall be * bleſſed in him?
For I know him, that hee will command his
en and his houſhold after him, and they ſhall
e the way of the LORD, to doe iuſtice and
ment, that the LORD may bring vpon Abra-
that which he hath ſpoken of him.
And the LORD ſaid, Becauſe the crie of So-
and Gomorrah is great, and becauſe their
is very grieuous:
I will goe downe now, and ſee whether they
done altogether according to the crie of it,
is come vnto me: and if not, I will know.
And the men turned their faces from thence,
went toward Sodom; but Abraham ſtood yet
re the LORD.
¶ And Abraham drew neere, and ſaid, Wilt
thou deſtroy the righteous with the wicked?
Peraduenture there be fifty righteous within
ty, wilt thou alſo deſtroy, and not ſpare the
for the fifty righteous that are therein?
That be far from thee to do after this maner,
ſlay the righteous with the wicked, and that the
teous ſhould be as the wicked, that be far from
ſhall not the iudge of all the earth do right?

26 And the LORD ſaid, If I find in Sodome fifty righteous within the city, then I will ſpare all the place for their ſakes.

27 And Abraham anſwered, and ſaid, Behold now, I haue taken vpon mee to ſpeake vnto the LORD, which am but duſt and aſhes.

28 Peraduenture there ſhall lacke fiue of the fifty righteous; wilt thou deſtroy all the city for *lacke* of fiue? And he ſaid, If I find there fortie and fiue, I will not deſtroy *it*.

29 And hee ſpake vnto him yet againe, and ſaid, Peraduenture there ſhall bee fourty found there. And he ſaid, I will not doe *it* for fourties ſake.

30 And he ſaid vnto him, O let not the Lord be angry, and I will ſpeake: Peraduenture there ſhall thirty be found there. And he ſaid, I will not doe *it*, if I find thirty there.

31 And he ſaid, Behold, now I haue taken vpon me to ſpeake vnto the Lord: Peraduenture there ſhall be twenty found there. And he ſaid, I will not deſtroy *it* for twenties ſake.

32 And he ſaid, O let not the Lord bee angry, and I will ſpeake yet but this once: Peraduenture ten ſhall be found there. And hee ſaid, I will not deſtroy *it* for tens ſake.

33 And the LORD went his way aſſoone as hee had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned vnto his place.

CHAP. XIX.

1 Lot entertaineth two Angels 4 The vicious Sodomites are ſtricken with blindneſſe. 12 Lot is ſent for ſafety into the mountaines. 18 Hee obtaineth leaue to goe into Zoar. 24 Sodome and Gomorrah are deſtroyed. 26 Lots wife is a pillar of ſalt. 30 Lot dwelleth in a cane. 31 The inceſtuous originall of Moab and Ammon.

AND there came two Angels to Sodom at euen, and Lot ſate in the gate of Sodome: and Lot ſeeing *them*, roſe vp to meet them, and he bowed himſelfe with his face toward the ground.

2 And he ſaid, Behold now my Lords, turne in, I pray you, into your ſeruants houſe, and tarry all night, and * waſh your feet, and yee ſhall riſe vp early and goe on your wayes. And they ſaid, Nay, but we will abide in the ſtreet all night. * Chap. 18.4.

3 And hee preſſed vpon them greatly, and they turned in vnto him, and entred into his houſe; and hee made them a feaſt, and did bake vnleauened bread, and they did eate.

4 ¶ But before they lay downe, the men of the city, *euen* the men of Sodome, compaſſed the houſe round, both old and young, all the people from euerie quarter.

5 And they called vnto Lot, and ſaid vnto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out vnto vs, that we may know them.

6 And Lot went out at the doore vnto them, and ſhut the doore after him.

7 And ſaid, I pray you, brethren, doe not ſo wickedly.

8 Behold now, I haue two daughters, which haue not knowne man, let me, I pray you, bring them out vnto you, and doe yee to them as is good in your eyes: only vnto theſe men doe nothing: for therefore came they vnder the ſhadow of my roofe.

9 And they ſaid, Stand backe. And they ſaid againe, This one *fellow* came in to ſoiourne, and hee will needs be a iudge: Now will wee deale worſe with thee, then with them. And they preſſed ſore vpon the man, *euen* Lot, and came neere to breake the doore.

5 And Sarai said vnto Abram, My wrong bee vpon thee, I haue giuen my maid into thy bosome, and when she saw that she had conceiued, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD iudge betweene me and thee.

6 But Abram said vnto Sarai, Behold, thy maide *is* in thy hand; doe to her † as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai † dealt hardly with her, shee fled from her face.

† *Hebr. that which is good in thy eyes.* † *Hebr. afflicted her.*

7 ¶ And the Angel of the LORD found her by a fountaine of water in the wildernesse, by the fountaine in the way to Shur:

8 And hee said, Hagar Sarais maide, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou goe? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistresse Sarai.

9 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto her, Returne to thy mistresse, and submit thy selfe vnder her hands.

10 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbred for multitude.

11 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto her, Behold, thou art with child, and shalt beare a sonne, and shalt call his name ‖ Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

‖ *That is, God shall heare.*

12 And he will be a wild man: his hand will bee against euery man, and euery mans hand against him: * and hee shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.

* *Chap. 25.18.*

13 And she called the Name of the LORD that spake vnto her, Thou God seest mee: for she said, Haue † also here looked after him that seeth me?

* *Chap. 24.62.* ‖ *That is, the well of him that liueth and seeth me.*

14 Wherefore the well was called, * ‖ Beer-lahai roi: behold, it is betweene Cadesh and Bered.

15 ¶ And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his sonnes name which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16 And Abram was fourescore and six yeeres old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

CHAP. XVII.

1 God renewith thy Couenant. 5 Abram his name is changed, in token of a greater blessing. 10 Circumcision is instituted. 15 Sarai her name is changed, and she blessed in Isaac is promised. 23 Abraham and Ishmael are circumcised.

AND when Abram was ninety yeeres old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said vnto him, I am the Almighty God, * walke before me, and be thou perfect.

* *Chap. 5.22.* ‖ *Or, vpright, or sincere.*

2 And I will make my Couenant betweene mee and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

3 And Abraham fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my Couenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of † many nations.

† *Hebr. multitude of nations.*

5 Neither shall thy name any more bee called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham: * for a father of many nations haue I made thee.

* *Rom. 4.17.*

6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitfull, and I will make nations of thee, and Kings shall come out of thee.

7 And I will establish my Couenant betweene me and thee, and thy seed after thee in their generations, for an euerlasting Couenant, to be a God vnto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

8 And I will giue vnto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land † wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an euerlasting possession, and I will be their God.

† *Hebr. of thy sojournings.*

9 ¶ And God said vnto Abraham, Thou shalt keepe my Couenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee, in their generations.

10 This *is* my Couenant which ye shall keepe betweene me and you, and thy seed after thee: Euery man child among you shall be circumcised.

11 And yee shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin, and it shall be a * token of the Couenant betwixt me and you.

12 And he that is eight dayes old shall be circumcised among you, euery man child in your generations, he that is borne in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.

13 He that is borne in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my Couenant shall be in your flesh for an euerlasting Couenant.

14 And the vncircumcised man child, whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soule shall bee cut off from his people: hee hath broken my Couenant.

15 ¶ And God said vnto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah *shall her name be.*

16 And I will blesse her, and giue thee a sonne also of her: yea, I will blesse her, and she shall be a mother of nations: Kings of people shall be of her.

17 Then Abraham fell vpon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be borne vnto him that is an hundred yeeres old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety yeeres old, beare?

18 And Abraham said vnto God, O that Ishmael might liue before thee.

19 And God said, * Sarah thy wife shall beare a sonne indeed, and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my Couenant with him for an euerlasting Couenant, *and* with his seed after him.

20 And as for Ishmael, I haue heard thee: behold, I haue blessed him, and will make him fruitfull, and will multiply him exceedingly: twelue Princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

21 But my Couenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall beare vnto thee at this set time in the next yeere.

22 And hee left off talking with him, and God went vp from Abraham.

23 ¶ And Abraham tooke Ishmael his sonne, and all that were borne in his house, and all those that were bought with his money, euery male among the men of Abrahams house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskinne in the selfe same day, as God had said vnto him.

24 And Abraham was ninety yeeres old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskinne.

25 And Ishmael his sonne was thirteene yeeres olde, when hee was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskinne.

26 In the selfe same day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his sonne.

27 And all the men of his house, borne in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Abraham entertaineth three Angels. 9 Sarah is reproued for laughing at the strange promise. The destruction of Sodom reuealed to Abraham. 23 Abraham maketh intercession for the same.

AND the * LORD appeared vnto him in the plaines of Mamre: and hee sate in the tent doore, in the heat of the day.

* *Chap. 17.1.*

2 And he lift vp his eyes, and looked, and lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw *them*, hee ran to meet them from the tent doore, and

himſelfe toward the ground,
nd ſaid, My Lord, if now I haue found fa-
in thy ſight, paſſe not away, I pray thee, from
eruant:
Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and
your feet, & reſt your ſelues vnder the tree:
An. I will fetch a morſell of bread; and
ſtort ye your hearts; after that ye ſhal paſſe
re therefore † are ye come to your ſeruant.
they ſaid, So doe as thou haſt ſaide.
And Abraham haſtened into the tent vnto Sa-
nd ſaide, † Make ready quickly three meaſures
e meale, knead *it*, and make cakes vpon the
th.
And Abraham ran vnto the herd, and fetcht
e tender and good, and gaue it vnto a young
and he haſted to dreſſe it.
And he tooke butter and milke, and the calfe
h he had dreſſed, and ſet it before them; and
ood by them vnder the tree, and they did eate.
¶ And they ſaid vnto him, Where is Sarah thy
? And he ſaid, Behold, in the tent.
And hee ſaid, I will certainly returne vnto
according to the time of life; and loe, * Sa-
thy wife ſhall haue a ſonne. And Sarah heard
the tent doore, which was behind him.
Now Abraham and Sarah were old, and well
en in age: and it ceaſed to be with Sarah af-
the manner of women.
Therefore Sarah laughed within her ſelfe,
g, After I am waxed old, ſhall I haue pleaſure,
lord being old alſo?
And the LORD ſaid vnto Abraham, Where-
aid Sarah laugh, ſaying, Shall I of a ſurety
e a childe, which am old?
Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the
appointed wil I returne vnto thee, according
e time of life, and Sarah ſhall haue a ſonne.
Then Sarah denied, ſaying, I laughed not:
he was afraid. And hee ſaid, Nay, but thou
ſt laugh.
¶ And the men roſe vp from thence, and loo-
toward Sodome: and Abraham went with
to bring them on the way.
And the LORD ſaid, Shall I hide from Abra-
that thing which I doe;
Seeing that Abraham ſhall ſurely become a
t and mighty nation, and all the nations of the
ſhall be * bleſſed in him?
For I know him, that hee will command his
ren and his houſhold after him, and they ſhall
e the way of the LORD, to doe iuſtice and
ment, that the LORD may bring vpon Abra-
that which he hath ſpoken of him.
And the LORD ſaid, Becauſe the crie of So-
and Gomorrah is great, and becauſe their
is very grieuous:
I will goe downe now, and ſee whether they
done altogether according to the crie of it,
h is come vnto me: and if not, I will know.
And the men turned their faces from thence,
went toward Sodom; but Abraham ſtood yet
re the LORD.
¶ And Abraham drew neere, and ſaid, Wilt
thou deſtroy the righteous with the wicked?
Peraduenture there be fifty righteous within
ty, wilt thou alſo deſtroy, and not ſpare the
for the fifty righteous that are therein?
That be far from thee to do after this maner,
ſlay the righteous with the wicked, and that the
teous ſhould be as the wicked, that be far from
ee: ſhal not the Iudge of all the earth do right?

28 And the LORD ſaid, If I find in Sodome fifty
righteous within the city, then I will ſpare all the
place for their ſakes.
27 And Abraham anſwered, and ſaid, Behold
now, I haue taken vpon mee to ſpeake vnto the
LORD, which am but duſt and aſhes.
28 Peraduenture there ſhall lacke fiue of the
fifty righteous; wilt thou deſtroy all the city for
lacke of fiue? And he ſaid, If I find there forty and
fiue, I will not deſtroy *it*.
29 And hee ſpake vnto him yet againe, and ſaid,
Peraduenture there ſhall bee forty found there.
And he ſaid, I will not doe *it* for fortties ſake.
30 And he ſaid vnto him, O let not the Lord be
angry, and I will ſpeake: Peraduenture there ſhall
thirty be found there. And he ſaid, I will not doe
it, if I find thirty there.
31 And he ſaid, Behold, now I haue taken vpon
me to ſpeake vnto the Lord: Peraduenture there
ſhall be twenty found there. And he ſaid, I will
not deſtroy *it* for twenties ſake.
32 And he ſaid, O let not the Lord bee angry,
and I will ſpeake yet but *this* once: Peraduenture
ten ſhall be found there. And hee ſaid, I will not
deſtroy *it* for tens ſake.
33 And the LORD went his way aſſoone as hee
had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham
returned vnto his place.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *Lot entertaineth two Angels* 4 *The vicious Sodomites are ſtricken with blindneſſe.* 12 *Lot is ſent for ſafety into the mountaines.* 18 *Hee obtaineth leaue to goe into Zoar.* 24 *Sodome and Gomorrah are deſtroyed.* 26 *Lots wife is a pillar of ſalt.* 30 *Lot aboliſheth in a cane.* 31 *The inceſtuous originall of Moab and Ammon.*

AND there came two Angels to Sodom at euen,
and Lot ſate in the gate of Sodome: and Lot
ſeeing *them*, roſe vp to meet them, and he bowed
himſelfe with his face toward the ground.
2 And he ſaid, Behold now my Lords, turne in,
I pray you, into your ſeruants houſe, and tarry all
night, and * waſh your feet, and yee ſhall riſe vp
early, and goe on your wayes. And they ſaid, Nay,
but we will abide in the ſtreet all night.
3 And hee preſſed vpon them greatly, and they
turned in vnto him, and entred into his houſe; and
hee made them a feaſt, and did bake vnleauened
bread, and they did eate.
4 ¶ But before they lay downe, the men of the
city, *euen* the men of Sodome, compaſſed the houſe
round, both old and young, all the people from eue-
rie quarter.
5 And they called vnto Lot, and ſaid vnto him,
Where are the men which came in to thee this
night? bring them out vnto vs, that we may know
them.
6 And Lot went out at the doore vnto them,
and ſhut the doore after him.
7 And ſaid, I pray you, brethren, doe not ſo wic-
kedly.
8 Behold now, I haue two daughters, which haue
not knowne man, let me, I pray you, bring them out
vnto you, and doe yee to them as is good in your
eyes: only vnto theſe men doe nothing: for there-
fore came they vnder the ſhadow of my roofe.
9 And they ſaid, Stand backe. And they ſaid
againe, This one *fellow* came in to ſoiourne, and
hee will needs be a iudge: Now will wee deale
worſe with thee, then with them. And they preſ-
ſed ſore vpon the man, *euen* Lot, and came neere to
breake the doore.

* Chap. 18.4.

10 But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the doore.
11 And they smote the men *that were at the doore of the house with blindnesse, both small and great: so that they wearied themselues to find the doore.
12 ¶ And the men said vnto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? sonne in law, and thy sonnes, and thy daughters, and whatsoeuer thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place.
13 For wee will destroy this place, because the *cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD: and the LORD hath sent vs to destroy it.
14 And Lot went out, and spake vnto his sonnes in law, which married his daughters, and said, Vp, get yee out of this place: for the LORD will destroy this city: but he seemed as one that mocked vnto his sonnes in law.
15 ¶ And when the morning arose, then the Angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters which †are here, lest thou bee consumed in the ‖iniquity of the city.
16 And *while hee lingred, the men laid hold vpon his hand, and vpon the hand of his wife, and vpon the hand of his two daughters, the LORD being mercifull vnto him: and they brought him foorth, and set him without the city.
17 ¶ And it came to passe, when they had brought them foorth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life, looke not behind thee: neither stay thou in all the plaine: escape to the mountaine, lest thou bee consumed.
18 And Lot said vnto them, O not so my Lord.
19 Behold now, thy seruant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed vnto me in sauing my life, and I cannot escape to the mountaine, lest some euill take me, and I die.
20 Behold now, this city is neere to flee vnto, and it is a little one: O let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soule shall liue.
21 And he said vnto him, See, I haue accepted †thee concerning this thing, that I will not ouerthrow this city for the which thou hast spoken.
22 Haste thee, escape thither: for I cannot doe any thing till thou be come thither: therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.
23 ¶ The Sunne was †risen vpon the earth, when Lot entred into Zoar.
24 Then the* LORD rained vpon Sodome and vpon Gomorrah, brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heauen.
25 And hee ouerthrew those cities, and all the plaine, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew vpon the ground.
26 ¶ But his wife looked backe from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.
27 ¶ And Abraham gate vp early in the morning, to the place where he stood before the LORD.
28 And hee looked toward Sodome and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plaine, and beheld, and loe, the smoke of the country went vp as the smoke of a furnace.
29 ¶ And it came to passe, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembred Abraham, & sent Lot out of the midst of the ouerthrow, when he ouerthrew the cities in ‖ which Lot dwelt.
30 ¶ And Lot went vp out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountaine, and his two daughters with him: for he feared to dwell in Zoar, and he dwelt in a cane, he and his two daughters.
31 And the first borne said vnto the yonger, Our father is old, & there is not a man in the earth come in vnto vs, after the manner of all the earth.
32 Come, let vs make our father drinke wine, and we will lie with him, that wee may preserue seed of our father.
33 And they made their father drinke wine that night, and the first borne went in, and lay with her father: and he perceiued not when she lay downe, nor when she arose.
34 And it came to passe on the morrow, that the first borne said vnto the yonger: Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let vs make him drinke wine this night also, and goe thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserue seed of our father.
35 And they made their father drinke wine that night also, and the yonger arose, and lay with him: and he perceiued not when she lay downe, nor when she arose.
36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with childe by their father.
37 And the first borne bare a sonne, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites vnto this day.
38 And the yonger she also bare a sonne, and called his name Ben-ammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon vnto this day.

CHAP. XX.

1 Abraham soiourneth at Gerar, 2 denieth his wife, and loseth her 3 Abimelech is reproued for her in a dreame. 9 He rebuketh Abraham, 14 restoreth Sarah, 16 and reproueth her. 17 He is healed by Abrahams prayer.

AND Abraham iourneyed from thence toward the South country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.
2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister: And Abimelech King of Gerar sent, and tooke Sarah.
3 But God came to Abimelech in a dreame by night, and said to him, Behold, thou art but a dead man for the woman which thou hast taken: for she is a †mans wife.
4 But Abimelech had not come neere her: and he said, LORD, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation?
5 Said he not vnto me, She is my sister? and she, euen she her selfe said, He is my brother: in the ‖integrity of my heart, and innocency of my hands haue I done this.
6 And God said vnto him in a dreame, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart: for I also withheld thee from sinning against me, therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.
7 Now therefore restore the man his wife: for he is a Prophet, & he shall pray for thee, & thou shalt liue: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine.
8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his seruants, and told all these things in their eares: & the men were sore afraid.
9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said vnto him, What hast thou done vnto vs? and wherein haue I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdome a great sinne? Thou hast done deeds vnto me that ought not to be done.
10 And Abimelech said vnto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?
11 And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the feare of God is not in this place: and they will slay me for my wiues sake.
12 And yet indeed she is my sister: shee is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

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*Wisd. 19.16.
*Chap. 18.20.
†Heb. are found. ‖Or, punishment. *Wisd. 10.6.
†Heb. thy face.
†Heb. came forth. *Deut. 29.23. Luke 17. Rom. 9.29. Isa. 13. Jer. 50. 40. Amos 4.11. Jude 7.

13 And it came to passe, when God caused me to wander from my fathers house, that I said vnto her, This is thy kindnesse which thou shalt shew vnto me; at euery place whither wee shall come, say of me, Hee is my brother.

14 And Abimelech tooke sheepe, and oxen, and men-seruants, and women-seruants, and gaue them vnto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

15 And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before thee, dwell † where it pleaseth thee.

16 And vnto Sarah he said, Behold, I haue giuen thy brother a thousand *pieces* of siluer: behold, hee is to thee, a couering of the eyes vnto all that are with thee, and with all *other*: thus shee was reproued.

17 ¶So Abraham prayed vnto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maide seruants, and they bare children,

18 For the LORD had fast closed vp all the wombes of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abrahams wife.

CHAP. XXI.

1 *Isaac is borne.* 4 *He is circumcised.* 6 *Sarahs ioy.* 9 *Hagar and Ismael are cast forth.* 15 *Hagar distresse.* 17 *The Angel comforteth her.* 22 *Abimelechs couenant with Abraham at Beer-sheba.*

AND the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did vnto Sarah * as he had spoken.

2 For Sarah * conceiued, and bare Abraham a sonne in his old age, at the set time, of which God had spoken to him.

3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born vnto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac, being eight dayes old, * as God had commanded him.

5 And Abraham was an hundred yeeres old, when his sonne Isaac was borne vnto him.

6 ¶And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that heare, will laugh with me.

7 And shee said, Who would haue said vnto Abraham, that Sarah should haue giuen children suck? for I haue borne *him* a sonne in his old age.

8 And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the *same* day that he was weaned.

9 ¶And Sarah saw the sonne of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had borne vnto Abraham, mocking.

10 Wherefore she said vnto Abraham, *Cast out this bond-woman and her sonne: for the sonne of this bond-woman shal not be heire with my sonne, *euen* with Isaac.

11 And the thing was very grieuous in Abrahams sight, because of his sonne.

12 ¶And God said vnto Abraham, Let it not be grieuous in thy sight, because of the lad, and because of thy bond-woman. In all that Sarah hath said vnto thee, hearken vnto her voyce: for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.

13 And also of the sonne of the bond-woman will I make a nation, because he is thy seed.

14 And Abraham rose vp early in the morning, and tooke bread, and a bottle of water, and gaue *it* vnto Hagar (putting it on her shoulder) and the child, and sent her away: and shee departed, and wandered in the wildernesse of Beer-sheba.

15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child vnder one of the shrubs.

16 And she went, and sate her down ouer against him a good way off, as it were a bow shoot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sate ouer against *him*, & lift vp her voice, and wept.

17 And God heard the voyce of the lad: and the Angel of God called to Hagar out of heauen, and said vnto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? feare not: for God hath heard the voyce of the lad where he is.

18 Arise, lift vp the lad, and hold him in thine hand: for I will make him a great nation.

19 And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water, and shee went and filled the bottle with water, and gaue the lad drinke.

20 And God was with the lad, and he grew, and dwelt in the wildernesse, and became an archer:

21 And he dwelt in the wildernes of Paran: & his mother tooke him a wife out of the land of Egypt.

22 ¶And it came to passe at that time that Abimelech, and Phichol the chiefe Captaine of his hoste, spake vnto Abraham, saying, God *is* with thee in all that thou doest.

23 Now therefore sweare vnto me here, by God, that thou wilt not † deale falsly with me, nor with my sonne, nor with my sonnes sonne: *but* according to the kindnesse that I haue done vnto thee, thou shalt doe vnto mee, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.

24 And Abraham said, I will sweare.

25 And Abraham reproued Abimelech, because of a well of water which Abimelechs seruants had violently taken away.

26 And Abimelech said, I wote not who hath done this thing: neither diddest thou tell mee, neither yet heard I of it, but to day.

27 And Abraham tooke sheepe and oxen, and gaue them to Abimelech: and both of them made a couenant.

28 And Abraham set seuen ewe lambes of the flocke by themselues.

29 And Abimelech said vnto Abraham, What meane these seuen ewe lambes which thou hast set by themselues?

30 And he said, For these seuen ewe lambes shalt thou take of my hand, that they may bee a witnes vnto me, that I haue digged this well.

31 Wherefore he called that place, ‖ Beer-sheba: because there they sware both of them.

32 Thus they made a couenant at Beer-sheba: then Abimelech rose vp, and Phichol the chiefe Captaine of his hoste, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.

33 ¶ And *Abraham* planted a ‖ grone in Beer-sheba, and called there on the Name of the LORD, the euerlasting God.

34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines land many dayes.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *Abraham is tempted to offer Isaac.* 3 *He giueth proofe of his faith and obedience.* 11 *The Angel stayeth him.* 13 *Isaac is exchanged with a ram.* 14 *The place is called Iehouah-jireh.* 15 *Abraham is blessed againe.* 20 *The generation of Nahor vnto Rebekah.*

AND it came to passe after these things, that * God did tempt Abraham, and said vnto him, Abraham. And he said, † Behold, Here I am.

2 And hee said, Take now thy sonne, thine onely *sonne* Isaac, whom thou louest, and get thee into the land of Moriah: and offer him there for a burnt offering, vpon one of the mountaines which I will tell thee of.

3 ¶ And Abraham rose vp early in the morning, and sadled his asse, and tooke two of his young men with him, and Isaac his sonne, and claue the wood for the burnt offering, and rose vp, and went

† *Heb.* if thou shalt lie vnto me.

‖ *That is, the well of the oath.*

‖ *Or, tree.*

* *Hebr.* 11. 17.

† *Heb.* behold me.

vnto the place of which God had told him.

4 Then on the third day Abraham lift vp his eyes, and saw the place afarre off.

5 And Abraham said vnto his young men, Abide you here with the asse, and I and the lad will goe yonder and worship, and come againe to you.

6 And Abraham tooke the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it vpon Isaac his sonne: and hee tooke the fire in his hand, and a knife: and they went both of them together.

7 And Isaac spake vnto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, † Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and wood: but where is the ‖ lambe for a burnt offering?

† Heb. behold me. ‖ Or, kid.

8 And Abraham said, My sonne, God will prouide himselfe a lambe for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

9 And they came to the place which God had told him of, and Abraham built an Altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his sonne, and * laid him on the Altar vpon the wood.

* Iames 2. 21.

10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and tooke the knife to slay his sonne.

11 And the Angel of the LORD called vnto him out of heauen, and said, Abraham, Abraham. And he said, Here am I.

12 And hee said, Lay not thine hand vpon the lad, neither doe thou any thing vnto him: for now I know that thou feareſt God, ſeeing thou haſt not withheld thy ſonne, thine onely ſonne from me.

13 And Abraham lifted vp his eyes, and looked, and behold, behind *him* a ram caught in a thicket by his hornes: And Abraham went and tooke the ram, and offered him vp for a burnt offering, in the ſtead of his ſonne.

14 And Abraham called the name of that place, ‖ Iehouah-jireh, as it is ſaid to this day, In the mount of the LORD it ſhalbe ſeene.

‖ That is the LORD will ſee, or prouide.

15 ¶ And the Angel of the LORD called vnto Abraham out of heauen the ſecond time,

16 And ſaid, * By my ſelfe haue I ſworne, ſaith the LORD, for becauſe thou haſt done this thing, and haſt not withheld thy ſonne, thine onely ſonne,

* Pſa. 105. 9. eccluſ. 44. 21. luk. 1. 73. heb. 6. 13.

17 That in bleſsing, I will bleſſe thee, and in multiplying, I will multiply thy ſeed as the ſtars of the heauen, & as the ſand which is vpon the ſea ſhore, and thy ſeed ſhall poſſeſſe the gate of his enemies.

† Heb. hip. * Chap. 12. 3. & 28. 18. eccluſ. 44. 21. acts 3. 25 gal. 3. 8.

18 * And in thy ſeed ſhall all the nations of the earth be bleſſed, becauſe thou haſt obeyed my voyce.

19 So Abraham returned vnto his young men, and they roſe vp, and went together to Beer-ſhebat and Abraham dwelt at Be.r.-sheba.

20 ¶ And it came to paſſe after theſe things, that it was told Abraham, ſaying, Behold Milcah, ſhee hath alſo borne children vnto thy brother Nahor,

21 Huz his firſt borne, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram.

22 And Cheſed, and Hazo, and Pildaſh, and Idlaph, and Bethuel.

23 And Bethuel begate * Rebekah: theſe eight Milcah did beare to Nahor Abrahams brother.

* Called. rom. 9. 10. Rebecca.

24 And his concubine, whoſe name was Reumah, ſhe bare alſo Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahath, and Maachah.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 The age and death of Sarah. 3 The purchaſe of Machpelah: 19 Where Sarah was buried.

AND Sarah was an hundred and ſeuen and twenty yeeres old: *theſe were* the yeeres of the life of Sarah.

2 And Sarah dyed in Kiriath-arba, the ſame is Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourne for Sarah, and to weepe for her.

3 ¶ And Abraham ſtood vp from before his dead, and ſpake vnto the ſonnes of Heth, ſaying,

4 I am a ſtranger and a ſoiourner with you, giue mee a poſſeſſion of a burying place with you, that I may bury my dead out of my ſight.

5 And the children of Heth anſwered Abraham, ſaying vnto him,

6 Heare vs, my lord, thou art † a mighty Prince amongſt vs: in the choice of our ſepulchres bury thy dead: none of vs ſhall withhold from thee his ſepulchre, but that thou mayeſt bury thy dead.

7 And Abraham ſtood vp, and bowed himſelfe to the people of the land, *euen* to the children of Heth.

8 And he communed with them, ſaying, If it be your mind that I ſhould bury my dead out of my ſight, heare me, and intreat for mee to Ephron the ſonne of Zohar:

9 That he may giue mee the caue of Machpelah, which he hath, which *is* in the end of his field: for † as much money as it is worth he ſhall giue it me, for a poſſeſſion of a burying place amongſt you.

10 And Ephron dwelt amongſt the children of Heth. And Ephron the Hittite anſwered Abraham, in the † audience of the children of Heth, *euen* of all that went in at the gates of his city, ſaying,

11 Nay my lord, heare me: the field giue I thee, and the caue that *is* therein, I giue it thee, in the preſence of the ſonnes of my people giue I it thee: bury thy dead.

12 And Abraham bowed downe himſelfe before the people of the land.

13 And he ſpake vnto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, ſaying, But if thou *wilt* giue it, I pray thee, heare me: I will giue the money for the field: take it of me, and I will bury my dead there.

14 And Ephron anſwered Abraham, ſaying vnto him,

15 My lord, hearken vnto me: the land is worth foure hundred ſhekels of ſiluer: what is that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.

16 And Abraham hearkened vnto Ephron, and Abraham weighed to Ephron the ſiluer which he had named in the audience of the ſonnes of Heth, foure hundred ſhekels of ſiluer, current money with the merchant.

17 ¶ And the field of Ephron which *was* in Machpelah, which *was* before Mamre, the field, and the caue which *was* therein, and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all the borders round about were made ſure

18 Vnto Abraham for a poſſeſſion in the preſence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gates of his city.

19 And after this Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the caue of the field of Machpelah, before Mamre: the ſame is Hebron in the land of Canaan.

20 And the field, and the caue that is therein, were made ſure vnto Abraham for a poſſeſſion of a burying place, by the ſonnes of Heth.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Abraham ſweareth his ſeruant. 10 The ſeruants iourney: 12 His prayer: 14 His ſign. Rebekah meeteth him, 18 fulfilleth his ſigne, receiueth iewels, 23 ſheweth her kindred, 27 and inuiteth him home. 28 The ſeruant bleſſeth God. Laban entertaineth him. 34 The ſeruant ſhewes his meſſage. 50 Laban and Bethuel approue it. Rebekah conſenteth to goe. 62 Iſaac meeteth

AND Abraham was old, *and* † well ſtricken in age: and the LORD had bleſſed Abraham in all things.

2 And Abraham ſaid vnto his eldeſt ſeruant of his houſe, that ruled ouer all that he had, * Put, I pray thee, thy hand vnder my thigh:

3 And I will make thee ſweare by the LORD the God of heauen, and the God of the earth, that thou ſhalt not take a wife vnto my ſonne of the daughters of the Canaanites amongſt whom I dwell:

4 But thou ſhalt goe vnto my countrey, and to my kinred, and take a wife vnto my ſonne Iſaac.

5 And the ſeruant ſaid vnto him, Peraduenture the woman will not be willing to follow mee vnto this land: muſt I needs bring thy ſonne againe vnto the land from whence thou cameſt?

6 And Abraham ſaid vnto him, Beware thou, that thou bring not my ſonne thither againe.

7 ¶ The LORD God of heauen which tooke mee from my fathers houſe, and from the land of my kinred, and which ſpake vnto mee, and that ſware vnto mee, ſaying, * Vnto thy ſeed will I giue this land, he ſhall ſend his Angel before thee, and thou ſhalt take a wife vnto my ſonne from thence.

8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee: then thou ſhalt bee cleare from this my oath: onely bring not my ſonne thither againe.

9 And the ſeruant put his hand vnder the thigh of Abraham his maſter, and ſware to him concerning that matter.

10 ¶ And the ſeruant tooke ten camels, of the camels of his maſter, and departed, (¶ for all the goods of his maſter were in his hand) and he aroſe, and went to Meſopotamia vnto the city of Nahor.

11 And hee made his camels to kneele downe without the city, by a well of water, at the time of the euening, *euen* the time † that women goe out to draw *water*.

12 And hee ſaid, O LORD God of my maſter Abraham, I pray thee, ſend mee good ſpeed this day, and ſhew kindneſſe vnto my maſter Abraham.

13 Behold, * I ſtand here by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:

14 And let it come to paſſe, that the damoſell to whom I ſhall ſay, Let downe thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drinke, and ſhe ſhall ſay, Drinke, and I will giue thy camels drinke alſo: let the ſame be ſhee that thou haſt appointed for thy ſeruant Iſaac: and thereby ſhall I know that thou haſt ſhewed kindneſſe vnto my maſter.

15 ¶ And it came to paſſe before hee had done ſpeaking, that behold, Rebekah came out, who was borne to Bethuel, ſonne of Milcah, the wife of Nahor Abrahams brother, with her pitcher vpon her ſhoulder.

16 And the damoſell was † very faire to looke vpon, a virgine, neither had any man knowne her: and ſhe went downe to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came vp.

17 And the ſeruant ranne to meet her, and ſaid, Let mee (I pray thee) drinke a little water of thy pitcher.

18 And ſhe ſaid, Drinke my lord: and ſhe haſted and let downe her pitcher vpon her hand, and gaue him drinke.

19 And when ſhee had done giuing him drinke, ſhe ſaid, I will draw water for thy camels alſo, vntill they haue done drinking.

20 And ſhe haſted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran againe vnto the well to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels.

21 And the man wondring at her, held his peace, to wit, whether the LORD had made his iourney proſperous, or not.

22 And it came paſſe, as the camels had done drinking, that the man tooke a golden ‖ eare-ring of halfe a ſhekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *ſhekels* weight of gold.

‖ Or, iewell for the forehead.

23 And ſaid, Whoſe daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee: Is there roome in thy fathers houſe for vs to lodge in?

24 And ſhe ſaid vnto him, I am the daughter of Bethuel the ſonne of Milcah, which ſhee bare vnto Nahor:

25 She ſaid moreouer vnto him, Wee haue both ſtraw & prouender enough, and roome to lodge in.

26 And the man bowed downe his head, and worſhipped the LORD.

27 And he ſaid, Bleſſed *be* the LORD God of my maſter Abraham, who hath not left deſtitute my maſter of his mercy and his truth: I being in the way, the LORD led me to the houſe of my maſters brethren.

28 And the damoſell ran, and told *them of* her mothers houſe theſe things.

29 ¶ And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban: and Laban ran out vnto the man vnto the well.

30 And it came to paſſe, when he ſaw the eare-ring and bracelets vpon his ſiſters hands: and when hee heard the words of Rebekah his ſiſter, ſaying, Thus ſpake the man vnto me, that he came vnto the man, and behold, he ſtood by the camels at the well.

31 And hee ſaid, Come in, thou bleſſed of the LORD, wherefore ſtandeſt thou without? for I haue prepared the houſe, and roome for the camels.

32 ¶ And the man came into the houſe: and he vngirded his camels, and gaue ſtraw and prouender for the camels, and water to waſh his feet, and the mens feet that *were* with him.

33 And there was ſet *meat* before him to eate: but he ſaid, I will not eate vntill I haue told mine errand. And he ſaid, Speake on.

34 And he ſaid, I *am* Abrahams ſeruant.

35 And the LORD hath bleſſed my maſter greatly, and hee is become great: and he hath giuen him flockes and herds, and ſiluer and gold, and menſeruants and maid-ſeruants, and camels and aſſes.

36 And Sarah my maſters wife bare a ſonne to my maſter when ſhe was old, and vnto him hath he giuen all that he hath.

37 And my maſter made me ſweare, ſaying, Thou ſhalt not take a wife to my ſonne of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whoſe land I dwell:

38 But thou ſhalt goe vnto my fathers houſe, and to my kinred, and take a wife vnto my ſonne.

39 And I ſaid vnto my maſter, Peraduenture the woman will not follow me.

40 And he ſaid vnto me, The LORD before whom I walke, will ſend his Angel with thee, and proſper thy way: and thou ſhalt take a wife for my ſonne of my kinred, and of my fathers houſe.

41 Then ſhalt thou be cleare from this my oath, when thou commeſt to my kinred: and if they giue not thee *one*, thou ſhalt be cleare from my oath.

42 And I came this day vnto the well, and ſaid, O LORD God of my maſter Abraham, if now thou doe proſper my way which I goe:

43 * Behold, I ſtand by the well of water; and it ſhall come to paſſe, that when the virgin commeth forth to draw *water*, and I ſay to her, Giue mee, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drinke;

* Verſe 13.

44 And ſhe ſay to me, Both drinke thou, and I will alſo draw for thy camels, let the ſame be the woman, whom the LORD hath appointed out for my maſters ſonne.

45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder, and she went downe into the well, and drew water: and I said vnto her, Let me drinke I pray thee.

46 And she made haste, and let downe her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drinke, and I will giue thy camels drinke also: so I dranke, and shee made the camels drinke also.

47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter art thou? and shee said, The daughter of Bethuel Nahors sonne, whom Milcah bare vnto him: and I put the eare ring vpon her face, and the bracelets vpon her hands.

48 And I bowed downe mine head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, which had led mee in the right way to take my masters brothers daughter vnto his sonne.

49 And now if you will deale kindly and truely with my master, tell me, and if not, tell me, that I may turne to the right hand, or to the left.

50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered, and said; The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speake vnto thee bad or good.

51 Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and goe, and let her be thy masters sonnes wife, as the LORD hath spoken.

52 And it came to passe, that when Abrahams seruant heard their words, hee worshipped the LORD, bowing himselfe to the earth.

53 And the seruant brought forth † iewels of siluer, and iewels of gold, and raiment, and gaue them to Rebekah: he gaue also to her brother, and to her mother precious things.

54 And they did eate and drinke, hee and the men that were with him, and tarried all night, and they rose vp in the morning, and hee said, * Send me away vnto my master.

55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damosell abide with vs ‖ a few dayes, at the least ten: after that she shall goe.

56 And he said vnto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send mee away that I may goe to my master.

57 And they said, Wee will call the damosell, and enquire at her mouth.

58 And they called Rebekah, and said vnto her, Wilt thou goe with this man? and she said, I will goe.

59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abrahams seruant, and his men.

60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said vnto her: Thou art our sister, bee thou *the mother* of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possesse the gate of those which hate them.

61 ¶ And Rebekah arose, and her damosels, and they rode vpon the camels, and followed the man: and the seruant tooke Rebekah, and went his way.

62 And Isaac came from the way of the * well Lahai-roi, for he dwelt in the South countrey.

63 And Isaac went out to ‖ meditate in the field at the euentide: and he lift vp his eyes, and saw, and behold, the camels were comming.

64 And Rebekah lift vp her eyes, and when shee saw Isaac, she lighted off the camell.

65 For she had said vnto the seruant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet vs? And the seruant had said, It is my master: therefore she tooke a vaile, and couered her selfe.

66 And the seruant told Isaac all things that he had done.

67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarahs tent, and tooke Rebekah: and she became his wife, and he loued her: and Isaac was comforted after his mothers death.

CHAP. XXV.

1 *The sonnes of Abraham by Keturah.* 5 *The diuision of his goods.* 7 *His age and death.* 9 *His buriall.* 12 *The generations of Ismael:* 17 *His age and death.* 19 *Isaac prayeth for Rebekah long barren.* 22 *The children striue in her wombe.* 24 *The birth of Esau and Iacob.* 27 *Their differens.* 29 *Esau selleth his birthright.*

THen againe Abraham tooke a wife, and her name was Keturah.

2 And she bare him Zimran, and Iokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.

3 And * Iokshan begate Sheba, and Dedan. And the sonnes of Dedan *were* Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.

4 And the sonnes of Midian, Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abida, and Eldaah: all these were the children of Keturah.

5 ¶ And Abraham gaue all that he had vnto Isaac.

5 But vnto the sonnes of the concubines which Abraham had, Abraham gaue gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son (while he yet liued) Eastward, vnto the East countrey.

7 And these *are* the dayes of the yeeres of Abrahams life which hee liued, an hundred threescore and fifteene yeeres.

8 Then Abraham gaue vp the Ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full *of yeeres*, and was gathered to his people.

9 And his sons, Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the caue of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which *is* before Mamre:

10 * The field which Abraham purchased of the sonnes of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

11 ¶ And it came to passe after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his sonne Isaac, and Isaac dwelt by the * well Lahai-roi.

12 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Ishmael Abrahams son, whom Hagar the Egyptian Sarahs handmaid bare vnto Abraham:

13 And * these are the names of the sonnes of Ishmael by their names, according to their generations, The first borne of Ishmael, Nebaioth, and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

15 Hadar, & Tema, Ietur, Naphish, and Kedemah.

16 These are the sonnes of Ishmael, and these are their names by their townes, and by their castles, twelue Princes, according to their nations.

17 And these *are* the yeeres of the life of Ishmael † an hundred and thirty and seuen yeeres: and he gaue vp the Ghost, and died, and was gathered vnto his people.

18 And they dwelt from Hauilah vnto Shur, that *is* before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: and he † died in the presence of all his brethren.

19 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Isaac Abrahams sonne: Abraham begate Isaac.

20 And Isaac was forty yeres old when he tooke Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan Aram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.

21 And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because shee *was* barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceiued.

22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD.

23 And

vid. Iosh. 15. 21. 1 Chron. 4. 30.

‡ Heb. vessels

* Verse. 56. & 59. ‖ Or, a full yeere, or ten moneths.

* Chap. 16. 14. & 25. 11. ‖ Or, to pray

23 And the LORD ſaid vnto her, Two nations
re in thy wombe, and two manner of people ſhall
e ſeparated from thy bowels: and the one people
ſhall be ſtronger then the other people: and * the
der ſhall ſerue the yonger.
24 ¶ And when her dayes to be deliuered were
fulfilled, behold, there *were* twinnes in her wombe.
25 And the firſt came out red, all ouer like an
airy garment: and they called his name Eſau.
26 And after that came his brother out, and *his*
nd tooke hold on Eſaus heele, and his name was
alled Iacob: and Iſaac was threeſcore yeeres old,
hen ſhe bare them.
27 And the boyes grew: and Eſau was a cunning
unter, a man of the field: and Iacob was a plaine
an dwelling in tents.
28 And Iſaac loued Eſau, becauſe † he did eat of
is veniſon: but Rebeka loued Iacob.
29 ¶ And Iacob ſod pottage: and Eſau came
om the field, and he was faint.
30 And Eſau ſaid to Iacob, Feed me, I pray thee,
with that ſame red *pottage* for I am faint: there-
re was his name called Edom.
31 And Iacob ſaid, Sell mee this day thy birth-
right.
32 And Eſau ſaid, Behold, I am † at the point to
e: & what profit ſhall this birth-right doe to me?
33 And Iacob ſaid, Sweare to me this day: & he
ware to him: & * he ſold his birth-right vnto Iacob
34 Then Iacob gaue Eſau bread and pottage of
ntils: and he did eate and drinke, and roſe vp and
nt his way: thus, Eſau deſpiſed *his* birth-right.

CHAP XXVI.

Iſaac beeing in famine went to Gerar. 2 *God forbiddeth him to goe into Egypt.* 6 *He is reproued by Abimelech for denying his wife.* 12 *Hee groweth rich.* 18 *He diggeth Eſek, Sinnah, and Rehoboth.* 23 *Abimelech maketh a couenant with him at Beerſheba.* 34 *Eſaus wiues.*

Nd there was a famine in the land, beſides the
firſt famine that was in the dayes of Abra-
m. And Iſaac went vnto Abimelech King of the
liſtims vnto Gerar.
And the LORD appeared vnto him, and ſaid,
e not downe into Egypt: dwell in the land which
ll tell thee of.
Sojourne in this land, and I will be with thee,
will bleſſe thee: for vnto thee, and vnto thy
d * I will giue all theſe countreyes, and I will
forme the oath which I ſware vnto Abraham
father.
And I will make thy ſeed to multiply as the
rs of heauen, and will giue vnto thy ſeed all
ſe countreys: and in thy ſeed ſhall all the nati-
of the earth be * bleſſed.
Becauſe that Abraham obeyed my voyce, and
k my charge, my Commandements, my Statutes,
my Lawes.
¶ And Iſaac dwelt in Gerar.
And the men of the place aſked *him* of his
fe: and he ſaid, She is my ſiſter: for hee feared
y, *She is* my wife, leſt *ſaid he*, the men of the
ce ſhould kill me for Rebekah, becauſe ſhe was
r to looke vpon.
And it came to paſſe when he had beene there
g time, that Abimelech king of the Philiſtims
ed out at a window, and ſaw, and behold, Iſaac
ſporting with Rebekah his wife.
And Abimelech called Iſaac, and ſaid, Behold,
ertainly thee is thy wife: and how ſaidſt thou,
ſiſter? and Iſaac ſaid vnto him, Becauſe I
ſaid I die for her.
10 And Abimelech ſaid, What is this thou haſt done vnto vs? one of the people might lightly haue lien with thy wife, and thou ſhouldeſt haue brought guiltineſſe vpon vs.
11 And Abimelech charged all his people, ſaying, He that toucheth this man or his wife, ſhall ſurely be put to death.
12 Then Iſaac ſowed in that land, and † receiued in the ſame yeere an hundred fold, and the LORD bleſſed him. † *Hebr. found.*
13 And the man waxed great, and † went forward, and grew vntill he became very great. † *Hebr. went going.*
14 For he had poſſeſſion of flockes, or poſſeſſion of herdes, and great ſtore of ſeruants: and the Philiſtims enuied him. ‡ *Or, husbandry.*
15 For all the wels which his fathers ſeruants had digged in the dayes of Abraham his father, the Philiſtims had ſtopped them, & filled them with earth.
16 And Abimelech ſaid vnto Iſaac, Goe from vs: for thou art much mightier then we.
17 ¶ And Iſaac departed thence, and pitch his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.
18 And Iſaac digged againe the wells of water, which they had digged in † dayes of Abraham his father: for the Philiſtims had ſtopped them after the death of Abraham, & he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.
19 And Iſaacs ſeruants digged in the valley, and found there a well of † ſpringing water. † *Hebr. liuing.*
20 And the herdmen of Gerar did ſtriue with Iſaacs herdmen, ſaying, The water is ours: and hee called the name of the well, ‖ Eſek, becauſe they ſtroue with him. ‖ *That is, Contention.*
21 And they digged another well, and ſtroue for that alſo: and he called the name of it ‖ Sitnah. ‖ *That is, Hatred.*
22 And hee remoued from thence, and digged another well, and for that they ſtrene not: and hee called the name of it ‖ Rehoboth: and hee ſaid, For now the LORD hath made roome for vs, and we ſhall be fruitfull in the land. ‖ *That is, Roome.*
23 And he went vp from thence vnto Beer-ſheba.
24 And the LORD appeared vnto him the ſame night, and ſaid, I *am* the God of Abraham thy father: feare not, for I am with thee, and will bleſſe thee, and multiply thy ſeed, for my ſeruant Abrahams ſake.
25 And hee builded an Altar there, and called vpon the Name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Iſaacs ſeruants digged a well.
26 ¶ Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol, the chiefe captaine of his army.
27 And Iſaac ſaid vnto them, Wherefore come ye to me, ſeeing ye hate me, and haue ſent me away from you?
28 And they ſaid, † We ſaw certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we ſaid, Let there bee now an oath betwixt vs, euen betwixt vs and thee, and let vs make a couenant with thee, † *Hebr. ſeeing we ſaw.*
29 † That thou wilt doe vs no hurt, as we haue not touched thee, and as wee haue done vnto thee nothing but good, and haue ſent thee away in peace: thou art now the bleſſed of the LORD. † *Hebr. If thou ſhalt, &c.*
30 And he made them a feaſt, and they did eate and drinke.
31 And they roſe vp betimes in the morning, and ſware one to another: and Iſaac ſent them away, and they departed from him in peace.
32 And it came to paſſe the ſame day that Iſaacs ſeruants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and ſaid vnto him, Wee haue found water.

‖ That is, an oath.
‖ That is, the well of the oath.
33 And he called it ‖ Sheba: therefore the name of the city is ‖ Beer-sheba vnto this day.
34 ¶ And Esau was forty yeeres old when he tooke to wife Iudith, the daughter of Beeri the Hittite and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite.
35 Which * were ‖ a griefe of minde vnto Isaac and to Rebekah.
* Chap. 27.46.

CHAP. XXVII.

† Hebr. tasterues of spirit.
1 *Isaac sendeth Esau for venison.* 5 *Rebekah instructeth Iacob to obtaine the blessing.* 15 *Iacob vnder the person of Esau obtaineth it.* 30 *Esau bringeth venison.* 33 *Isaac trembleth.* 34 *Esau complaines, & by importunity obtaineth a blessing.* 41 *He threatneth Iacob.* 42 *Rebekah disappointeth it.*

Heb. 12. 16.

AND it came to passe, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said vnto him, My son. And he said vnto him, Behold, Here am I.
2 And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death.
3 Now therefore, take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and goe out to the field, and † take me *some* venison.
† Hebr. hunt.
4 And make me sauoury meate, such as I loue, and bring it to mee, that I may eate, that my soule may blesse thee before I die.
5 And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his sonne: and Esau went to the field to hunt *for* venison, *and* to bring *it*.
6 ¶ And Rebekah spake to Iacob her sonne, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speake vnto Esau thy brother, saying,
7 Bring me venison, and make me sauoury meat, that I may eate, and blesse thee before the LORD, before my death.
8 Now therefore my son obey my voyce, according to that which I command thee.
9 Goe now to the flocke & fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats, and I will make them sauoury meat for thy father, such as he loueth.
10 And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, & that he may blesse thee before his death
11 And Iacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is an hairy man, and I am a smooth man.
12 My father peradventure will feele mee, and I shall seeme to him as a deceiuer, and I shall bring a curse vpon me, and not a blessing.
13 And his mother said vnto him, Vpon mee be thy curse my sonne: onely obey my voyce and goe fetch me *them*.
14 And he went and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother, and his mother made sauoury meat, such as his father loued.
15 And Rebekah tooke † goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them vpon Iacob her yonger sonne:
† Hebr. desireable.
16 And she put the skins of the kids of the goats vpon his hands, and vpon the smooth of his necke.
17 And she gaue the sauoury meat, and the bread which she had prepared, into the hand of her sonne Iacob.
18 ¶ And he came vnto his father, & said, My father: and he said, Here am I: who art thou my son?
19 And Iacob said vnto his father, I am Esau thy first borne: I haue done according as thou badest me, arise, I pray thee, sit and eate of my venison; that thy soule may blesse me.
20 And Isaac said vnto his son, How is it that thou hast found *it* so quickly, my son? and he said, ‖ Heb, before me. Because the LORD thy God brought it † to me.
21 And Isaac said vnto Iacob, Come neere, I pray thee, that I may feele thee my sonne, whether thou be my very sonne Esau, or not.
22 And Iacob went neere vnto Isaac his father, and he felt him, and said, the voice *is* Iacobs voice, but the hands *are* the hands of Esau.
23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy as his brother Esaus hands. So he blessed him.
24 And he said, Art thou my very sonne Esau? And he said, I am.
25 And he said, Bring *it* neere to me, and I will eate of my sonnes venison, that my soule may blesse thee: and he brought *it* neere to him, and he did eate, and he brought him wine, and he dranke.
26 And his father Isaac said vnto him, Come neere now, and kisse me, my sonne.
27 And hee came neere and kissed him, and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my sonne is as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed.
28 Therefore * God giue thee of the dew of heauen, and the fatnesse of the earth, and plenty of corne and wine.
29 Let people serue thee, and nations bow downe to thee: be lord ouer thy brethren, and let thy mothers sonnes bow downe to thee: Cursed be euery one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee. Iud. 27. 16.
30 ¶ And it came to passe, assoone as Isaac had made an end of blessing Iacob, and Iacob was yet scarce gone out from ỹ presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.
31 And hee also had made sauoury meat, and brought it vnto his father, and said vnto his father, Let my father arise, and eate of his sonnes venison, that thy soule may blesse me.
32 And Isaac his father said vnto him, Who art thou? and he said, I am thy son thy first borne Esau.
33 And Isaac † trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where *is* he that hath † taken venison, and brought it me, and I haue eaten of all before thou camest, and haue blessed him? yea, and he shall be blessed.
34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cryed with a great, and exceeding bitter cry, and said vnto his father, Blesse me, *euen* me also, O my father.
35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty and hath taken away thy blessing.
36 And he said, Is not he rightly named Iacob? for he hath supplanted mee these two times: he tooke away my birth-right, and behold, now he hath taken away my blessing: and he said, Hast thou not reserued a blessing for me?
37 And Isaac answered, and said vnto Esau, Behold, I haue made him thy lord: and all his brethren haue I giuen to him for seruants: and with corne and wine haue I ‖ sustained him: and what shall I doe now vnto thee my sonne?
38 * And Esau said vnto his father, Hast thou but one blessing my father? blesse me, *euen* me also, O my father. And Esau lift vp his voice * and wept.
39 And Isaac his father answered, and said vnto him, * Behold, thy dwelling shall be ‖ the fatnesse of the earth, and of the dew of heauen from aboue;
40 And by thy sword shalt thou liue, and shalt seruе thy brother: and it shall come to passe, when thou shalt haue the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy necke.
41 ¶ And Esau hated Iacob, because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: And Esau said in his heart, The dayes of mourning for my

…er are at hand, then will I slay my brother Iacob.
42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Iacob her younger sonne, and said vnto him, Behold, thy brother Esau as touching thee, doth comfort himselfe, purposing to kill thee.
43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voyce: and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to Haran:
44 And tarry with him a few dayes, vntill thy brothers fury turne away.
45 Vntill thy brothers anger turne away from thee, & he forget that which thou hast done to him: then I will send and fetch thee from thence: why should I be depriued also of you both in one day?
46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, *I am weary of my life, because of the daughters of Heth: If Iacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these which are of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life doe me?

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 Isaac blesseth Iacob and sendeth him to Padan-Aram. 9 Esau marrieth Mahalath the daughter of Ismael. 10 The vision of Iacobs ladder. 18 The stone of Bethel. 20 Iacob's vow.

AND Isaac called Iacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said vnto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.
2 *Arise, Goe to Padan-Aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mothers father, and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mothers brother.
3 And God Almighty blesse thee, and make thee fruitfull, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people:
4 And giue thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee, that thou mayest inherite the land † wherein thou art a stranger, which God gaue vnto Abraham.
5 And Isaac sent away Iacob, and he went to Padan-Aram, vnto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Iacobs and Esaus mother.
6 ¶ When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Iacob, and sent him away to Padan-Aram, to take him a wife from thence, and that as he blessed him, he gaue him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan,
7 And that Iacob obeyed his father, and his mother, and was gone to Padan-Aram;
8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father:
9 Then went Esau vnto Ishmael, and tooke vnto the wiues which he had, Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abrahams sonne, the sister of Nebaioth, to be his wife.
10 ¶ And Iacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward *Haran.
11 And he lighted vpon a certaine place, & taried there all night, because the Sun was set: and he tooke of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillowes, and lay downe in that place to sleepe.
12 And he dreamed, and behold, a ladder set vp on the earth, and the top of it reached to heauen: and behold, the Angels of God ascending and descending on it.
13 *And behold, the LORD stood aboue it, and said, I am the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I giue it, and to thy seed.
14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt † spread abroad *to the West, and to the East, and to the North, and to the South: and in thee and *in thy seed, shall all the families of the earth be blessed,
15 And behold, I am with thee, & will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, & will bring thee againe into this land: for I will not leaue thee vntil I haue done that which I haue spoken to thee of.
16 ¶ And Iacob awaked out of his sleep, & he said, Surely the LORD is in this place, & I knew it not.
17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadfull is this place? this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heauen.
18 And Iacob rose vp early in the morning, and tooke the stone that he had put for his pillowes, and set it vp for a pillar, and powred oile vpon the top of it.
19 And he called the name of that place ‖ Bethel: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first. ‖ That is, the house of God.
20 And Iacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, & will keep me in this way that I go, and will giue me bread to eate, and raiment to put on,
21 So that I come againe to my fathers house in peace: then shall the LORD be my God.
22 And this stone which I haue set for a pillar, shalbe Gods house: and of all that thou shalt giue me, I will surely giue the tenth vnto thee.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 Iacob commeth to the well of Haran. 9 He taketh acquaintance of Rachel 13 & is entertained him. 18 Iacob couenanteth for Rachel. 23 He is deceiued with Leah. 28 He marrieth also Rachel, and serueth for her seuen yeeres more. 32 Leah beareth Reuben, 33 Simeon, 34 Leui, 35 and Iudah.

THen Iacob † went on his iourney, and came into the land of the †people of the East. † Hebr. lift vp his feet.
2 And he looked, and behold, a well in the field, and loe, there were three flockes of sheepe lying by it: for out of that well they watered the flockes: and a great stone was vpon the wels mouth. † Hebr. children.
3 And thither were all the flockes gathered, and they rolled the stone from the wels mouth, and watered the sheepe, and put the stone againe vpon the wels mouth in his place.
4 And Iacob said vnto them, My brethren, whence be ye? and they said, Of Haran are we.
5 And he said vnto them, Know yee Laban the sonne of Nahor? And they said, We know him.
6 And he said vnto them, † Is he well? and they said, He is well: and behold, Rachel his daughter commeth with the sheepe. † Hebr. Is there peace to him
7 And he said, Loe, † It is yet high day, neither is it time that the cattell should bee gathered together: water ye the sheepe, and goe and feed them. † Hebr. yet the day is great.
8 And they said, We cannot vntill all the flocks be gathered together, and till they roll the stone from the wels mouth: then we water the sheepe.
9 ¶ And while he yet spake with them, Rachel came with her fathers sheepe: for she kept them.
10 And it came to passe, when Iacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mothers brother, and the sheepe of Laban his mothers brother, that Iacob went neere, and rolled the stone from the wells mouth, and watered the flocke of Laban his mothers brother,
11 And Iacob kissed Rachel, and lifted vp his voice and wept.
12 And Iacob told Rachel that hee was her fathers brother, and that he was Rebekahs son: and she ranne and told her father.
13 And it came to passe, when Laban heard the † tidings of Iacob his sisters sonne, that he ranne to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house: and he told Laban all these things, † Hebr. hearing.

14 And Laban said vnto him, Surely thou art my bone and my flesh: and he abode with him the † space of a moneth.

† Hebr. a moneth of dayes.

15 ¶ And Laban said vnto Iacob, Because thou art my brother, shouldest thou therefore serue me for nought? tell me, what shall thy wages be?

16 And Laban had two daughters, the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel.

17 Leah was tender eyed, but Rachel was beautifull and well fauoured.

18 And Iacob loued Rachel, and said, I will serue thee seuen yeeres for Rachel thy yonger daughter.

19 And Laban said, It is better that I giue her to thee, then that I should giue her to another man: abide with me.

20 And Iacob serued seuen yeeres for Rachel: and they seemed vnto him but a few dayes, for the loue he had to her.

21 ¶ And Iacob said vnto Laban, Giue me my wife (for my dayes are fulfilled) that I may goe in vnto her.

22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.

23 And it came to passe in the euening, that he tooke Leah his daughter, and brought her to him, and he went in vnto her.

24 And Laban gaue vnto his daughter Leah, Zilpah his maid for a handmaid.

25 And it came to passe, that in the morning, behold it was Leah: and he said to Laban, What is this thou hast done vnto me? did not I serue with thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?

26 And Laban said, It must not be so done in our † countrey, to giue the yonger before the first borne.

† Hebr. place.

27 Fulfill her weeke, and we will giue thee this also for the seruice which thou shalt serue with me yet seuen other yeeres.

28 And Iacob did so, and fulfilled her weeke: and he gaue him Rachel his daughter to wife also.

29 And Laban gaue to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his hand maid to be her maid.

30 And he went in also vnto Rachel, and he loued also Rachel more then Leah, and serued with him yet seuen other yeeres.

31 ¶ And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her wombe: but Rachel was barren.

32 And Leah conceiued and bare a sonne, and she called his name ‖ Reuben: for she said, Surely, the LORD hath looked vpon my affliction; now therefore my husband will loue me.

‖ That is, See a son.

33 And she conceiued againe, and bare a sonne, and said, Because the LORD hath heard that I was hated, he hath therefore giuen me this *sonne* also, and she called his name ‖ Simeon.

‖ That is, Hearing.

34 And she conceiued againe, and bare a sonne: and said, Now this time will my husband be ioyned vnto me, because I haue borne him three sons: therefore was his name called ‖ Leui.

* Mar. 1.2 ‖ That is, Ioyned.

35 And she conceiued againe, and bare a sonne, and she said, Now will I praise the LORD: therefore she called his name * ‖ Iudah, and † left bearing.

‖ That is, Praise. † Hebr. stood from bearing.

CHAP. XXX.

1 *Rachel in griefe for her barrennesse, giueth Bilhah her maid vnto Iacob.* 5 *She beareth Dan and Naphtali.* 9 *Leah giueth Zilpah her maide, who beareth Gad and Asher.* 14 *Reuben findeth Mandrakes, with which Leah buyeth her husband of Rachel:* 17 *Leah beareth Issachar, Zebulun and Dinah.* 22 *Rachel beareth Ioseph.* 25 *Iacob desireth to depart.* 27 *Laban stayeth him on a new couenant.* 37 *Iacobs policie whereby he became rich.*

AND when Rachel saw that she bare Iacob no children, Rachel enuied her sister, and said vnto Iacob, Giue me children, or else I die.

2 And Iacobs anger was kindled against Rachel, and he said, Am I in Gods stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the wombe?

3 And she said, Behold my maid Bilhah: goe in vnto her, and she shall beare vpon my knees, that I may also † haue children by her.

4 And she gaue him Bilhah her hand maid to wife: and Iacob went in vnto her.

5 And Bilhah conceiued, and bare Iacob a sonne.

6 And Rachel said, God hath iudged me, and hath also heard my voyce, and hath giuen me a sonne: therefore called she his name ‖ Dan.

7 And Bilhah Rachels maid conceiued againe, and bare Iacob a second sonne.

8 And Rachel said, With † great wrestlings haue I wrestled with my sister, and I haue preuailed: and she called his name ‖ * Naphtali.

9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her maid, and gaue her Iacob to wife.

10 And Zilpah Leahs maid bare Iacob a sonne.

11 And Leah said, A troope commeth: And she called his name ‖ Gad.

12 And Zilpah Leahs maid bare Iacob a second sonne.

13 And Leah said, † Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she called his name ‖ Asher.

14 ¶ And Reuben went in the dayes of wheat harueſt, and found Mandrakes in the field, and brought them to his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, Giue me, I pray thee, of thy sonnes Mandrakes.

15 And she said vnto her, Is it a small matter, that thou hast taken my husband? and wouldest thou take away my sonnes Mandrakes also? and Rachel said, Therefore hee shall lie with thee this night, for thy sonnes Mandrakes.

16 And Iacob came out of the field in the euening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, Thou must come in vnto me: for surely I haue hired thee with my sonnes Mandrakes. And he lay with her that night.

17 And God hearkened vnto Leah, and she conceiued, and bare Iacob the fift sonne.

18 And Leah said, God hath giuen mee my hire, because I haue giuen my maiden to my husband: and she called his name ‖ Issachar.

19 And Leah conceiued againe, and bare Iacob the sixt sonne.

20 And Leah said, God hath endued me with a good dowry: now will my husband dwell with me, because I haue borne him sixe sonnes: and she called his name ‖ * Zebulun.

21 And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name ‖ Dinah.

22 ¶ And God remembred Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her wombe.

23 And she conceiued and bare a sonne, and said, God hath taken away my reproach:

24 And she called his name ‖ Ioseph, and said, The LORD shall adde to me another sonne.

25 ¶ And it came to passe when Rachel had borne Ioseph, that Iacob said vnto Laban, Send me away, that I may goe vnto mine owne place, and to my countrey.

26 Giue me my wiues and my children for whom I haue serued thee, and let me goe: for thou

weſt my ſernice which I haue done thee.
27 And Laban ſaid vnto him, I pray thee, if I
e found fauour in thine eyes, *tarry*: for I haue
ned by experience, that the LORD hath bleſſed
for thy ſake.
28 And he ſaid, Appoint me thy wages, and I
ll giue it.
29 And he ſaid vnto him, Thou knoweſt how I
e ſerued thee, and how thy cattel *was* with me.
30 For it was little which thou haddeſt before I
me; and it is *now* † increaſed vnto a multitude;
d the LORD hath bleſſed thee † ſince my com-
ng: and now when ſhall I prouide for mine
me houſe alſo?
31 And he ſaid, What ſhall I giue thee? and Ia-
b ſaid, Thou ſhalt not giue me any thing: if thou
t doe this thing for me, I will againe feed *and*
epe thy flocke.
32 I will paſſe thorow all thy flocke to day, re-
oue from thence all the ſpeckled and ſpotted
ttell: and all the browne cattell among the
epe, and the ſpotted and ſpeckled among the
es, and *of ſuch* ſhall be my hire.
33 So ſhall my righteouſnes anſwere for me † in
ereto come; when it ſhall come for my hire, be-
e thy face; euery one that is not ſpeckled and
tted among the goats, and browne amongſt the
epe, that ſhall be counted ſtollen with me.
34 And Laban ſaid, Behold, I would it might be
ording to thy word.
35 And he remoued that day the hee goates that
re ring-ſtraked and ſpotted, and all the ſhee
es that were ſpeckled and ſpotted, *and* euery
that had *ſome* white in it, and all the browne
ongſt the ſheepe, and gaue *them* into the hand of
ſonnes.
36 And he ſet three dayes iourney betwixt him-
e and Iacob: and Iacob fed the reſt of Labans
kes.
37 ¶ And Iacob tooke him rods of greene poplar,
of the haſel, and cheſnut tree, and pilled white
kes in them, and made the white appeare which
s in the rods.
38 And he ſet the rods which he had pilled,
ore the flockes, in the gutters in the watering
ughes, when the flocks came to drinke, that they
d conceiue when they came to drinke.
39 And the flocks conceiued before the rods, and
ught forth cattell ring-ſtraked, ſpeckled, and
tted.
40 And Iacob did ſeparate the lambs, and ſet the
es of the flockes toward the ring-ſtraked, and
the browne in the flocke of Laban: and he put
owne flockes by themſelues, and put them not
to Labans cattell.
41 And it came to paſſe, whenſoeuer the ſtronger
ttell did conceiue, that Iacob laid the rods be-
e the eyes of the cattell in the gutters, that they
ght conceiue among the rods.
42 But when the cattell were feeble, he put *them*
not: ſo the feebler were Labans, and the ſtron-
Iacobs.
43 And the man increaſed exceedingly, and had
ch cattell, and maid-ſeruants, and men-ſeruants,
camels, and aſſes.

CHAP. XXXI.

Iacob vpon diſpleaſure departeth ſ ly. 19 *Rachel ſtealeth her fathers images.* 22 *Laban purſueth after him.* 26 *and complaineth of the wrong.* 30 *Rachels policie to hide the images.* 36 *Iacobs anſwere of Laban.* 43 *The couenant of Laban and Iacob at Galeed.*

AND he heard the words of Labans ſonnes, ſaying, Iacob hath taken away all that was our fathers; and of that which was of our fathers hath he gotten all this glory.
2 And Iacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and behold, it *was* not towards him † as before.
3 And the LORD ſaid vnto Iacob, Returne vnto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred, and I will be with thee.
4 And Iacob ſent and called Rachel and Leah to the field vnto his flocke,
5 And ſaid vnto them, I ſee your fathers countenance, that it is not toward me as before: but the God of my father hath beene with me.
6 And ye know that with all my power I haue ſerued your father.
7 And your father hath deceiued me, and changed my wages ten times: but God ſuffered him not to hurt me.
8 If he ſaid thus, The ſpeckled ſhall be thy wages, then all the cattell bare ſpeckled: and if he ſaid thus, The ring-ſtraked ſhall be thy hire: then bare all the cattell ring-ſtraked.
9 Thus God hath taken away the cattell of your father, and giuen *them* to me.
10 And it came to paſſe at the time that the cattell conceiued, that I lifted vp mine eyes, and ſaw in a dreame, and behold, the † rams which leaped vpon the cattell, *were* ring-ſtraked, ſpackled, and grizled.
11 And the Angel of God ſpake vnto me in a dreame, *ſaying*, Iacob; and I ſaid, Here am I.
12 And he ſaid, Lift vp now thine eyes, and ſee, all the rams which leape vpon the cattell, *are* ring-ſtraked, ſpeckled, and grizled: for I haue ſeene all that Laban doth vnto thee.
13 I am the God of Bethel, * where thou anoint-eſt the pillar, *and* where thou vowedſt a vow vnto me: now ariſe, get thee out from this land, and returne vnto the land of thy kinred.
14 And Rachel and Leah anſwered, and ſaid vnto him; Is there yet any portion or inheritance for vs in our fathers houſe?
15 Are we not counted of him ſtrangers? for he hath ſold vs, and hath quite deuoured alſo our money.
16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that is ours and our children's: now then whatſoeuer God hath ſaid vnto thee, doe.
17 ¶ Then Iacob roſe vp, and ſet his ſonnes and his wiues vpon camels.
18 And he caried away all his cattell, and all his goods which he had gotten, the cattell of his getting, which he had gotten in Padan-Aram, for to goe to Iſaac his father into the land of Canaan.
19 And Laban went to ſheare his ſheepe: and Rachel had ſtollen the † images that *were* her fathers.
20 And Iacob ſtole away † vnawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled,
21 So he fled with all that he had, and he roſe vp and paſſed ouer the riuer, and ſet his face toward the mount Gilead.
22 And it was told Laban on the third day, that Iacob was fled.
23 And he tooke his brethren with him, and purſued after him ſeuen dayes iourney, and they ouertooke him in the mount Gilead.
24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dreame by night, and ſaid vnto him, Take heed that thou ſpeake not to Iacob either good or bad.
25 ¶ Then Laban ouertooke Iacob. Now Iacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban with his

† *Hebr. as yeſterday, and the day before.*

† *Or, he goats.*

* Chap. 28. 18.

† *Hebr. Teraphim.*

† *Heb. she hearts of Laban.*

† *Hebr. from good to bad.*

his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.

26 And Laban said to Iacob, What hast thou done, that thou hast stollen away vnawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captiues *taken* with the sword?

27 Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and † steale away from me, and didst not tell me? that I might haue sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harpe,

† Hebr. hast stolne me.

28 And hast not suffered me to kisse my sonnes and my daughters? thou hast now done foolishly in *so* doing.

29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake vnto me yesternight, saying, Take thou heed that thou speake not to Iacob either good or bad.

30 And now *though* thou wouldst needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy fathers house; *yet* wherefore hast thou stollen my gods?

31 And Iacob answered, and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me.

32 With whomsoeuer thou findest thy gods, let him not liue: before our brethren discerne thou what is thine with me, and take it to thee: for Iacob knew not that Rachel had stollen them.

33 And Laban went into Iacobs tent, and into Leahs tent, and into the two maid seruants tents: but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Leahs tent, and entred into Rachels tent.

34 Now Rachel had taken the images, and put them in the camels furniture, and sate vpon them: and Laban † searched all the tent, but found *them* not.

† Hebr. felt,

35 And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord, that I cannot rise vp before thee; for the custome of women is vpon me: and he searched, but found not the images.

36 ¶ And Iacob was wroth, and chode with Laban, and Iacob answered and said to Laban, What *is* my trespasse? what *is* my sinne, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?

37 Whereas thou hast † searched all my stuffe? what hast thou found of all thy houshold stuffe? set it here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may iudge betwixt vs both.

† Hebr. felt.

38 This twenty yeeres *haue* I *been* with thee: thy ewes and thy shee goats haue not cast their young, and the rams of thy flocke haue I not eaten.

39 That which was torne *of beasts* I brought not vnto thee, I bare the losse of it: of * my hand didst thou require it, whether stollen by day, or stollen by night.

* Exod. 22.12.

40 *Thus* I was in the day, the drought consumed me, and the frost by night, and my sleepe departed from mine eyes.

41 Thus haue I been twenty yeeres in thy house: I serued thee fourteene yeeres for thy two daughters, and six yeeres for thy cattell; and thou hast changed my wages ten times.

42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the feare of Isaac had beene with me, surely thou hadst sent me now away empty: God hath seene mine affliction, and the labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* yesternight.

43 ¶ And Laban answered, and said vnto Iacob, These daughters are my daughters, and these children are my children, and these cattell are my cattell, and all that thou seest is mine: and what can I doe this day vnto these my daughters, or vnto their children which they haue borne?

44 Now therefore come thou, let vs make a couenant, I and thou: and let it be for a witnesse betweene me and thee.

45 And Iacob tooke a stone, and set it vp for a pillar.

46 And Iacob said vnto his brethren, Gather stones: and they tooke stones, and made an heape, and they did eat there vpon the heape.

47 And Laban called it ‖ Iegar Sahadutha: but Iacob called it Galeed.

48 And Laban said, This heape is a witnesse betweene me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed,

49 And ‖ Mizpah: for he said, The LORD watch betweene me and thee, when we are absent one from another.

50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take *other* wiues beside my daughters, no man is with vs: See, God is witnes betwixt me & thee.

51 And Laban said to Iacob, Behold this heape, and behold this pillar, which I haue cast betwixt me and thee.

52 This heape be witnes, and this pillar be witnesse, that I will not passe ouer this heape to thee, and that thou shalt not passe ouer this heape, and this pillar vnto me, for harme.

53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, iudge betwixt vs. And Iacob sware by the feare of his father Isaac.

54 Then Iacob ‖ offered sacrifice vpon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread, and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.

55 And early in the morning, Laban rose vp, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned to his place.

CHAP. XXXII.

1 Iacobs vision at Mahanaim. 3 His message to Esau. 6 He is afraid of Esaus comming. 9 He prayeth for deliuerance. 13 He sendeth a present to Esau. 24 He wrestleth with an Angel at Penuel where he is called Israel. 31 He halteth.

AND Iacob went on his way, and the Angels of God met him.

2 And when Iacob saw them, he said, This is Gods hoste: and he called the name of that place ‖ Mahanaim.

3 And Iacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother, vnto the land of Seir, the † country of Edom.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye speake vnto my lord Esau, Thy seruant Iacob saith thus, I haue sojourned with Laban, and stayed there vntill now.

5 And I haue oxen, and asses, flockes, and menseruants, and women seruants: and I haue sent to tell my lord, that I may finde grace in thy sight.

6 ¶ And the messengers returned to Iacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau, & also he commeth to meet thee, and foure hundred men with him.

7 Then Iacob was greatly afraid, and distressed: and he diuided the people that was with him, and the flockes and herds and the camels, into two bands,

8 And said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the other company which is left shall escape.

9 ¶ And Iacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, the LORD which saidst vnto me, * Returne vnto thy kinred, and I will deal

10 † I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth which thou hast shewed vnto thy seruant; for with my staffe I passed ouer this

Iordane, and now I am become two bands.
11 Deliuer me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother from the hand of Esau: for I feare him, lest he will come and smite mee, and the mother with the children.
12 And thou saidest, I will surely doe thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the Sea, which cannot be numbred for multitude.
13 ¶ And he lodged there that same night, and tooke of that which came to his hand, a present for Esau his brother.
14 Two hundred shee goates, and twentie hee goates, two hundred ewes, and twentie rammes,
15 Thirty milch camels with their colts, fourtie kine, and ten bulls, twenty shee asses, & ten foales.
16 And hee deliuered *them* into the hand of his seruants, euery droue by themselues, and said vnto his seruants, Passe ouer before me, and put a space betwixt droue and droue.
17 And hee commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, Whose *art* thou? and whether goest thou? and whose *are* these before thee?
18 Then thou shalt say, They *be* thy seruant Iacob: it is a present sent vnto my lord Esau: and behold also he is behind vs.
19 And so commanded hee the second, and the third, and all that followed the droues, saying, On this manner shall yee speake vnto Esau, when you find him.
20 And say ye moreouer, Behold, thy seruant Iacob is behind vs: for hee said, I will appease him with the present that goeth before me: and afterward I will see his face: peraduenture he will accept † of me.
21 So went the present ouer before him: and himselfe lodged that night in the company.
22 And he rose vp that night, and tooke his two wiues, and his two women-seruants, and his eleuen sonnes, and passed ouer the foord Iabbok.
23 And he tooke them, and† sent them ouer the brooke, and sent ouer that he had.
24 ¶ And Iacob was left alone: and there wrestled a man with him, vntill the † breaking of the day.
25 And when he saw that he preuailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh: and the hollow of Iacobs thigh was out of ioynt, as hee wrestled with him.
26 And he said, Let mee goe, for the day breaketh. And he said, *I will not let thee goe, except thou blesse me.
27 And hee said vnto him, What is thy name? and he said, Iacob.
28 And he said, *Thy name shall be called no more Iacob, but Israel: for as a Prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast preuailed.
29 And Iacob asked *him*, and said, Tell me, I pray thee thy name: and he said, Wherefore is it that thou doest aske after my name? and hee blessed him there.
30 And Iacob called the name of the place ‖ Peniel: for I haue seene God face to face, and my life is preserued.
31 And as he passed ouer Penuel, the Sunne rose vpon him, and he halted vpon his thigh.
32 Therefore the children of Israel eat not of the sinew which shranke, which is vpon the hollow of the thigh, vnto this day: because hee touched the hollow of Iacobs thigh, in the sinew that shranke.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 *The kindnesse of Iacob and Esau at their meeting.* 17 *Iacob commeth to Succoth.* 18 *At Salem he buyeth a field, and buildeth an Altar called Elohe-Israel.*

AND Iacob lifted vp his eyes, and looked, and behold, Esau came, and with him foure hundred men: and he diuided the children vnto Leah, and vnto Rachel, and vnto the two handmaids.
2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Ioseph hindermost.
3 And her passed ouer before them, and bowed himselfe to the ground seuen times, vntill he came neere to his brother.
4 And Esau ranto meet him, and imbraced him, and fell on his necke, & kissed him, and they wept.
5 And hee lift vp his eyes, and saw the women, and the children, and said, Who are those † with thee? And he said, The children which God hath graciously giuen thy seruant. † *Hebr.* *to thee.*
6 Then the handmaidens came neere, they and their children, and they bowed themselues.
7 And Leah also with her children came neere, and bowed themselues: and after came Ioseph neere, and Rachel, and they bowed themselues.
8 And he said, † What meanest thou by all this droue, which I met? And he said, *These are* to finde grace in the sight of my lord. † *Hebr.* *what is all this band to thee?*
9 And Esau said, I haue enough: my brother, † keepe that thou hast vnto thy selfe. † *Hebr.* *be that to thee that is thine.*
10 And Iacob said, Nay, I pray thee: If now I haue found grace in thy sight, then receiue my present at my hand: for therefore I haue seene thy face, as though I had seene the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me.
11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee, because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I haue enough, and he vrged him, and he tooke *it*.
12 And he said, Let vs take our iourney, and let vs goe, and I will goe before thee. † *Heb.* *according to the foot of the work, & according to the foot of the children.*
13 And he said vnto him, My lord knoweth, that the children are tender, and the flockes and herds with young are with me: and if men should ouerdrue them one day, all the flocke will die.
14 Let my lord, I pray thee, passe ouer before his seruant, and I will lead on softly, according † as the cattell that goeth before me, and the children be able to endure, vntill I come vnto my lord vnto Seir. † *Hebr.* *Set, or place.*
15 And Esau said, Let me now † leaue with thee *some* of the folke that are with me: And he said, † What needeth it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord. † *Hebr.* *wherefore is this?*
16 ¶ So Esau returned that day on his way vnto Seir.
17 And Iacob iourneyed to Succoth, and built him an house, and made boothes for his cattell: therefore the name of the place is called ‖ Succoth. ‖ *That is, boothes.*
18 ¶ And Iacob came to Shalem, a city of * Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, when hee came from Padan-Aram, and pitched his tent before the city. * *Called,* Act. 7. 16. *Sychem.*
19 And hee bought a parcell of a field where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of * Hamor, Shechems father, for an hundred ‖ pieces of money. * *Called,* Act. 7. 16. *Emor.* ‖ *Or, lambes.*
20 And he erected there an Altar, and called it ‖ El-Elohe-Israel. ‖ *That is, God the, God of Israel.*

CHAP. XXXIIII.

1 *Dinah is rauished by Shechem.* 4 *He sueth to marry her.* 13 *The sonnes of Iacob offer the condition of Circumcision to the Shechemites.* 20 *Hamor and Shechem perswade them to accept it.*

25 *The sonnes of Iacob vpon that aduantage slay them.* 27 *and spoile their city.* 30 *Iacob reproueth Simeon and Leui.*

AND Dinah the daughter of Leah, which shee bare vnto Iacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when Shechem the sonne of Hamor the Hinite, Prince of the countrey saw her, hee tooke her, and lay with her, and † defiled her.

† Hebr. humbled her.

3 And his soule clane vnto Dinah the daughter of Iacob, and hee loued the Damosell, and spake † kindly vnto the Damosell.

† Heb. to her heart

4 And Shechem spake vnto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this damosell to wife.

5 And Iacob heard that hee had defiled Dinah his daughter (now his sonnes were with his cattell in the field) and Iacob held his peace vntill they were come.

6 ¶ And Hamor the father of Shechem, went out vnto Iacob, to commune with him.

7 And the sonnes of Iacob came out of the field when they heard it, and the men were grieued: and they were very wroth, because he had wrought folly in Israel, in lying with Iacobs daughter, which thing ought not to be done.

8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soule of my sonne Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you giue her him to wife.

9 And make ye mariages with vs, and giue your daughters vnto vs, & take our daughters vnto you.

10 And ye shall dwell with vs, and the land shall be before you: dwell and trade you therein, and get you possessions therein.

11 And Shechem said vnto her father, and vnto her brethren, Let me finde grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say vnto me, I will giue.

12 Aske me neuer so much dowry and gift, and I will giue according as ye shall say vnto mee: but giue me the damosell to wife.

13 And the sons of Iacob answered Shechem, and Hamor his father, deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah their sister.

14 And they said vnto them, Wee cannot doe this thing, to giue our sister to one that is vncircumcised: for that were a reproach vnto vs.

15 But in this will we consent vnto you: If yee will bee, as we *be*, that euery male of you bee circumcised:

16 Then will we giue our daughters vnto you, and we will take your daughters to vs, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.

17 But if ye will not hearken vnto vs to be circumcised, then will we take our daughter and we will be gone.

18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamors sonne.

19 And the young man deferred not to doe the thing, because he had delight in Iacobs daughter: and he was more honourable then all the house of his father.

20 ¶ And Hamor and Shechem his sonne came vnto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying,

21 These men are peaceable with vs, therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein: for the land, behold it is large enough for them: let vs take their daughters to vs for wiues, and let vs giue them our daughters.

22 Onely herein will the men consent vnto vs, for to dwell with vs to bee one people, if euery male among vs be circumcised, as they are circumcised.

23 Shall not their cattell and their substance, and euery beast of theirs be ours? onely let vs consent vnto them, and they will dwell with vs.

24 And vnto Hamor, and vnto Shechem his sonne hearkened all that went out of the gate of his city; and euery male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of the city.

25 ¶ And it came to passe on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Iacob, Simeon and Leui, Dinahs brethren, tooke eyther his sword, and came vpon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

26 And they slew Hamor, and Shechem his sonne, with the † edge of the sword, and tooke Dinah out of Shechems house, and went out.

† Hebr. mouth

27 The sons of Iacob came vpon the slaine, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They tooke their sheepe and their oxen, and their asses, and that which *was* in the city, and that which *was* in the field.

29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wiues tooke they captiue, and spoiled euen all that *was* in the house.

30 And Iacob said to Simeon and Leui, Ye haue troubled me, to make mee to stinke among the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites: and I being few in number, they shall gather themselues together against me, and slay me, and I shall be destroyed, I and my house.

31 And they said, Should he deale with our sister as with a harlot?

CHAP. XXXV.

1 *God sendeth Iacob to Bethel:* 2 *He purgeth his house of idols.* 6 *He buildeth an Altar at Bethel.* 8 *Deborah dieth at Allon Bachuth.* 9 *God blesseth Iacob at Bethel.* 16 *Rachel trauaileth of Benjamin, and dieth in the way to Edar.* 22 *Reuben lyeth with Bilhah.* 23 *The sonnes of Iacob.* 27 *Iacob commeth to Isaac at Hebron.* 28 *The age and death and buriall of Isaac.*

AND God said vnto Iacob, Arise, goe vp to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar vnto God that appeared vnto thee, * when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.

2 Then Iacob said vnto his household, & to all that were with him; Put away the strange gods that are among you, & be cleane, and change your garments:

3 And let vs arise and goe vp to Bethel, and I will make there an Altar vnto God, who answered me in the day of my distresse, and was with me in the way which I went.

4 And they gaue vnto Iacob all the strange gods which *were* in their hand, and all their eare rings which *were* in their eares, and Iacob hid them vnder the oake which was by Shechem.

5 And they iourneyed: and the terrour of God was vpon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Iacob.

6 ¶ So Iacob came to Luz, which *is* in the land of Canaan (that *is* Bethel) he and all the people that *were* with him,

7 And he built there an Altar, and † called the place El-Bethel, because there God appeared vnto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

† El-Bethel, that is, The God of the house of God.

8 But Deborah, Rebekahs nurse, died, and she was buried beneath Bethel vnder an oake: and the name of it was called † Allon Bachuth.

† That is, The oake of weeping.

9 ¶ And God appeared vnto Iacob againe, when he came out of Padan-Aram, and blessed him.

10 And God said vnto him, Thy name *is* Iacob: thy name shall not be called Iacob any more, but Israel shall be thy name: & he called his name Israel.

11 And God said vnto him, I *am* God Almighty:

ll and multiply, a nation and a company
s shall be of thee, and Kings shall come
y loynes.
the land which I gaue Abraham and Isaac,
will giue it, and to thy seed after thee
iue the land.
d God went vp from him in the place
e talked with him.
nd Iacob set vp a pillar in the place where
d with him, euen a pillar of stone: and hee
a drinke offering thereon, and hee powred
reon.
d Iacob called the name of the place where
ke with him, Bethel.
And they iourneyed from Bethel: and there
a † little way to come to Ephrath: and
travelled, and she had hard labour.
nd it came to passe when shee was in hard
that the mid-wife said vnto her, Feare not:
alt haue this sonne also.
nd it came to passe as her soule was in de-
, (for shee died) that shee called his name
nit: but his father called him Beniamin.
nd Rachel died, and was buried in the way
rath, which is Bethlehem.
nd Iacob set a pillar vpon her graue: that
illar of Rachels graue vnto this day.
And Israel iourneyed, and spread his tent
the tower of Edar.
nd it came to passe when Israel dwelt in
d, that Reuben went and * lay with Bilhah
ers concubine: and Israel heard it. Now
n of Iacob were twelue.
he sonnes of Leah: Reuben, Iacobs first
and Simeon, and Leui, and Iudah, and Issa-
nd Zebulun.
he sonnes of Rachel: Ioseph and Beniamin.
nd the sonnes of Bilhah, Rachels handmaid:
nd Naphtali.
nd the sonnes of Zilpah, Leahs handmaid:
d Asher. These *are* the sonns of Iacob which
ere to him in Padan Aram.
And Iacob came vnto Isaac his father vnto
, vnto the city of Arbah (which is Hebron)
Abraham and Isaac sojourned.
nd the dayes of Isaac were an hundred and
ie yeeres.
nd Isaac gaue vp the ghost, and died, and was
ied vnto his people, being old and full of
s: and his sonnes Esau and Iacob buried him.

CHAP. XXXVI.

Esau three wiues. 6 His removing to mount Seir. His sonnes. 15 The Dukes which descended of them. 20 The sonnes and Dukes of Seir. 24 Anah finds mules. 31 The kings of Edom. 40 The Dukes that descended of Esau.

Now these are the generations of Esau, who *is* Edom.
Esau tooke his wiues of the daughters of Ca-
Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and
anah the daughter of Anah, the daughter of
n the Hiuite:
nd Bathemath, Ishmaels daughter, sister of
oth.
nd * Adah bare to Esau, Eliphaz: and Bashe-
bare Reuel.
ai Aholibamah bare Ieush, and Iaalam, and
: these are the sonnes of Esau, which were
vnto him in the land of Canaan.
nd Esau tooke his wiues, and his sonnes, and
ughters, and all the † persons of his house, and
ttell, and all his beasts, and all his substance
which he had got in the land of Canaan: and went into the countrey from ‖ the face of his brother Iacob.
7 For their riches were more then that they might dwell together: and the land wherein they were strangers, could not beare them, because of their cattell.
8 Thus dwelt Esau in * mount Seir: Esau is Edō
9 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Esau, the father of † the Edomites in mount Seir.
10 These *are* the names of Esaus sonnes: * Eliphaz the sonne of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the sonne of Bashemath the wife of Esau.
11 And the sonnes of Eliphaz were, Teman, Omer, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.
12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esaus sonne, and she bare to Eliphaz, Amalek: these were the sonnes of Adah, Esaus wife.
13 And these *are* the sonnes of Reuel: Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sonnes of Bashemath, Esaus wife.
14 ¶ And these were the sonnes of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah, daughter of Zibeon, Esaus wife, and she bare to Esau, Ieush, and Iaalam, and Korah.
15 ¶ These *were* Dukes of the sons of Esau: the sonnes of Eliphaz the first borne son of Esau, Duke Teman, Duke Omer, Duke Zepho, Duke Kenaz.
16 Duke Korah, Duke Gatam, & Duke Amalek. These *are* the Dukes *that came* of Eliphaz, in the land of Edom: These *were* the sons of Adah.
17 ¶ And these *are* the sonnes of Reuel, Esaus sonne: Duke Nahath, Duke Zerah, Duke Shammah, Duke Mizzah. These *are* the Dukes *that came* of Reuel, in the land of Edom. These *are* the sons of Bashemath, Esaus wife.
18 ¶ And these *are* the sonnes of Aholibamah, Esaus wife: Duke Ieush, Duke Iaalam, Duke Korah: These *were* the Dukes *that came* of Aholibmah, the daughter of Anah, Esaus wife.
19 These *are* the sonnes of Esau (who *is* Edom) and these *are* their Dukes.
20 ¶ * These *are* the sonnes of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land, Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,
21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these *are* the Dukes of the Horites the children of Seir in the land of Edom.
22 And the children of Lotan, were Hori, and Heman: and Lotans sister *was* Timna.
23 And the children of Shobal *were* these: Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and Onam.
24 And these *are* the children of Zibeon, both Aiah, and Anah: this *was* that Anah that found the mules in the wildernesse, as he fed the asses of Zibeon, his father.
25 And the children of Anah *were* these: Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.
26 And these *are* the children of Dishon: Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.
27 The children of Ezor *are* these: Bilhan, and Zaauan, and Akan.
28 The children of Dishan *are* these: Vz & Aran.
29 These *are* the Dukes *that came* of the Horites: duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah
30 Duke Dishon, Duke Ezer, Duke Dishan: these *are* the Dukes *that came* of Hori, among their Dukes in the land of Seir.
31 ¶ And these *are* the Kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any King over the children of Israel.
32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.
33 And Bela died, and Iobab the sonne of Ze-

* Iosh. 24. 4.
† Heb. Edom.
* 1. Chro. 1. 35. & 9.
* 1. Chro. 1. 38.

12ah of Bezra reigned in his stead.

34 And Iobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.

35 And Husham died, & Hadad the son of Bedad, (who smote Midian in the field of Moab) reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Anith.

36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Mazrekah reigned in his stead.

37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth, by the riuer reigned in his stead.

38 And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the sonne of Achbor reigned in his stead.

39 And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pau, and his wiues name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

40 And these are the names of the Dukes that came of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names: Duke Timnah, Duke Aluah Duke Ietheth,

41 Duke Aholibamah, Duke Elah, Duke Pinon,

42 Duke Kenaz, Duke Teman, Duke Mibzar,

43 Duke Magdiel, Duke Iram. These bee the Dukes of Edom, according to their habitations, in the land of their possession: he is Esau the father of the Edomites.

‡Hebr. Edom.

CHAP. XXXVII.

Ioseph is hated of his brethren. 5 His two dreames. 13 Iacob sendeth him to visite his brethren. 18 His brethren conspire his death. 21 Reuben saueth him. 26 They sell him to the Ishmeelites. 31 His father destined by the bloody coat mourneth for him. 36 He is sold to Potiphar in Egypt.

AND Iacob dwelt in the land † wherein his father was a stranger in the land of Canaan.

†Hebr. of his fathers sojournings

2 These are the generations of Iacob: Ioseph being seuenteene yeeres old, was feeding the flocke with his brethren, and the lad was with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah his fathers wiues: and Ioseph brought vnto his father their euill report.

3 Now Israel loued Ioseph more then all his children, because he was the sonne of his old age: and he made him a coat of many ‖colours.

‖Or, pieces.

4 And when his brethren saw that their father loued him more then all his brethren, they hated him and could not speake peaceably vnto him.

5 ¶ And Ioseph dreamed a dreame, and he told it his brethren, and they hated him yet the more.

6 And he said vnto them, Heare I pray you, this dreame which I haue dreamed.

7 For behold, we were binding sheaues in the field, and loe, my sheafe arose, and also stood vpright, and beholde, your sheaues stood round about and made obeisance to my sheafe.

8 And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reigne ouer vs? or shalt thou indeed haue dominion ouer vs? and they hated him yet the more, for his dreames, and for his words.

9 ¶ And he dreamed yet another dreame and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I haue dreamed a dreame more: and behold, the Sun, and the Moone, and the eleuen starres made obeisance to me.

10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said vnto him, What *is* this dreame that thou hast dreamed? Shall I, and thy mother, and thy brethren indeed come to bow downe our selues to thee to the earth?

11 And his brethren enuied him: but his father obserued the saying.

12 ¶ And his brethren went to feed their fathers flocke in Shechem.

13 And Israel said vnto Ioseph, Doe not thy brethren feed *your* flock in Shechem? Come, & I will sende thee vnto them: and he said to him, Here am I.

14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with thy brethren, & well with the flockes, and bring me word again: so he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.

15 ¶ And a certaine man found him, and behold, hee was wandring in the field, and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?

16 And hee said, I seeke my brethren, tell me I pray thee, where they feed their flockes?

17 And *the* man said, They are departed hence: for I heard them say, Let vs goe to Dothan. And Ioseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan.

18 And when they saw him afarre off, euen before hee came neere vnto them, they conspired against him to slay him. Rom. 4. 2. 24.

19 And they said one to another, Behold, this † dreamer commeth.

20 Come now therefore and let vs slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some euill beast hath deuoured him: and wee shall see what will become of his dreames.

21 And ‖ Reuben heard *it*; and he deliuered him out of their hands, and said, Let vs not kill him.

22 And Reuben said vnto them, Shed no blood, but cast him into this pit that is in the wilderneſſe, and lay no hand vpon him, That he might rid him out of their hands, to deliuer him to his father againe.

23 ¶ And it came to passe when Ioseph was come vnto his brethren, that they stripte Ioseph out of his coat, his coat of many ‖colours that *was* on him.

24 And they tooke him, and cast him into a pit, and the pit *was* empty, *there was* no water in it.

25 And they sate downe to eat bread: and they lift vp their eyes, and looked, and behold, a company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead, with their camels, bearing spicery, and balme, and myrrhe, going to carry *it* downe to Egypt.

26 And Iudah said vnto his brethren, What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and conceale his blood?

27 Come, and let vs sell him to the Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be vpon him, for he is our brother, and our flesh: and his brethren were content.

28 Then there passed by Midianites, merchantmen, and they drew and lift vp Ioseph out of the pit, and ‖ sold Ioseph to the Ishmeelites for twenty *pieces* of siluer: & they brought Ioseph into Egypt.

29 ¶ And Reuben returned vnto the pit & behold, Ioseph was not in the pit: and he rent his clothes.

30 And he returned vnto his brethren, and said, The child is not, and I, whither shall I goe?

31 And they tooke Iosephs coat and killed a kid of the goates, and dipped the coat in the blood.

32 And they sent the coat of many colours, and they brought *it* to their father, and said, This haue we found: know now whether it be thy sonnes coat or no.

33 And he knew *it*, and said, *It is* my sonnes coat, an ‖ euill beast hath deuoured him; Ioseph is without doubt rent in pieces.

34 And Iacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth vpon his loynes, & mourned for his sonne many dayes.

35 And all his sons, and all his daughters rose vp to comfort him: but he refused to be comforted, and he said, For I will goe downe into the graue vnto my sonne, mourning: thus his father wept for him.

36 And the Midianites sold him into Egypt vnto Potiphar, an † Officer of Pharaohs, and † Captaine of the guard.

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CHAP. XXXVIII.

Iudah begetteth Er, Onan, and Shelah. 6 Er marieth Tamar. 8 The trespasse of Onan. 11 Tamar stayeth for Shelah. 13 She deceiueth Iudah. 27 Pharez & Zarah twinnes.

1 ¶ It came to passe at that time, that Iudah went downe from his brethren, and turned in to a certaine Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.
2 And Iudah saw there a daughter of a certaine Canaanite, whose name was * Shuah: and he tooke her, and went in vnto her.
3 And shee conceiued, and bare a sonne, and he called his name Er.
4 *And she conceiued againe, and bare a sonne, and she called his name Onan.
5 And she yet againe conceiued, and bare a sonne, and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib when she bare him.
6 And Iudah tooke a wife for Er his first borne, whose name was Tamar.
7 And * Er Iudahs first borne was wicked in the sight of the LORD, and the LORD slew him.
8 And Iudah said vnto Onan, Goe in vnto thy brothers wife, and marry her, and raise vp seed to thy brother.
9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be his: and it came to passe when he went in vnto his brothers wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should giue seed vnto his brother.
10 And the thing which he did † displeased the LORD, wherefore he slew him also.
11 Then said Iudah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remaine a widow at thy fathers house, till Shelah my sonne be growne: (for he said, Lest peraduenture he die also as his brethren did) and Tamar went and dwelt in her fathers house.
12 ¶ And † in processe of time the daughter of Shuah Iudahs wife died: and Iudah was comforted, and went vp vnto his sheep-shearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.
13 And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold, thy father in law goeth vp to Timnath to sheare his sheepe.
14 And she put her widowes garments off from her, and couered her with a vaile, and wrapped her selfe, and sate in † an open place, which is by the way to Timnath: for shee saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not giuen vnto him to wife.
15 When Iudah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot: because she had couered her face.
16 And he turned vnto her by the way, and said, Goe to, I pray thee, let me come in vnto thee: (for he knew not that shee was his daughter in law) and she said, What wilt thou giue me, that thou mayest come in vnto me?
17 And he said, I will send thee † a kid from the flocke: and shee said, Wilt thou giue me a pledge till thou send it?
18 And he said, What pledge shall I giue thee? and she said, Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staffe that is in thine hand: and he gaue it her, and came in vnto her, and she conceiued by him.
19 And shee arose, and went away, and laid by her vaile from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.
20 And Iudah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receiue his pledge from the womans hand, but he found her not.
21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where is the harlot ỹ was openly by the way side? and they said, There was no harlot in this place.
22 And he returned to Iudah, and said, I cannot find her: and also the men of the place said, That there was no harlot in this place.
23 And Iudah said, Let her take it to her, lest we † be shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her.
24 ¶ And it came to passe about three moneths after, that it was told Iudah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot: and also behold, she is with child by whoredome: and Iudah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.
25 When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man whose these are am I with child: and she said, Discerne, I pray thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and staffe.
26 And Iudah acknowledged *them*, and said, She hath beene more righteous then I: because that I gaue her not to Shelah my sonne: and hee knew her againe no more.
27 ¶ And it came to passe in the time of her trauell, that behold, twinnes were in her wombe.
28 And it came to passe when she trauailed, that *the one* put out his hand, and the mid-wife tooke and bound vpon his hand a scarlet threed, saying, This came out first.
29 And it came to passe as hee drew backe his hand, that behold, his brother came out: & she said, ‖ How hast thou broken forth? *this* breach *be* vpon thee: therefore his name was called * Pharez.
30 And afterward came out his brother that *had* the scarlet threed vpon his hand, and his name was called Zarah.

† *Heb.* become a contempt.

‖ *Or,* wherefore hast thou made this breach against thee? ‖ *That is,* a breach.

* 1. Chron. 2. 4. matth. 1. 3.

CHAP. XXXIX.

1 Ioseph aduanced in Potiphars house. 7 He resisteth his mistresses temptation. 19 Hee is falsly accused. 19 He is cast in prison. 21 God is with him there.

1 AND Ioseph was brought downe to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captaine of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hand of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.
2 And the LORD was with Ioseph, and he was a prosperous man, and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.
3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand,
4 And Ioseph found grace in his sight, and he serued him, and he made him ouerseer ouer his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.
5 And it came to passe, from the time that he had made him ouerseer in his house, and ouer all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptians house for Iosephs sake: and the blessing of the LORD was vpon all that he had in the house, and in the field.
6 And he left all that he had in Iosephs hand: and hee knew not ought hee had, saue the bread which he did eat: and Ioseph was a goodly person, and well fauoured.
7 ¶ And it came to passe after these things, that his masters wife cast her eyes vpon Ioseph, and she said, Lie with me.
8 But he refused, and said vnto his masters wife, Behold, my master woteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand.
9 There is none greater in this house then I: neither hath hee kept backe any thing from mee, but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I doe this great wickednesse, and sinne against God?
10 And it came to passe, as shee spake to Ioseph day by day, that he hearkened not vnto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

Genes 25. 19 13. 14. 16.

11 And

11 And it came to passe about this time, that Ioseph went into the house to doe his businesse, & there was none of the men of the house there within.

12 And shee caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with mee: and hee left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

13 And it came to passe, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth;

14 That she called vnto the men of her house, and spake vnto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hebrew vnto vs, to mocke vs: he came in vnto me to lie with me, and I cried with a † loud voyce.

15 And it came to passe, when hee heard that I lifted vp my voyce, and cryed, that he left his garment with me, and fled, and got him out.

16 And shee laid vp his garment by her, vntill her lord came home.

17 And shee spake vnto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew seruant which thou hast brought vnto vs, came in vnto me, to mocke me.

18 And it came to passe, as I lift vp my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, & fled out.

19 And it came to passe, when his master heard the words of his wife, which shee spake vnto him, saying, After this manner did thy seruant to mee, that his wrath was kindled.

20 And Iosephs master tooke him, and put him into the prison, a place where the Kings prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison.

21 ¶ But the LORD was with Ioseph, and † shewed him mercy, and gaue him fauour in the sight of the Keeper of the prison.

22 And the Keeper of the prison committed to Iosephs hand all the prisoners that *were* in the prison, and whatsoeuer they did there, hee was the doer *of it*.

23 The Keeper of the prison looked not to any thing *that was* vnder his hand, because the LORD was with him: and that which he did, the LORD made *it* to prosper.

CHAP. XL.

1 *The Butler and Baker of Pharaoh in prison.* 4 *Ioseph hath charge of them.* 5 *He interpreteth their dreames.* 20 *They come to passe according to his interpretation.* 23 *The ingratitude of the Butler.*

AND it came to passe after these things, that the Butler of the King of Egypt, and *his* Baker, had offended their lord the King of Egypt.

2 And Pharaoh was wroth against two of his Officers, against the chiefe of the Butlers, and against the chiefe of the Bakers.

3 And hee put them in ward in the house of the Captaine of the guard, into the prison, the place where Ioseph was bound.

4 And the captaine of the guard charged Ioseph with them, and he serued them, and they continued a season in ward.

5 ¶ And they dreamed a dreame both of them, each man his dreame in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dreame, the Butler and the Baker of the king of Egypt, which were bound in the prison.

6 And Ioseph came in vnto them in the morning, and looked vpon them, and behold, they *were* sad.

7 And he asked Pharaohs Officers that were with him in the ward of his lords house, saying, Wherefore † looke ye so sadly to day?

8 And they said vnto him, Wee haue dreamed a dreame, and there is no interpreter of it. And Ioseph said vnto them, Doe not interpretations belong to God? tell me them, I pray you.

9 And the chiefe Butler told his dreame to Ioseph, and said vnto him, In my dreame, behold, a vine was before me:

10 And in the vine *were* three branches: and it was as though it budded, and her blossomes shot forth; *and* the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes:

11 And Pharaohs cup was in my hand: and I tooke the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaohs cup, and I gaue the cup into Pharaohs hand.

12 And Ioseph said vnto him, This is the interpretation of it: the three branches are three dayes:

13 Yet within three dayes shall Pharaoh lift vp thine head, and restore thee vnto thy place: and thou shalt deliuer Pharaohs cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler.

14 But † thinke on mee, when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindnesse, I pray thee, vnto me, and make mention of mee vnto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house.

15 For indeed I was stollen away out of the land of the Hebrewes, and here also haue I done nothing, that they should put me into the dungeon.

16 When the chiefe Baker saw that the interpretation was good, hee said vnto Ioseph, I also was in my dreame, and behold, I had three white baskets on my head.

17 And in the vppermost basket there was of all manner of † bake-meats for Pharaoh, and the birds did eat them out of the basket vpon my head.

18 And Ioseph answered, and said, This is the interpretation thereof: the three baskets are three dayes:

19 Yet within three dayes shall Pharaoh lift vp thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree, and the birds shal eat thy flesh from off thee.

20 ¶ And it came to passe the third day, which *was* Pharaohs birth-day, that he made a feast vnto all his seruants: and he lifted vp the head of the chiefe Butler, and of the chiefe Baker among his seruants.

21 And hee restored the chiefe Butler vnto his Butlership againe, and hee gaue the cup into Pharaohs hand.

22 But he hanged the chiefe Baker, as Ioseph had interpreted to them.

23 Yet did not the chiefe Butler remember Ioseph, but forgate him.

CHAP. XLI.

1 *Pharaohs two dreames:* 9 *Ioseph interpreteth them.* 33 *He giueth Pharaoh counsell.* 38 *He is aduanced.* 50 *He begetteth Manasseh and Ephraim.* 54 *The famine beginneth.*

AND it came to passe at the end of two yeeres, that Pharaoh dreamed: and behold, he stood by the riuer,

2 And behold, there came vp out of the riuer seuen well-fauoured kine, and fat-fleshed, and they fed in a meadow.

3 And behold, seuen other kine came vp after them out of the riuer, ill-fauoured, and leane-fleshed, and stood by the other kine vpon the brinke of the riuer.

4 And the ill-fauoured and leane-fleshed kine did eat vp the seuen well-fauoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

5 And he slept, and dreamed the second time: and behold, seuen eares of corne came vp vpon one stalke, † ranke and good.

6 And behold, seuen thin eares, and blasted with the East wind, sprung vp after them.

7 And the seuen thin eares deuoured the seuen ranke and full eares: and Pharaoh awoke, and behold, *it was* a dreame.

Susanna. 1.21.41

† Heb. great. 1 Kings. 21.7.

† Hebr. extended kindnesse vnto him

† Heb. are your faces euill?

And it came to passe in the morning, that his
it was troubled, and he sent and called for all
Magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men ther-
and Pharaoh told them his dreame: but there
none that could interpret them vnto Pharaoh.
¶ Then spake the chiefe Butler vnto Pharaoh,
ing, I doe remember my faults this day.
o Pharaoh was wroth with his seruants, and put
in ward in the captaine of the guards house,
me, and the chiefe baker.
1 And wee dreamed a dreame in one night, I
d he: we dreamed each man according to the in-
preration of his dreame.
2 And *there was* there with vs a young man, an
brew, seruant to the captaine of the guard: and
e told him, and hee *interpreted to vs our
eames, to each man according to his dreame hee
d interprete.
3 And it came to passe as hee interpreted to vs,
it was; me he restored vnto mine office, and him
hanged.
4 ¶ *Then Pharaoh sent and called Ioseph, and
y † brought him hastily out of the dungeon:
d he shaued himselfe, and changed his raiment,
d came in vnto Pharaoh.
5 And Pharaoh said vnto Ioseph, I haue drea-
d a dreame, and there is none that can interpret
: and I haue heard say of thee, *that* ‖ thou canst
derstand a dreame to interpret it.
6 And Ioseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not
me: God shal giue Pharaoh an answer of peace.
7 And Pharaoh said vnto Ioseph, In my dreame,
hold, I stood vpon the banke of the riuer.
8 And behold, there came vp out of the riuer
en kine, fat-fleshed, and well-fauoured, and they
d in a meadow.
9 And behold, seuen other kine came vp after
m, poore, and very ill fauoured, and leane-flesh-
, such as I neuer saw in all the land of Egypt for
dnesse.
0 And the leane, and the ill-fauoured kine, did
e vp the first seuen fat kine.
1 And when they had † eaten them vp, it could
t be knowne *y* they had eaten them, but they were
ll ill-fauoured, as at the beginning: So I awoke.
2 And I saw in my dreame, and behold, seuen
res came vp in one stalke, full and good.
3 And behold, seuen eares ‖ withered, thin, and
sted with the East wind, sprung vp after them.
4 And the thin eares deuoured the seuen good
es: and I told this vnto the Magicians, but
re was none that could declare *it* vnto me.
5 ¶ And Ioseph said vnto Pharaoh, The dreame
Pharaoh is one: God hath shewed Pharaoh
at he is about to doe.
6 The seuen good kine are seuen yeeres, and the
n good eares are seuen yeres: the dreame is one.
7 And the seuen thin and ill fauoured kine
t came vp after them, are seuen yeeres: and the
n empty eares blasted with the East wind, shall
seuen yeeres of famine.
8 This *is* the thing which I haue spoken vnto
araoh: what God is about to doe, hee sheweth
o Pharaoh
9 Behold, there come seuen yeeres of great
nty, thorowout all the land of Egypt.
0 And there shall arise after them seuen yeres of
mine, & all the plenty shal be forgotten in *y* land
Egypt: and the famine shall consume the land.
1 And the plenty shall not bee knowne in the
d, by reason of that famine following; for it
‖ is very † grieuous.

32 And for that the dreame was doubled vnto
Pharaoh twice, *it is* because the thing is ‖ stablished
by God: and God will shortly bring it to ‖ passe. ‖ Or, prepared of God.
33 Now therefore let Pharaoh looke out a man
discreet & wise, & set him ouer the land of Egypt.
34 Let Pharaoh doe *this*, and let him appoint
‖ officers ouer the land, and take vp the fifth part of
the land of Egypt in the seuen plenteous yeeres. ‖ Or, ouer-seers.
35 And let them gather all the food of those
good yeeres that come, and lay vp corne vnder the
hand of Pharaoh, and let them keepe food in the
cities.
36 And that food shall bee for store to the land,
against the seuen yeeres of famine, which shall bee
in the land of Egypt, that the land † perish not
through the famine. † Heb. be not cut off.
37 ¶ And the thing was good in the eyes of Pha-
raoh, and in the eyes of all his seruants.
38 And Pharaoh said vnto his seruants, Can we
find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spi-
rit of God *is*? 44.18 Paul 2335
39 And Pharaoh said vnto Ioseph, Forasmuch as
God hath shewed thee all this, there is none so dis-
creet and wise as thou art:
40 *Thou shalt be ouer my house, and according *Psal.
vnto thy word shall all my people be † ruled: only 105.21.
in the throne will I be greater then thou. 1.mac.2.
41 And Pharaoh said vnto Ioseph, See, I haue set 53.26.
thee ouer all the land of Egypt. 7.10.
42 And Pharaoh tooke off his ring from his † Hebr.
hand, and put it vpon Iosephs hand, and arayed armour of
him in vestures of ‖ fine linnen, and put a gold siluer.
chaine about his necke. ‖ Or, like.
43 And he made him to ride in the second charet ‖ Or, vn-
which hee had: and they cryed before him, ‖ Bow der fa-
the knee: and he made him ruler ouer all the land thers: heb.
of Egypt. Abrech.
44 And Pharaoh said vnto Ioseph, I am Pharaoh,
and without thee shall no man lift vp his hand or
foot in all the land of Egypt.
45 And Pharaoh called Iosephs name Zaphnath-
Paaneah, and hee gaue him to wife Aseneth the
daughter of Poti-pherah ‖ Priest of On. And Io- ‖ Or, Prince.
seph went out ouer all the land of Egypt.
46 ¶ (And Ioseph was thirty yeeres old when he
stood before Pharaoh King of Egypt.) And Ioseph
went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went
thorowout all the land of Egypt.
47 And in the seuen plenteous yeeres the earth
brought forth by handfuls.
48 And he gathered vp all the food of the seuen
yeeres which were in the land of Egypt, and laid vp
the food in the cities: the food of the field which
was round about euery city, laid he vp in the same.
49 And Ioseph gathered corne as the sand of the
Sea very much, vntil he left numbring: for it was
without number.
50 * And vnto Ioseph were borne two sons, before * Ch.41.
the yeeres of famine came, which Aseneth ‖ daugh- 46.20. &
ter of Poti-pherah ‖ Priest of On bare vnto him. 48.5.
51 And Ioseph called the name of the first borne, ‖ Or, Prince.
‖ Manasseh: for God, *said he*, hath made me forget ‖ That is,
all my toile, and all my fathers house. forgetting
52 And the name of the second called hee ‖ E- ‖ That is,
phraim: for God hath caused me to be fruitfull in fruitfull.
the land of my affliction.
53 ¶ And the seuen yeeres of plenteousnesse that
was in the land of Egypt were ended.
54 * And the seuen yeeres of dearth began to * Psal.
come, according as Ioseph had said, and the dearth 105.16.
was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt
there was bread.

55 And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cryed to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said vnto all the Egyptians, Goe vnto Ioseph: what he saith vnto you, doe.

56 And the famine was ouer all the face of the earth, and Ioseph opened † all the store-houses, and sold vnto the Egyptians, and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.

† Heb. all wherein was.

57 And all countreys came into Egypt to Ioseph for to buy corne, because that the famine was so sore in all lands.

CHAP. XLII.

1 Iacob sendeth his ten sonnes to buy corne in Egypt. 6 They are imprisoned by Ioseph for spies. 18 They are set at liberty, on condition to bring Beniamin. 21 They haue remorse for Ioseph. 24 Simeon is kept for a pledge. 25 They returne with corne, and their money. 29 Their relation to Iacob. 36 Iacob refuseth to send Beniamin.

* Actes 7.12.

NOw when * Iacob saw that there was corne in Egypt, Iacob said vnto his sonnes, Why doe ye looke one vpon another?

2 And he said, Behold, I haue heard that there is corne in Egypt: get you downe thither, and buy for vs from thence, that we may liue and not die.

3 ¶ And Ioseph ten brethren went downe to buy corne in Egypt.

4 But Beniamin Ioseph's brother, Iacob sent not with his brethren: for hee said, Lest peraduenture mischiefe befall him.

5 And the sonnes of Israel came to buy corne among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

6 And Ioseph was the gouernour ouer the land, *and* he *it was* that sold to all the people of the land: and Ioseph's brethren came and bowed downe themselues before him, *with* their faces to the earth.

7 And Ioseph saw his brethren, and hee knew them, but made himselfe strange vnto them, and spake † roughly vnto them: and hee said vnto them, Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food.

† Hebr. hard things with them.

8 And Ioseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

9 And * Ioseph remembred the dreames which he dreamed of them, and said vnto them, Ye are spies: to see the nakednesse of the land you are come.

* Chap. 37.5.

10 And they said vnto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food *are* they seruants come.

11 Wee are all one mans sonnes; wee are true men: thy seruants are no spies.

12 And hee said vnto them, Nay, but to see the nakednesse of the land you are come.

13 And they said, Thy seruants are twelue brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan: and behold, the youngest *is* this day with our father, and one is not.

14 And Ioseph said vnto them, That is it that I spake vnto you, saying, Ye *are* spies.

15 Hereby yee shall bee proued: by the life of Pharaoh, ye shall not goe forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither.

16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and yee shall be † kept in prison, that your words may be proued, whether there be any truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely yee are spies.

† Hebr. bound.

† Hebr. gaue charge.

17 And hee † put them all together into ward, three dayes.

18 And Ioseph said vnto them the third day, This doe, and liue: *for* I feare God.

19 If ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: goe yee, carry corne for the famine of your houses.

20 But * bring your youngest brother vnto me: so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.

* 1.Sam. 16.1. 1.Chron. 2.13.

21 ¶ And they said one to another, Wee are verely guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soule, when he besought vs, and wee would not heare: therefore is this distresse come vpon vs.

22 And Reuben answered them, saying, * Spake I not vnto you, saying, Doe not sinne against the childe, and ye would not heare? therefore behold also, his blood is required.

23 And they knew not that Ioseph vnderstood them: for † he spake vnto them by an interpreter.

† Hebr. the hearer was between them.

24 And he turned himselfe about from them and wept, and returned to them againe, and communed with them, and tooke from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

25 ¶ Then Ioseph commanded to fill their sackes with corne, and to restore euery mans money into his sacke, and to giue them prouision for the way: and thus did he vnto them.

26 And they laded their asses with the corne, and departed thence.

27 And as one of them opened his sacke, to giue his asse prouender in the Inne, he espied his money: for behold, it *was* in his sackes mouth.

28 And hee said vnto his brethren, My money is restored, and loe, *it is* euen in my sacke, and their heart † failed them, and they were afraid, saying one to another, What is this that God hath done vnto vs?

† Hebr. went forth.

29 ¶ And they came vnto Iacob their father vnto the land of Canaan, and told him all that befell vnto them, saying,

30 The man *who is* the lord of the land, spake † roughly to vs, and tooke vs for spies of the countrey.

† Hebr. gaue.

31 And we said vnto him, We are true men, we are no spies.

32 We be twelue brethren, sonnes of our father: one *is* not, and the youngest *is* this day with our father in the land of Canaan.

33 And the man, the lord of the country said to vs, Hereby shall I know that yee are true men: leaue one of your brethren here with me, and take *food* for the famine of your households, & be gone.

34 And bring your youngest brother vnto me: then shall I know that you *are* no spies, but that you *are* true men: so will I deliuer you your brother, and ye shall traffique in the land.

35 ¶ And it came to passe as they emptied their sackes, that behold, euery mans bundle of money *was* in his sacke: and when both they and their father saw the bundles of money, they were afraid.

36 And Iacob their father said vnto them, Me haue yee bereaued of my children: Ioseph is not, and Simeon is not: and yee will take Beniamin *away*: all these things are against me.

37 And Reuben spake vnto his father, saying, Slay my two sonnes, if I bring him not to thee: deliuer him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee againe.

38 And hee said, My sonne shall not goe downe with you; for his brother is dead, and he is left alone: if mischiefe befall him by the way in which yee goe, then shall ye bring downe my grey haires with sorrow to the graue.

CHAP. XLIII.

1 Iacob is hardly perswaded to send Beniamin.

Ioseph entertaineth his brethren. 31 *He maketh them a feast.*

AND the famine was sore in the land.
2 And it came to passe when they had eaten vp the corne which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said vnto them, Goe againe, buy vs a little food.
3 And Iudah spake vnto him, saying, The man did † solemnely protest vnto vs, saying, Yee shall not see my face, except your * brother *be* with you.
4 If thou wilt send our brother with vs, we will goe downe, and buy thee food.
5 But if thou wilt not send *him*, we will not go downe, for the man said vnto vs, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.
6 And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye so ill with me, as to tell the man whether yee had yet a brother?
7 And they said, The man † asked vs straitly of our state, and of our kinred, saying, Is your father yet aliue? haue ye *another* brother? and wee told him according to the † tenour of these words, could wee certainely know that he would say, Bring your brother downe?
8 And Iudah said vnto Israel his father, Send the lad with me, and wee will arise and goe, that we may liue, and not die, both we and thou, and also our little ones.
9 I will be surety for him: of my hand shalt thou require him: * If I bring him not vnto thee, and set him before thee, then let mee beare the blame for euer.
10 For except wee had lingred, surely now wee had returned ‖ this second time.
11 And their father Israel said vnto them, If it must *be* so now, doe this: take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, a little balme, and a little hony, spices, and myrrhe, nuts and almonds.
12 And take double money in your hand, and the money that was brought againe in the mouth of your sacks: carry *it* againe in your hand, peradventure it was an ouersight.
13 Take also your brother, and arise, goe againe vnto the man.
14 And God Almighty giue you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother Beniamin: ‖ If I be bereaued of my children, I am bereaued.
15 ¶ And the men tooke that present, and they tooke double money in their hand, and Beniamin, and rose vp, and went downe to Egypt, and stood before Ioseph.
16 And when Ioseph saw Beniamin with them, he said to the ruler of his house, Bring these men home, and † slay, and make ready: for these men shall † dine with me at noone.
17 And the man did as Ioseph bade: and the man brought the men into Josephs house.
18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Josephs house, and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sackes at the first time, are we brought in, that he may † seeke occasion against vs, and fall vpon vs, and take vs for bondmen, and our asses.
19 And they came neere to the Steward of Josephs house, and they communed with him at the doore of the house;
20 And said, O Sir, * † wee came indeed downe at the first time to buy food.
21 And it came to passe when wee came to the lodging, that we opened our sackes, and behold, every mans money *was* in the mouth of his sacke, our money in full weight: and we haue brought it againe in our hand.
22 And other money haue we brought downe in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sackes.
23 And he said, Peace *be* to you, feare not: your God, and the God of your father, hath giuen you treasure in your sackes: † I had your money. And he brought Simeon out vnto them.
24 And the man brought the men into Josephs house, and * gaue them water, and they washed their feete, and he gaue their asses prouender.
25 And they made ready the present against Ioseph came at noone: for they heard that they should eate bread there.
26 ¶ And when Ioseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand, into the house, and bowed themselues to him to the earth.
27 And hee asked them of their † welfare, and said, ‖ Is your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? Is he yet aliue?
28 And they answered, Thy seruant our father *is* in good health, hee is yet aliue: and they bowed downe their heade, and made obeisance.
29 And he lift vp his eyes, and saw his brother Beniamin, his mothers sonne, and said, Is this your younger brother, of whom ye spake vnto me? and he said, God be gracious vnto thee my sonne.
30 And Ioseph made haste: for his bowels did yerne vpon his brother: and hee sought where to weepe, & he entred into his chamber, & wept there.
31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himselfe, and said, Set on bread.
32 And they set on for him by himselfe, and for them by themselues, and for the Egyptians which did eat with him by themselues: because the Egyptians might not eate bread with the Hebrewes, for that *is* an abomination vnto the Egyptians.
33 And they sate before him, the first borne according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marueiled one at another.
34 And hee tooke and *sent* messes vnto them † from before him: but Beniamins messe *was* fiue times so much as any of theirs: and they drunke and † were merry with him.

CHAP. XLIIII.

Ioseph policy to stay his brethren. 14 *Iudahs humble supplication to Ioseph.*

AND he commanded the † steward of his house, saying, Fill the mens sackes *with* food, as much as they can carry, and put euery mans money in his sackes mouth.
2 And put my cup, the siluer cup, in the sackes mouth of the youngest, and his corne money: and he did according to the word that Ioseph had spoken.
3 Assoone as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.
4 And when they were gone out of the city, and not *yet* farre off, Ioseph said vnto his steward, Vp, follow after the men: and when thou dost ouertake them, say vnto them, Wherefore haue ye rewarded euill for good?
5 Is not this it, in which my lord drinketh? and whereby indeed he ‖ diuineth? yee haue done euill in so doing.
6 ¶ And he ouertooke them, and he spake vnto them these same words.
7 And they said vnto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God forbid that they seruants should doe according to this thing.

8 Behold, the money which wee found in our sackes mouthes, wee brought againe vnto thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steale out of thy Lords house siluer or gold?

9 With whom soeuer of thy seruants it be found, both let him die, and wee also will bee my lords bondmen.

10 And he said, Now also let it bee according vnto your words: he with whom it is found, shall be my seruant, and ye shall be blameles.

11 Then they speedily tooke downe euery man his sacke to the ground, & opened euery man his sacke.

12 And he searched, and began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Beniamins sacke.

13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded euery man his asse, and returned to the city.

14 ¶ And Iudah and his brethren came to Ioseph house: (for he was yet there) and they fell before him on the ground.

15 And Ioseph said vnto them, What deed is this that ye haue done? wote ye not that such a man as I can certainely † diuine?

16 And Iudah said, What shall we say vnto my lord? what shall we speake? or how shall we cleare our selues? God hath found out the iniquity of thy seruants: behold, wee are my lords seruants, both we, and he also with whom the cup is found.

17 And he said, God forbid, that I should do so: but the man in whose hand the cup is found, hee shall be my seruant; and as for you, get you vp in peace vnto your father.

18 ¶ Then Iudah came neere vnto him, and said, O my lord, let thy seruant, I pray thee, speake a word in my lords eares, & let not thine anger burn against thy seruant: for thou art euen as Pharaoh.

19 My lord asked his seruants, saying, Haue yee a father or a brother?

20 And we said vnto my lord, We haue a father an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one, and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loueth him.

21 And thou saidest vnto thy seruants, Bring him downe vnto me, that I may set mine eyes vpon him.

22 And we said vnto my lord, The lad cannot leaue his father: for if he should leaue his father, his father would die.

23 And thou saidest vnto thy seruants, * Except your yongest brother come downe with you, you shall see my face no more.

24 And it came to passe when wee came vp vnto thy seruant my father, wee told him the words of my lord.

25 And our father said, Goe againe, and buy vs a little food.

26 And we said, We cannot goe downe: if our yongest brother bee with vs, then will we goe downe: for wee may not see the mans face, except our yongest brother be with vs.

27 And thy seruant my father said vnto vs, Yee know that my wife bare me two sonnes.

28 And the one went out from mee, and I said, * Surely hee is torne in pieces: and I saw him not since.

29 And if ye take this also from mee, and mischiefe befall him, yee shall bring downe my gray haires with sorrow to the graue.

30 Now therefore when I come to thy seruant my father, and the lad be not with vs; (seeing that his life is bound vp in the lads life:)

31 It shall come to passe, when he seeth that the lad is not with vs, that hee will die; and thy seruants shall bring downe the gray haires of thy seruant our father with sorrow to the graue.

32 For thy seruant became surety for the lad vnto my father, saying, If I bring him not vnto thee, then I shall beare the blame to my father for euer.

33 Now therefore I pray thee, let thy seruant abide in stead of the lad, a bondman to my lord, and let the lad goe vp with his brethren.

34 For how shall I goe vp to my father, and the lad be not with me, lest peraduenture I see the euil that shall † come on my father?

CHAP. XLV.

1 Ioseph maketh himselfe knowne to his brethren. 5 He comforteth them in Gods prouidence. 9 He sendeth for his father. 16 Pharaoh confirmeth it. 21 Ioseph furnisheth them for their iourney. 25 Iacob exhorteth them to concord. 25 Iacob reuiued with the newes.

THen Ioseph could not refraine himselfe before all them that stood by him, and he cause euery man to goe out from him: and stood no man with him, while Ioseph made himselfe knowne to his brethren.

2 And he † wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

3 And Ioseph said vnto his brethren, I am Ioseph; Doth my father yet liue? And his brethren could not answere him: for they were troubled at his presence.

4 And Ioseph said vnto his brethren, Come neere to me, I pray you: and they came neere: and he said, I *am* Ioseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.

5 Now therefore be not grieued † nor angry with your selues, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before to preserue life.

6 For these two yeeres hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are fiue yeeres, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harueſt.

7 And God sent mee before you to preserue you a posterity in the earth, and to saue you aliue by a great deliuerance.

8 So now, it was not you *that* sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father vnto Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler ouer all the land of Egypt.

9 Haste you, and goe vp to my father, and say vnto him, Thus saith thy sonne Ioseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt; come downe vnto me, tarry not.

10 And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be neere vnto me, thou and thy children, and thy childrens children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast.

11 And there will I nourish thee, (for yet there are fiue yeeres of famine) lest thou and thine household, and all that thou hast come to pouerty.

12 And behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Beniamin, that it is my mouth that speaketh vnto you.

13 And you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you haue seene, and you shall haste, and bring downe my father hither.

14 And he fell vpon his brother Beniamins neck, and wept: and Beniamin wept vpon his neck.

15 Moreouer, he kissed all his brethren, and wept vpon them: and after that, his brethren talked with him.

16 ¶ And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaohs house, saying, Ioseph's brethren are come: and it † pleased Pharaoh well, and his seruants.

17 And

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† Or, make triall.

† Or, vnto to speak. Ps. 41. 30. 39.

* Chap. 43. 3.

* Chap. 37. 33.

7 And Pharaoh ſaid vnto Ioſeph, Say vnto thy
ethren, This doe ye, lade your beaſts, and goe, get
u vnto the land of Canaan.
8 And take your father, & your houſholds, and
me vnto me, and I will giue you the good of the
nd of Egypt, and ye ſhall eat the fat of the land.
9 Now thou art commanded, this doe ye; Take
u wagons out of the land of Egypt for your lit-
e ones, and for your wiues, and bring your father
d come.
0 Alſo † regard not your ſtuffe: for the good
f all the land of Egypt is yours.
1 And the children of Iſrael did ſo: and Ioſeph
ue them wagons, according to the † commande-
ent of Pharaoh, and gaue them prouiſion for the
y.
2 To all of them he gaue each man changes of
iment: but to Beniamin he gaue three hundred
eces of ſiluer, and fiue changes of raiment.
3 And to his father he ſent after this manner:
n aſſes † laden with the good things of Egypt,
d ten ſhe aſſes laden with corne, and bread and
at for his father by the way.
4 So he ſent his brethren away, and they de-
rted, and he ſaid vnto them, See that ye fall not
t by the way.
5 ¶ And they went vp out of Egypt, and came
to the land of Canaan vnto Iacob their father,
6 And told him, ſaying, Ioſeph is yet aliue, and
is gouernour ouer all the land of Egypt. And
Iacobs heart fainted, for he beleeued them not:
7 And they told him all the words of Ioſeph,
hich he had ſaid vnto them: and when he ſaw the
gons which Ioſeph had ſent to carry him, the
irit of Iacob their father reuiued.
8 And Iſrael ſaid, It is enough; Ioſeph my ſon
yet aliue: I will goe and ſee him before I die.

CHAP. XLVI.

Iacob is comforted by God at Beerſheba. 5 Hence hee with his company goeth into Egypt. 8 The number of his family that went into Egypt. 28 Ioſeph meeteth Iacob. 31 He inſtructeth his brethren how to anſwere to Pharaoh.

Nd Iſrael tooke his iourney with all that hee
had, and came to Beerſheba, and offered ſacri-
es vnto the God of his father Iſaac.
And God ſpake vnto Iſrael in the viſions of the
ght, and ſaid, Iacob Iacob: And he ſaid, here am I.
And he ſaid, I am God, the God of thy father,
e not to go down into Egypt: for I will there
ke of thee a great nation.
I will goe downe with thee into Egypt, and I
ll alſo ſurely bring thee vp *again*: and Ioſeph
ll put his hand vpon thine eies.
And Iacob roſe vp from Beerſheba: and the
nes of Iſrael caried Iacob their father, and their
le ones, and their wiues in the wagons which
raoh had ſent to carry him.
And they tooke their cattell, and their goods
ich they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and
e into Egypt; * Iacob & all his ſeed with him:
His ſonnes, and his ſonnes ſonnes with him,
daughters, and his ſons daughters, and all his
brought he with him into Egypt.
¶ And * theſe *are* the names of the children
Iſrael which came into Egypt, Iacob and his
ns: * Reuben Iacobs firſt borne.
And the ſons of Reuben, Hanoch, and Phallu,
Hezron, and Carmi.
¶ * And the ſons of Simeon: Iemuel, and Ia-
, and Obad, and Iachin, and Zohar, and Shaul
ſonne of a Canaanitiſh woman.

11 ¶ And the ſons of * Leui, Gerſhon, Kohath, and Merari. * 1.Chro. 6.1.
12 ¶ And the ſonnes of * Iudah: Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zerah, but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the ſons of Pharez, were Hezron, and Hamul. * 1.Chro. 2.3.& 4. 21.chap.
13 ¶ And the ſons of Iſſachar: Tola, and Phuuah, and Iob, and Shimron. 38.3.
14 ¶ * And the ſonnes of Zebulun: Sered, and Elon, and Iahleel. * 1.Chro. 7.1.
15 Theſe *be* the ſonnes of Leah, which ſhe bare vnto Iacob in Padan-Aram with his daughter Dinah: all the ſoules of his ſonnes and his daughters, were thirty and three.
16 ¶ And the ſons of Gad: Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, and Arodi, and Areli.
17 ¶ * And the ſons of Aſher: Iimnah, and Iſhuah, and Iſhui, and Beriah: and Serah their ſiſter: and the ſonnes of Beriah, Heber, and Malchiel. * 1.Chro. 7.30.
18 Theſe *are* the ſonnes of Zilpah, whom Laban gaue to Leah his daughter: and theſe ſhe bare vnto Iacob, euen ſixteene ſoules.
19 The ſons of Rachel Iacobs wife: Ioſeph and Beniamin.
20 ¶ And vnto Ioſeph in the land of Egypt, were borne Manaſſeh and Ephraim, * which Aſenath the daughter of Poti Pherah ‖ Prieſt of On bare vnto him. * Chap. 41.50. ‖ Or, Prince.
21 ¶ * And the ſons of Beniamin, were Belah, and Becher, and Aſhbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Roſh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard. * 1.Chro. 7.6.& 8.1
22 Theſe are the ſons of Rachel, which were borne to Iacob: all the ſoules were fourteene.
23 ¶ And the ſons of Dan: Huſhim.
24 ¶ And the ſons of Naphtali, Iahzeel, and Guni, and Iezer, and Shillem.
25 Theſe are the ſons of Bilhah, which Laban gaue vnto Rachel his daughter, and ſhe bare theſe vnto Iacob, all the ſoules were ſeuen.
26 All the * ſoules ỹ came with Iacob into Egypt, which came out of his † loines, beſides Iacobs ſons wiues all the ſoules were three ſcore and ſixe. * Deut. 10.22. † Heb. thigh.
27 And the ſons of Ioſeph which were borne him in Egypt, were two ſoules: all the ſoules of the houſe of Iacob, which came into Egypt, were three-ſcore and ten.
28 ¶ And he ſent Iudah before him vnto Ioſeph, to direct his face vnto Goſhen, and they came into the land of Goſhen.
29 And Ioſeph made ready his charet, and went vp to meet Iſrael his father to Goſhen, and preſented himſelfe vnto him, and he fell on his necke, and wept on his necke a good while.
30 And Iſrael ſaid vnto Ioſeph, Now let me die, ſince I haue ſeene thy face becauſe thou art yet aliue.
31 And Ioſeph ſaid vnto his brethren, and vnto his fathers houſe, I will go vp, and ſhew Pharaoh, and ſay vnto him, My brethren and my fathers houſe, which were in the land of Canaan are come vnto me.
32 And the men *are* ſhepherds, for † their trade hath bin to feed cattell: & they haue brought their flockes and their herds, and all that they haue. † Heb. they are men of cattell.
33 And it ſhal come to paſſe, when Pharaoh ſhall call you, and ſhall ſay, What is your occupation?
34 That ye ſhall ſay, Thy ſeruants trade hath bin about cattell, from our youth, euen vntill now, both we, and alſo our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goſhen; for euery ſhepherd is an abomination vnto the Egyptians.

CHAP. XLVII.

1 Ioſeph preſenteth fiue of his brethren, 7 and his father before Pharaoh. 11 He giueth them habi-

sation and maintenance. 13 *He getteth all the Egyptians money,* 16 *their cattell,* 18 *their lands to Pharaoh.* 22 *The Priests land was not bought.* 25 *He letteth the land to them for a fift part.* 28 *Iacobs age.* 29 *He sweareth Ioseph to bury him with his fathers.*

THen Ioseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father, and my brethren, and their flockes, and their herds, and all that they haue, are come out of the land of Canaan: and behold, they are in the land of Goshen.

2 And he tooke some of his brethren, euen fiue men: and presented them vnto Pharaoh.

3 And Pharaoh said vnto his brethren, What is your occupation? And they said vnto Pharaoh, Thy seruants are shepherds, both we, and also our father.

4 They said moreouer vnto Pharaoh, For to sojourne in the land are we come: for thy seruants haue no pasture for their flockes, for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore we pray thee, let thy seruants dwell in the land of Goshen.

5 And Pharaoh spake vnto Ioseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come vnto thee.

6 The land of Egypt is before thee, in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell, in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any man of actiuity among them, then make them rulers ouer my cattell.

7 And Ioseph brought in Iacob his father, & set him before Pharaoh: and Iacob blessed Pharaoh.

† *Hebr. how many are the dayes of the yeeres of thy life?*

8 And Pharaoh said vnto Iacob, † How old art thou?

9 And Iacob said vnto Pharaoh, * The dayes of the yeeres of my pilgrimage are an hundred and thirty yeeres: few and euill haue the dayes of the yeeres of my life beene, and haue not attained vnto the dayes of the yeeres of the life of my fathers, in the dayes of their pilgrimage.

* *Hebr.* 31.29,13.

10 And Iacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

11 ¶ And Ioseph placed his father and his brethren, and gaue them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses as Pharaoh had commanded.

12 And Ioseph nourished his father and his brethren, and all his fathers household with bread, ‖ according to *their* families.

‖ *Or, as a little child is nourished. Heb. according to the little ones.*

13 ¶ And there was no bread in all the land: for the famine was very sore; so that the land of Egypt and all the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.

14 And Ioseph gathered vp all the money, that was found in the land of Egypt and in the land of Canaan, for the corne which they bought: and Ioseph brought the money into Pharaohs house.

15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came vnto Ioseph, & said, Giue vs bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

16 And Ioseph said, Giue your cattell: and I will giue you for your cattell, if money faile.

17 And they brought their cattell vnto Ioseph: and Ioseph gaue them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flockes, and for the cattell of the herds, and for the asses, and he † fed them with bread, for all their cattell for that yeere.

† *Heb. led them.*

18 When that yeere was ended, they came vnto him the second yeere, and said vnto him, We will not hide it from my lord, how that our money is spent, my lord also hath our herds of cattell: there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands.

19 Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy vs, and our land for bread, and we and our land will be seruants vnto Pharaoh: and giue vs seed that we may liue and not die, that the land be not desolate.

20 And Ioseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh: for the Egyptians sold euery man his field, because the famine preuailed ouer them: so the land became Pharaohs.

21 And as for the people, he remoued them to cities from one end of the borders of Egypt, euen to the *other* end thereof.

22 Only the land of the † Priests bought he not: for the Priests had a portion assigned them of Pharaoh, & did eat their portion which Pharaoh gaue them: wherefore they sold not their lands.

23 Then Ioseph said vnto the people, Behold, I haue bought you this day, and your land for Pharaoh: Loe, here is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

24 And it shall come to passe in the increase, that you shall giue the fift part vnto Pharaoh, and foure parts shall be your owne for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones.

25 And they said, Thou hast saued our liues: let vs finde grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaohs seruants.

26 And Ioseph made it a law ouer the land of Egypt vnto this day, that Pharaoh should haue the fift part: except the land of the † Priests only, *which* became not Pharaohs.

27 ¶ And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen, and they had possessions therein, and grew and multiplied exceedingly.

28 And Iacob liued in the land of Egypt seuentéene yeeres: so † the whole age of Iacob was an hundred forty and seuen yeeres.

29 And the time drew nigh that Israel must die: and he called his son Ioseph, and said vnto him, If now I haue found grace in thy sight, * put, I pray thee, thy hand vnder my thigh, & deale kindly and truely with me, bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt.

30 But I will lie with my fathers, & thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, & bury me in their buriall place: and he said, I will doe as thou hast said.

31 And he said, Sweare vnto me: and he sware vnto him. And † Israel bowed himselfe vpon the beds head.

CHAP. XLVIII.

1 *Ioseph with his sonnes visiteth his sicke father.* 2 *Iacob strengthneth himselfe to beleeue,* 3 *repeateth the promise.* 5 *He taketh Ephraim and Manasseh as his owne.* 7 *He telleth how Rachel died.* 9 *He blesseth Ephraim and Manasseh.* 17 *He preferreth the younger before the elder.* 21 *He prophesieth their returne to Canaan.*

AND it came to passe after these things, that one told Ioseph, Behold, thy father is sicke: and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh & Ephraim.

2 And one told Iacob, and said, Behold, thy son Ioseph commeth vnto thee: and Israel strengthened himselfe, and sate vpon the bed.

3 And Iacob said vnto Ioseph, God Almighty * appeared vnto me at † Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me.

4 And said vnto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitfull and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people; and will giue this land to thy seed after thee, for an euerlasting possession.

5 ¶ And now thy * two sonnes, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were borne vnto thee in the land of Egypt, before I came vnto thee into Egypt,

sine: as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.
6 And thy issue which thou begettest after them shall be thine and shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.
7 And as for me, when I came from *Padan, Rachel dyed by me in the land of Canaan, in the way, when yet *there was* but a little way to come to Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath, the same is in Bethlehem.
8 And Israel beheld Iosephs sonnes, and said, Who *are these*?
9 And Ioseph said vnto his father, They are my sons, whom God hath giuen me in this *place*: and he said, bring them, I pray thee, vnto me, and I will blesse them.
10 (Now the eyes of Israel were † dim for age, so *that* he could not see) & he brought them neere vnto him, and he kissed them, and embraced them.
11 And Israel said vnto Ioseph, I had not thought to see thy face: and loe, God hath shewed me also thy seed.
12 And Ioseph brought them out from betweene his knees, and he bowed himselfe with his face to the earth.
13 And Ioseph tooke them both, Ephraim in his right hand, towards Israels left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand towards Israels right hand, and brought *them* neere vnto him.
14 And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid *it* vpon Ephraims head, who *was* the yonger: and his left hand vpō Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly: for Manasseh *was* the first borne.
15 ¶ * And he blessed Ioseph, & said God before whom my fathers, Abraham, & Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long vnto this day,
16 The Angel which redeemed me from all euill, blesse the lads, and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers, Abraham & Isaac, and let them grow † into a multitude in the midst of the earth.
17 And when Ioseph saw that his father laid his right hand vpon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: & he held vp his fathers hand, to remoue it from Ephraims head, vnto Manasseh's head.
18 And Ioseph said vnto his father, Not so my father: for this *is* the first borne, put thy right hand vpon his head.
19 And his father refused and said, I know *it*, my sonne, I know *it*: hee also shall become a people, and hee also shall be great, but truely his younger brother shall be greater then he, and his seed shall become a † multitude of nations.
20 And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel blesse, saying, God make thee as Ephraim, and as Manasseh: and hee set Ephraim before Manasseh.
21 And Israel said vnto Ioseph, Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you againe vnto the land of your fathers.
22 Moreouer, I haue giuen to thee on portion aboue thy brethren, which I tooke out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

CHAP. XLIX.

1 Iacob calleth his sonnes to Iosse them. 3 Their blessing in particular. 29 He chargeth them about his buriall. 33 He dyeth.

AND Iacob called vnto his sons, and said, Gather your selues together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the last dayes.
2 Gather your selues together, and heare ye sons of Iacob, and hearken vnto Israel your father.
3 ¶ Reuben, thou art my first borne, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:
4 Vnstable as water, † thou shalt not excell, because thou * wentest vp to thy fathers bed; then defiledst thou *it*. He went vp to my couch.
5 ¶ Simeon and Leui *are* brethren, instruments of cruelty *are in* their habitations.
6 O my soule, come not thou into their secret: vnto their assembly mine honour be not thou vnited: for in their anger, they slew a man, and in their selfe-will they § digged downe a wall.
7 Cursed be their anger, for it *was* fierce, and their wrath, for it *was* cruell: I will diuide them in Iacob, and scatter them in Israel.
8 ¶ Iudah, thou *art he* whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand *shall be* in the necke of thine enemies, thy fathers children shall bow downe before thee.
9 Iudah is a lions whelpe: from the prey my son thou art gone vp: he stooped downe, he couched as a lyon, & as an old lion: who shall rise him vp?
10 The Scepter shall not depart from Iudah nor a Law giuer from betweene his feet, vntil Shiloh come: and vnto him shall the gathering of the people be.
11 Binding his fole vnto the vine, and his asses colt vnto the choise vine: he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes.
12 His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milke.
13 ¶ Zebulun shall dwell at the hauen of the sea, and he shall be for a hauen of ships: and his border *shall be* vnto Zidon.
14 ¶ Issachar is a strong asse, couching down betweene two burdens.
15 And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant: and bowed his shoulder to beare, and became a seruant vnto tribute.
16 ¶ Dan shall iudge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.
17 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an † adder in the path, that biteth the horse heeles, so that his rider shall fall backward.
18 I haue waited for thy saluation, O LORD.
19 ¶ Gad, a troupe shall ouercome him: but he shall ouercome at the last.
20 ¶ Out of Asher, his bread *shall be* fat, and hee shall yeelde y.ll dainties.
21 ¶ Naphtali is a hinde let loose: hee giueth goodly words.
22 ¶ Ioseph is a fruitfull bough, *euen* a fruitfull bough by a well, whose sonnes runne ouer § wall.
23 The archers haue sorely grieued him, and shot at him, and hated him:
24 But his bow abode in strength, and the armes of his hands were made strong, by the hands of the mighty *God* of Iacob: from thence is the Shepheard, the stone of Israel,
25 *Euen* by the God of thy father, who shall helpe thee, and by the Almighty, who shall blesse thee with blessings of heauen aboue, blessings of the deepe that lieth vnder, blessings of the breasts and of the wombe.
26 The blessings of my father haue preuailed aboue the blessings of my progenitors: vnto the vtmost bound of the euerlasting hilles, they shall be on the head of Ioseph, and on the crowne of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.
27 ¶ Beniamin shall rauen *as a* woolfe: in the morning hee shall deuoure the prey, and at night he shall diuide the spoile.
28 ¶ All these are the twelue tribes of Israel, and this is it ‖ their father spake vnto them, and blessed

C 6 them:

† *Hebr. thou exc.*
* Chap. 35. 22. 1. Chron. 5. 1.
§ *Or, my couch is*
Or, their swords are weapons of violence.
Or, houghed oxen.
† *Hebr. an arrow snake.*
† *Hebr. daughters.*
‖ *Or, as*

them: every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

29 And he charged them, and said vnto them, I am
* Chap. 47.30. to be gathered vnto my people: *bury mee with my Fathers, in the cane that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite,

30 In the cane that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, * Chap 23.16. which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite, for a possession of a burying place.

31 There they buried Abraham, and Sarah his wife: there they buried Isaac & Rebekah his wife, and there I buried Leah.

32 The purchase of the field, and of the cane that is therein, was from the children of Heth.

33 And when Iacob had made an end of commanding his sonnes, hee gathered vp his feet into the bed, and yeelded vp the ghost, and was gathered vnto his people.

CHAP. L.

1 The mourning for Iacob. 4 Ioseph getteth leaue of Pharaoh to go to bury him. 7 The funerall. 15 Ioseph comforteth his brethren, who craue his pardon. 22 He dieth. 23 Hee seeth the third generation of his sonnes. 24 Hee prophesieth vnto his brethren of their return. 25 He taketh an oath of them for his bones. 26 He dieth, and is chested.

AND Ioseph fell vpon his fathers face, and wept vpon him, and kissed him.

2 And Ioseph commanded his seruants the Physicians to imbalme his father: and the Phisicians imbalmed Israel.

3 And fourty dayes were fulfilled for him, (for so are fulfilled the dayes of those which are imbalmed) and the Egyptians † mourned for him three-score and ten dayes.

† Hebr. wept.

4 And when the dayes of his mourning were past, Ioseph spake vnto the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I haue found grace in your eyes, speake I pray you, in the eares of Pharaoh, saying,

5 *My father made me sweare, saying, Loe, I die: * Chap. 47.29. in my graue which I haue digged for mee, in the land of Canaan, there shalt thou bury mee. Now therefore let me goe vp, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come againe.

6 And Pharaoh said, Goe vp, and bury thy father, according as he made thee sweare.

7 ¶ And Ioseph went vp to bury his father: and with him went vp all the seruants of Pharaoh, the Elders of his house, and all the Elders of the land of Egypt,

8 And all the house of Ioseph, & his brethren, and his fathers house: onely their little ones, and their flocks & their heards, they left in ỹ land of Goshen.

9 And there went vp with him both charets, and horsemen, and it was a very great company.

10 And they came to the threshing floore of Atad, which is beyond Iordan, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: and he made a mourning for his father seuen dayes.

11 And when the inhabitants of the land the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floore of Atad, they said, This is a grieuous mourning to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it was called Abel-Mizraim, which is beyond Iordan.

12 And his sonnes did vnto him according as he commanded them.

13 For *his sonnes carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cane of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham *bought with the field for a possession of a burying place of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14 ¶ And Ioseph returned into Egypt, hee, and his brethren, and all that went vp with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

15 ¶ And when Iosephs brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Ioseph will peraduenture hate vs, and will certainely requite vs all the euill which we did vnto him.

16 And they † sent a messenger vnto Ioseph, saying, Thy father did cõmand before he died, say-

17 So shall ye say vnto Ioseph, Forgiue I pray thee now, the trespasse of thy brethren, and their sinne: for they did vnto thee euill: And now we pray thee, forgiue the trespasse of the seruants of the God of thy father. And Ioseph wept when they spake vnto him.

18 And his brethren also went & fell down before his face, and they said, Behold, we be thy seruants.

19 And Ioseph said vnto them, * Feare not: for am I in the place of God?

20 But as for you, ye thought euill against me; but God meant it vnto good, to bring to passe as it is this day, to saue much people aliue.

21 Now therefore feare yee not: I will nourish you and your little ones: And he comforted them, and spake † kindly vnto them.

22 ¶ And Ioseph dwelt in Egypt, he & his fathers house: and Ioseph liued an hundred and ten yeers.

23 * And Ioseph saw Ephraims children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the sonne of Manasseh were † brought vp vpon Iosephs knees.

24 And Ioseph said vnto his brethren, I die: but God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land, vnto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Iacob.

25 And Ioseph tooke an oath of the children of Israel, saying, * God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry vp my bones from hence.

26 So Ioseph dyed being an hundred and ten yeeres old: and they imbalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

THE SECOND BOOKE OF MOSES, CALLED EXODVS.

CHAP. I.

1 The children of Israel after Ioseph's death multiply. 8 Pharaoh, they are oppressed by a new king, they more then multiply. 15 The cruelnesse of the two midwiues in saying the women children aliue. 22 Pharaoh commandeth the male children to be cast into the riuer.

NOw these are the names of the * children of Israel which came into Egypt; * Gen. 46.8. Exod. 6.14. euery man and his household came with Iacob.

2 Reuben, Simeon, Leui, and Iudah,

3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Beniamin,

4 Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

5 And all the soules that came out of the † loynes of Iacob were seuenty soules: for Ioseph was in Egypt *already.*

6 And Ioseph dyed, and all his brethren, and all that generation.

7 ¶ *And ỹ children of Israel were fruitfull, & increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed

ling mighty, & the land was filled with them.
Now there arose vp a new King ouer Egypt,
knew not Ioseph.
And he said vnto his people, Behold ỹ people of
ildren of Israel are moe & mightier then we.
Come on let vs deale wisely with them, lest
multiply, and it come to passe that when there
h out any war, they ioyne also vnto our ene-
and fight against vs, and so get them vp out of
and
Therefore they did set ouer them task masters,
flict them with their burdens: and they built
haraoh treasure-cities, Pithom and Raamses.
But the more they afflicted them, the more
multiplyed and grew: and they were grieued
use of the children of Israel.
And the Egyptians made the children of Isra-
serue with rigour.
And they made their liues bitter with hard
dage, in morter, and in bricke, and in all maner
eruice in the field: all their seruice wherein
made them serue, was with rigour.
¶ And the King of Egypt spake to the Hebrew
wiues, (of which the name of one was Shiph
and the name of the other Puah.)
And he said, When ye doe the office of a mid-
to the Hebrew women, and see them vpon the
les, if it be a sonne, then ye shall kill him: but
be a daughter, then she shall liue.
But the midwiues feared God, and did not as
king of Egypt commanded them, but saued the
children aliue.
And the king of Egypt called for the mid-
es, and said vnto them, Why haue ye done this
g, and haue saued the men children aliue?
And the midwiues said vnto Pharaoh, Be-
se the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian
men, for they are liuely, and are deliuered ere
midwiues come in vnto them.
Therefore God dealt wel with the midwiues:
the people multiplied, & waxed very mighty.
And it came to passe, because the midwiues
ed God, that he made them houses.
And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying,
ery sonne that is borne, ye shall cast into the ri-
, and every daughter ye shall saue aliue.

CHAP. II.

*Moses is borne, 3 and in an Arke cast into the
st. 5 He is found, and brought vp by Pharaohs
ughter. 11 He slayeth an Egyptian. 13 Hee re-
ueth an Hebrew. 15 Hee fleeth into Midian. 21
marrieth Zipporah. 22 Gershom is borne. 23
dre spect eth the Israelites cry.*

Nd there went *a man of the house of Leui,
and tooke to wife a daughter of Leui.
And the woman conceiued and bare a sonne:
nd when she saw him that he was a goodly childe,
e *hid him three moneths.
And when she could not longer hide him, she
ake for him an arke of bulrushes, and daubed it
ith slime and with pitch, and put the child therein,
nd she laid it in the flags by the riuers brinke.
And his sister stood afarre off, to wit what
ould be done to him.
¶ And the daughter of Pharaoh came downe
to wash her selfe at the riuer, and her maidens wal-
d along by the riuer side: and when she saw the
e among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.
And when she had opened it, she saw the child:
d behold, the babe wept. And she had compassi-
on him, and said, This is one of the Hebrewes
ldren.
7 Then said his sister to Pharaohs daughter, Shall
I goe, and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women,
that she may nurse the child for thee?
8 And Pharaohs daughter said vnto her, Goe:
And the maid went and called the childs mother.
9 And Pharaohs daughter said vnto her, Take
this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will giue
thee thy wages. And the woman tooke the child,
and nursed it.
10 And the child grew, and she brought him vn-
to Pharaohs daughter, and he became her son. And
she called his name ‖ Moses: and she said, Because
I drew him out of the water. ‖ That is, drawne out.
11 ¶ And it came to passe in those dayes, when
Moses was growen, that he went out vnto his bre-
thren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an
Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.
12 And he looked this way and that way, and
when he saw that there was no man, he slew the E-
gyptian, and hid him in the sand.
13 And when hee went out the second day, be-
hold, two men of the Hebrewes strone together:
And hee said to him that did the wrong, Where-
fore smitest thou thy fellow?
14 And he said, Who made thee † a Prince and
a Iudge ouer vs? intendest thou to kill me, as thou
killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is knowne. † Heb. a man.
15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, hee
sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face
of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and
he sate downe by a well.
16 Now the ‖ Priest of Midian had seuen daugh-
ters, and they came and drew water, and filled the
troughs to water their fathers flocke. ‖ Or, Prince.
17 And the shepherds came and droue them a-
way: but Moses stood vp and helped them, and
watered their flocke.
18 And when they came to Reuel their father, he
said, How is it that you are come so soone to day?
19 And they said, An Egyptian deliuered vs out
of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water
enough for vs, and watered the flocke.
20 And hee said vnto his daughters, And where
is hee? why is it that yee haue left the man? Call
him, that he may eate bread.
21 And Moses was content to dwell with the
man, and he gaue Moses Zipporah his daughter.
22 And she bare him a sonne, and he called his
name * Gershom: for he said, I haue beene a stran-
ger in a strange land. * Chap. 18.3.
23 ¶ And it came to passe in processe of time, that
the King of Egypt died, and the children of Israel
sighed by reason of the bondage, & they cried, and
their cry came vp to God, by reason of ỹ bondage.
24 And God heard their groaning, and God re-
membred his * Couenant with Abraham, with Isaac, * Gen.
and with Iacob. 15.14. & 46.4.
25 And God looked vpon the children of Israel,
and God † had respect vnto them. † Hebr. knew.

CHAP. III.

1 Moses keepeth Iethros flocke. 2 God appeareth vnto him in a burning bush: 9 He sendeth him to deliuer Israel. 14 The Name of God. 19 His message to Israel.

NOw Moses kept the flocke of Iethro his father
in law, the Priest of Midian: and hee led the
flocke to the backe-side of the desart, and came to
the mountaine of God, euen to Horeb.
2 And the Angel of the LORD appeared vnto
him in a * flame of fire out of the midst of a bush, * Act. 7.30
and he looked, and behold, the bush burned with
fire,

fire, and the bush was not consumed.

3 And Moses said, I will now turne aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called vnto him out of the midst of the bush, & said, Moses, Moses: And he said, Here am I.

Iosh.5. 15.Act.7. 33. *Exod.3. 22.32. Act.7.32.

5 And hee said, Draw not nigh hither, * put off thy shooes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

6 Moreouer he said, * I am the God of thy Father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Iacob. And Moses hid his face: for hee was afraid to looke vpon God.

7 ¶ And the LORD said, I haue surely seene the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and haue heard their crie by reason of their taske-masters: for I know their sorrowes,

8 And I am come downe to deliuer them out of the hand of the Egyptians, & to bring them vp out of that land, vnto a good land and a large, vnto a land flowing with milke & hony, vnto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, & the Hiuites, and the Iebusites.

9 Now therefore behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come vnto me: and I haue also seene the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppresse them.

10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee vnto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

11 ¶ And Moses said vnto God, Who am I, that I should goe vnto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee, and this shalbe a token vnto thee, that I haue sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt ye shall serue God vpon this mountaine.

13 And Moses said vnto God, Behold, *when* I come vnto the children of Israel, and shall say vnto them, The God of your Fathers hath sent mee vnto you, and they shall say to mee, What is his Name? what shall I say vnto them?

I Am that I Am, or I will be that I will be.

14 And God said vnto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: And he said, Thus shalt thou say vnto the children of Israel, I AM, hath sent me vnto you.

15 And God said moreouer vnto Moses, Thus shalt thou say vnto the children of Israel: The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Iacob, hath sent me vnto you: this is my Name for euer, and this is my memorial vnto all generations.

16 Goe and gather the Elders of Israel together, and say vnto them, The LORD God of your Fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, & of Iacob appeared vnto me, saying, I haue surely visited you, and *seene* that which is done to you in Egypt,

17 And I haue said, I will bring you vp out of the affliction of Egypt vnto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, vnto a land flowing with milke and honey.

18 And they shall hearken to thy voice, and thou shalt come, thou and the Elders of Israel vnto the King of Egypt, and you shall say vnto him, The LORD God of the Hebrewes hath met with vs: and now let vs goe, (wee beseech thee) three dayes iourney into the wildernesse, that we may sacrifice vnto the LORD our God.

*Or but by strong hand,

19 ¶ And I am sure that the King of Egypt will not let you goe, † no not by a mighty hand.

20 And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will doe in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you goe.

21 And I will giue this people fauour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to passe, that when ye goe, ye shall not goe empty:

22 * But euery woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her house, iewels of siluer, and iewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put *them* vpon your sonnes, and vpon your daughters, and yee shall spoile the Egyptians.

CHAP. IIII.

Moses rod is turned into a serpent. 6 *His hand is leprous.* 10 *He is loth to be sent.* 14 *Aaron is appointed to assist him.* 18 *Moses departeth from Iethro.* 21 *Gods message to Pharaoh.* 24 *Zippora circumciseth her sonne.* 27 *Aaron is sent to meet Moses.* 31 *The people beleeueth them.*

AND Moses answered, and said, But behold, they will not beleeue mee, nor hearken to my voyce: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared vnto thee.

2 And the LORD said vnto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.

3 And hee said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent: and Moses fled from before it.

4 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the taile: And he put forth his hand and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand: Mat. 11.5.

5 That they may beleeue that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Iacob, hath appeared vnto thee.

6 ¶ And the LORD said further moreouer vnto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosome. And he put his hand into his bosome: and when he tooke it out, behold, his hand was leprous as snow.

7 And he said, Put thine hand into thy bosome againe. And hee put his hand into his bosome againe, and plucked it out of his bosome: and behold, it was turned againe as his other flesh.

8 And it shall come to passe, if they will not beleeue thee, neither hearken to the voyce of the first signe, that they will beleeue the voyce of the latter signe.

9 And it shall come to passe, if they will not beleeue also these two signes, neither hearken vnto thy voyce, that thou shalt take of the water of the riuer, and powre it vpon the dry land: and the water which thou takest out of the riuer, † shall become blood vpon the dry land.

10 ¶ And Moses said vnto the LORD, O my Lord, I am not † eloquent, neither heretofore, nor † since thou hast spoken vnto thy seruant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

11 And the LORD said vnto him, Who hath made mans mouth? or who maketh the dumme, or deafe, or the seeing, or the blinde? haue not I the LORD?

12 Now therefore goe, and I will be * with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

13 And he said, O my Lord, send I pray thee by the hand of *him whom* thou wilt send.

14 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, Is not Aaron the Leuite thy brother? I know that he can speake well. And also behold, hee commeth forth to meete thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.

15 And thou shalt speake vnto him, and put words in his mouth, and I will be with thy mouth and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall doo.

16 And he shall be thy spokesman vnto the

and he shalbe, *euen* he shalbe to thee in stead of outh, and * thou shalt be to him in stead of God,
7 And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, erewith thou shalt doe signes.
8 ¶ And Moses went and returned to Iethro his her in law, and said vnto him, Let me go, I pray e, and returne vnto my brethren which are in E- pt, and see whether they be yet aliue. And Iethro d to Moses, Goe in peace.
9 And the LORD said vnto Moses in Midian, oe, returne into Egypt, for all the men are dead hich sought thy life.
0 And Moses tooke his wife, and his sons, and set em vpon an asse, and he returned to the land of Egypt. And Moses took † rod of God in his hand.
1 And the LORD said vnto Moses, When thou halt to returne into Egypt, see that thou doe all ose wonders before Pharaoh, which I haue put in ine hand: but I will harden his heart that he shall ot let the people goe.
2 And thou shalt say vnto Pharaoh, Thus saith he LORD, Israel is my sonne, *euen* my first borne.
3 And I say vnto thee, Let my son goe, that he ay serue me: and if thou refuse to let him goe, hold, I will slay thy sonne, *euen* thy first borne.
4 ¶ And it came to passe by the way in the Inne, at the LORD met him, and sought to kill him.
5 Then Zipporah tooke a sharpe ‖ stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and † cast it at his feet, d said, Surely a bloody husband art thou to me.
6 So he let him goe: then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision.
7 ¶ And the LORD said to Aaron, Goe into e wildernes to meet Moses. And hee went and met him in the mount of God, and kissed him.
8 And Moses told Aaron all the words of the ORD, who had sent him, and all the signes which e had commanded him.
9 ¶ And Moses and Aaron went and gathered gether all the elders of the children of Israel.
0 And Aaron spake all the words which the ORD had spoken vnto Moses, and did the signes the sight of the people.
1 And the people beleeued: and when they heard at the LORD had visited the children of Israel, d that he had looked vpon their affliction, then ey bowed their heads and worshipped.

CHAP. V.

1 *Pharaoh chideth Moses and Aaron for their message.* 5 *He increaseth the Israelites taske.* 19 *He reproueth their complaints.* 19 *They cry out vpon Moses and Aaron.* 22 *Moses complaineth to God.*

AND afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh: Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my People goe, that they may hold a ast vnto me in the wildernesse.
2 And pharaoh said, Who is the LORD that I ould obey his voyce, to let Israel goe? I know ot the LORD, neither will I let Israel goe.
3 And they said, * The God of the Hebrewes th met with vs, let vs goe we pray thee, three ies iourney into the desart and sacrifice vnto the ORD our God, lest he fall vpon vs with pestilence, with the sword.
4 And the King of Egypt said vnto them, Where- re doe ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from ir workes? Get you vnto your burdens.
5 And Pharaoh said, Behold the people of the nd now *are* many, and you make them rest from ir burdens.
6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the e masters of the people, & their officers, saying,
7 Ye shall no more giue the people straw to make bricke, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselues. *Exod. 18. 4.*
8 And the tale of the brickes which they did make heretofore, you shall lay vpon them: you shall not diminish *ought* thereof: for they be idle, therefore they cry, saying, Let vs goe *and* sacrifice to our God.
9 † Let there more worke be laid vpon the men, that they may labour therein, and let them not regard vaine words. † *Heb. let the worke be heauy vpon the men.*
10 ¶ And the taske-masters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not giue you straw.
11 Goe ye, get you straw where you can finde it: yet not ought of your worke shall be diminished.
12 So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt, to gather stubble in stead of straw.
13 And the taske-masters hasted *them*, saying, Fulfill your workes, your † dayly tasks, as when there was straw. † *Hebr. a matter of a day in his day*
14 And the officers of the children of Israel which Pharaohs taske-masters had set ouer them, were beaten, *and* demanded, Wherefore haue ye not fulfilled your taske in making bricke, both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?
15 ¶ Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cryed vnto Pharaoh saying, Wherefore deale st thou thus with thy seruants?
16 There is no straw giuen to thy seruants, *and* they say to vs, Make bricke: & behold thy seruants are beaten; but the fault is in thine owne people.
17 But he said Ye are idle, *ye are* idle: therefore ye say, Let vs goe *and* doe sacrifice to the LORD.
18 Goe therefore now *and* work, for there shall no straw be giuen you: yet shall yee deliuer the tale of brickes.
19 And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were in euill case, after it was said, Ye shall not minish *ought* from your bricks of your daily taske.
20 ¶ And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:
21 And they said vnto them, The LORD looke vpon you, and iudge, because you haue made our sauour † to be abhorred in the eies of Pharaoh, and in the eies of his seruants, to put a sword in their hand to slay vs. † *Hebr. to stinke.*
22 And Moses returned to the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou *so* euill intreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me? † *Hebr. deliuering thou hast not deliuered.*
23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speake in thy Name he hath done euill to this people, neither hast thou † deliuered thy people at all.

CHAP. VI.

1 *God reneweth his promise by his Name* IEHOVAH. 14 *The genealogie of Reuben.* 15 *Of Simeon.* 16 *Of Leui, of whom came Moses and Aaron.*

THEN the LORD said vnto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will doe to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall hee let them goe, and with a strong hand shall he driue them out of his land.
2 And God spake vnto Moses, and said vnto him, I *am* the LORD.
3 And I appeared vnto Abraham, vnto Isaac, and vnto Iacob, by *the Name of* God Almighty, but by my Name IEHOVAH was I not knowne to them.
4 And I haue also established my couenant with them, to giue them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.
5 And

5 And I haue alſo heard the groaning of the children of Iſrael, whom the Egyptians keepe in bondage: and I haue remembred my Couenant.

6 Wherefore ſay vnto the children of Iſrael, I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from vnder the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage: and I will redeeme you with a ſtretched out arme, and with great iudgements.

7 And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be vnto you a God: and ye ſhall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from vnder the burdens of the Egyptians.

8 And I will bring you in vnto the land concerning the which I did † ſweare to giue it to Abraham, to Iſaac, and to Iacob, and I will giue it you for an heritage, I am the LORD.

† Hebr. lift vp my hand.

9 ¶ And Moſes ſpake ſo vnto the children of Iſrael: but they hearkned not vnto Moſes, for † anguiſh of ſpirit, and for cruell bondage.

† Hebr. ſhortneſſe or ſtraitneſſe.

10 And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes ſaying,

11 Goe in, ſpeake vnto Pharaoh King of Egypt, that he let the children of Iſrael go out of his land.

12 And Moſes ſpake before the LORD, ſaying, Behold, the children of Iſrael haue not hearkened vnto me; how then ſhall Pharaoh heare me, who am of vncircumciſed lips?

13 And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, and vnto Aaron, and gaue them a charge vnto the children of Iſrael, and vnto Pharaoh King of Egypt, to bring the children of Iſrael out of the land of Egypt.

14 ¶ Theſe *be* the heads of their fathers houſes: * The ſonnes of Reuben the firſt borne of Iſrael, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: theſe *be* the families of Reuben.

* Gene. 46.9 1 chr. 5.3.

15 * And the ſons of Simeon, Iemuel, and Iamin, and Ohad, and Iachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the ſonne of a Canaanitiſh woman: theſe are the families of Simeon. * 1 Chr. 4.24.

16 ¶ And theſe are the names of the * ſons of Leui, according to their generations: Gerſhon, and Kohath, and Merari, and the yeeres of the life of Leui, were an hundred thirty and ſeuen yeeres.

* Numb. 3.17.1. chr.6.1.

17 The ſons of Gerſhon, Libni, and Shimi, according to their families.

18 And the * ſons of Kohath: Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Vzziel. And the yeeres of the life of Kohath, were an hundred thirty and three yeeres.

* Num. 26.57.1. chr.6.1.

19 And the ſons of Merari: Mahali, and Mushi: theſe are the families of Leui, according to their generations.

20 And * Amram tooke him Iochebed his fathers ſiſter to wife, and ſhe bare him Aaron and Moſes: and the yeeres of the life of Amram, were an hundred and thirty and ſeuen yeeres.

* Chap. 2.2. num. 26.59.

21 ¶ And the ſons of Izhar: Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.

22 And the ſonnes of Vzziel: Miſhael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.

23 And Aaron tooke him Eliſheba daughter of Amminadab ſiſter of Naaſhon to wife, and ſhe bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.

24 And the ſons of Korah: Aſſir, & Elkanah, and Abiaſaph: theſe *are* the families of the Korhites.

25 And Eleazar Aarons ſon tooke him one of the daughters of Putiel to wife, and ſhe bare him Phinehas: theſe *are* the heads of the fathers of the Leuites, according to their families.

* Num. 25.11.

26 Theſe *are* that Aaron and Moſes, to whom the LORD ſaid, Bring out the children of Iſrael from the land of Egypt, according to their armies.

27 Theſe *are* they which ſpake to Pharaoh King of Egypt, to bring out the children of Iſrael from Egypt: Theſe *are* that Moſes and Aaron.

28 ¶ And it came to paſſe on the day when the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes in the land of Egypt,

29 That the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying, I am the LORD: ſpeake thou vnto Pharaoh King of Egypt, all that I ſay vnto thee.

30 And Moſes ſaid before the LORD, Behold, I am of vncircumciſed lips, and how ſhall Pharaoh hearken vnto me?

CHAP. VII.

1 Moſes is encouraged to goe to Pharaoh, 7 his age. 8 His rod is turned into a ſerpent. 11 The ſorcerers doe the like. 13 Pharaohs heart is hardned. 14 Gods meſſage to Pharaoh. 19 The waters is turned into blood.

AND the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, See, I haue made thee a god to Pharaoh, and Aaron thy brother ſhall be thy Prophet.

2 Thou ſhalt ſpeake all that I command thee, and Aaron thy brother ſhall ſpeake vnto Pharaoh, that he ſend the children of Iſrael out of his land.

3 And I will harden Pharaohs heart, & multiply my ſignes, and my wonders in the land of Egypt.

4 But Pharaoh ſhall not hearken vnto you, that I may lay my hand vpon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, *and* my people the children of Iſrael out of the land of Egypt, by great iudgements.

5 And the Egyptians ſhall know that I am the LORD, when I ſtretch forth mine hand vpon Egypt, and bring out the children of Iſrael from among them.

6 And Moſes and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, ſo did they.

7 And Moſes was foureſcore yeeres old, and Aaron foureſcore and three yeeres old, when they ſpake vnto Pharaoh. *Sab. 30. 7.*

8 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, and vnto Aaron, ſaying,

9 When Pharaoh ſhall ſpeake vnto you, ſaying, Shew a miracle for you: then thou ſhalt ſay vnto Aaron, Take thy rod, and caſt it before Pharaoh, *and* it ſhall become a ſerpent.

10 ¶ And Moſes and Aaron went in vnto Pharaoh, and they did ſo as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron caſt downe his rod before Pharaoh, and before his ſeruants, and it became a ſerpent.

11 Then Pharaoh alſo called the wiſe men, and the ſorcerers: now the Magicians of Egypt, they alſo did in like manner with their inchantments.

12 For they caſt downe euery man his rod, and they became ſerpents: but Aarons rod ſwallowed vp their rods.

13 And he hardned Pharaohs heart, that he hearkened not vnto them as the LORD had ſaid.

14 ¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, Pharaohs heart is hardened: he refuſeth to let the people go.

15 Get thee vnto Pharaoh in the morning, lo, he goeth out vnto the water, and thou ſhalt ſtand by the riuers brinke, againſt he come: and the rod which was turned to a ſerpent, ſhalt thou take in thine hand.

16 And thou ſhalt ſay vnto him, The LORD God of the Hebrewes hath ſent me vnto thee, ſaying, Let my people go, that they may ſerue me in the wildernes: and behold, hitherto thou wouldeſt not heare.

17 Thus ſaith the LORD, In this thou ſhalt know that I am the LORD: Behold, I will ſmite with the rod that is in mine hand, vpon the waters which are in the riuer, and they ſhall be turned to blood.

18 And the fiſh that is in the riuer ſhall die, and the riuer ſhall ſtink, and the Egyptians ſhall loath to drinke of the water of the riuer.

19 ¶ A

¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, Say vnto
on, Take thy rod, & ſtretch out thine hand vpon
waters of Egypt, vpon their ſtreames, vpon their
rs, and vpon their ponds, and vpon all their
oles of water, that they may become blood, and
re may be blood throughout all the land of E-
t, both in *veſſels of wood*, & in *veſſels of* ſtone.
And Moſes and Aaron did ſo, as the LORD
manded: and he * lift vp the rod, & ſmote the
ers that were in the riuer, in the ſight of Phara-
& in the ſight of his ſeruants: and all the * wa-
that were in the riuer, were turned to blood.
And the fiſh that *was* in the riuer died: and
riuer ſtanke, & the Egyptians could not drinke
the water of the riuer, and there was blood
roughout all the land of Egypt.
* And the Magicians of Egypt did ſo with
ir inchantments: and Pharaohs heart was har-
ed: neither did he hearken vnto them, as the
RD had ſaid.
And Pharaoh turned and went into his houſe,
ther did he ſet his heart to this alſo.
And all the Egyptians digged round about
riuer for water to drinke: for they could not
nke of the water of the riuer.
And ſeuen dayes were fulfilled after that the
RD had ſmitten the riuer.

CHAP. VIII.

Frogs are ſent. 8 *Pharaoh ſueth to Moſes.* 12 *Moſes prayeth, remoueth them away.* 16 *The duſt turned into lice, which the Magicians could not.* 20 *The ſwarmes of flies.* 25 *Pharaoh entreated to let the people goe,* 32 *but yet is hardened.*

ND the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes; Goe vnto
Pharaoh, and ſay vnto him, Thus ſaith the
RD, Let my people goe, that they may ſerue me.
And if thou refuſe to let them goe, behold, I
ll ſmite all thy borders with frogs.
And the riuer ſhal bring forth frogs abundant-
, which ſhall goe vp & come into thine houſe, and
thy bedchamber, & vpon thy bed, and into the
uſe of thy ſeruants, and vpon thy people, and into
ne ouens, and into thy ‖ kneading troughes.
And the frogs ſhall come vp both on thee, and
on thy people, and vpon all thy ſeruants.
¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, Say vnto
ron Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod ouer
ſtreames, ouer the riuers, & ouer the ponds, and
ſe frogs to come vp vpon the land of Egypt.
And Aaron ſtretched out his hand ouer the
ters of Egypt, and the frogs came vp and couered
land of Egypt.
* And ſ Magicians did ſo with their inchant-
nts & brought vp frogs vpon the land of Egypt.
¶ Then Pharaoh called for Moſes and Aaron,
d ſaid, Intreat the LORD, that he may take away
frogs from me, and from my people: and I will
the people goe, that they may doe ſacrifice vnto
LORD.
And Moſes ſaid vnto Pharaoh, ‖ Glory ouer
: ‖ When ſhall I intreat for thee, and for thy
rants, and for thy people, to † deſtroy the frogs
m thee and thy houſes, that they may remaine in
riuer onely?
And he ſaid, ‖ To morrow. And he ſaid, *Be it*
cording to thy word, that thou mayeſt know that
re is none like vnto the LORD our God.
And the frogs ſhall depart from thee, & from
houſes, and from thy ſeruants, and from thy peo-
; they ſhall remaine in the riuer onely.
And Moſes and Aaron went out from Phara-
: and Moſes cryed vnto the LORD, becauſe of the
frogs which he had brought againſt Pharaoh.
And the LORD did according to the word of
Moſes: and the frogs died out of the houſes, out of
the villages, and out of the fields.
And they gathered them together vpon heaps,
and the land ſtanke.
But when Pharaoh ſaw that there was reſpite,
he hardened his heart, and hearkened not vnto them
as the LORD had ſaid.
¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, Say vnto
Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and ſmite the duſt of
the land, that it may become lice thorowout all the
land of Egypt.
And they did ſo: for Aaron ſtretched out his
hand with his rod, & ſmote the duſt of the earth, and
it became lice, in man, and in beaſt: all § duſt of the
land became lice, thorowout all the land of Egypt.
And the Magicians did ſo with their inchant-
ments to bring forth lice, but they could not: ſo
there were lice vpon man and vpon beaſt.
Then the Magicians ſaid vnto Pharaoh, This
is the finger of God. And Pharaohs heart was har-
dened, and he hearkened not vnto them, as the LORD
had ſaid.
¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, Riſe vp
early in the morning, and ſtand before Pharaoh,
loe, he commeth forth to the water, and ſay vnto
him, Thus ſaith the LORD, let my people goe, that
they may ſerue me.
Elſe, if thou wilt not let my people goe, behold,
I will ſend ‖ ſwarmes of flies vpon thee, & vpon thy
ſeruants, and vpon thy people, and into thy houſes:
and the houſes of the Egyptians ſhall be full of
ſwarmes of flies, & alſo § ground whereon they are.
And I will ſeuer in that day the land of Go-
ſhen, in which my people dwell, that no ſwarmes of
flies ſhall be there, to the end thou mayeſt know
that I *am* the LORD in the midſt of the earth.
And I will put † a diuiſion betweene my peo-
ple and thy people. ‖ to morrow ſhall this ſigne be.
And the LORD did ſo: and * there came a
grieuous ſwarme of flies into the houſe of Phara-
oh, and into his ſeruants houſes, and into all the
land of Egypt: the land was ‖ corrupted by reaſon
of the ſwarme of flies.
¶ And Pharaoh called for Moſes & for Aaron,
and ſaid, Goe ye, ſacrifice to your God in the land.
And Moſes ſaid, It is not meet ſo to doe: for
we ſhall ſacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians
to the LORD our God: Loe, ſhall we ſacrifice
the abomination of the Egyptians before their
eyes, and will they not ſtone vs?
We will goe three dayes iourney into the
wilderneſſe, and ſacrifice to the LORD our God, as
* he ſhall command vs.
And Pharaoh ſaid, I will let you goe, that yee
may ſacrifice to § LORD your God in the wilder-
neſſe: only you ſhall not goe very far away: intreat for me.
And Moſes ſaid, Behold, I goe out from thee,
and I will intreat the LORD, that the ſwarmes of
flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his ſeruants,
and from his people to morrow: but let not Pha-
raoh deale deceitfully any more, in not letting the
people goe to ſacrifice to the LORD.
And Moſes went out from Pharaoh, and in-
treated the LORD.
And the LORD did according to the word of
Moſes: and he remoued the ſwarmes of flies, from
Pharaoh, from his ſeruants, and from his people:
there remained not one.
And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time
alſo, neither would he let the people goe.

[Or, A mixture of noiſome beaſts, &c.

† Hebr. A redemption.

‖ Or, by to morrow.

** Wiſd. 16. 9.*

‖ Or, deſtroyed.

** Chap. 3. 18.*

CHAP.

CHAP. IX.

1 *The murraine of beasts.* 8 *The plague of boiles and blaines.* 13 *His message about the haile.* 22 *The plague of haile.* 27 *Pharaoh sueth to Moses,* 35 *but yet is hardened.*

THen the LORD said vnto Moses. Goe in vnto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrewes, Let my people goe, that they may serue me.

2 For if thou refuse to let *them* goe, and wilt hold them still;

3 Behold, the hand of the LORD is vpon thy cattell which is in the field, vpon the horses, vpon the asses vpon the camels, vpon the oxen, and vpon the sheepe: there *shall be* a very grieuous murraine.

4 And the LORD shall seuer between the cattell of Israel, and the cattell of Egypt, and there shall nothing die of all that is the childrens of Israel.

5 And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the LORD shall doe this thing in the land.

6 And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattell of Egypt died, but of the cattell of the children of Israel died not one.

7 And Pharaoh sent, and behold, there was not one of the cattell of the Israelites dead. And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people goe.

8 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, and vnto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it towards the heauen, in the sight of Pharaoh:

9 And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt and shall be a boile breaking forth *with* blaines, vpon man, and vpon beast, throwout all the land of Egypt.

10 And they tooke ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh, and Moses sprinkled it vp toward heauen; and it became a boile breaking forth *with* blaines, vpon man and vpon beast.

11 And the Magicians could not stand before Moses, because of the boiles: for the boile was vpon the Magicians, and vpon all the Egyptians.

12 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not vnto them, * as the LORD had spoken vnto Moses. * Chap. 4.21.

13 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Rise vp early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say vnto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrewes, Let my people goe, that they may serue me.

14 For I will at this time send all my plagues vpon thine heart, and vpon thy seruants, and vpon thy people: that thou mayest know that *there is* none like me in all the earth.

15 For now I will stretch out mine hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence, and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

16 And in very deed, for this *cause* haue I † raised thee vp, for to shew in thee my power, & that my Name may be declared throwout all the earth. * Rom. 9.17. † Heb. made thee stand.

17 As yet exaltest thou thy selfe against my people, that thou wilt not let them goe?

18 Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to raine a very grieuous haile, such as hath not beene in Egypt since the foundation thereof, euen vntill now.

19 Send therefore now, and gather thy cattell, and all that thou hast in the field: for *vpon* euery man and beast which shall be found in the field and shall not be brought home, the haile shall come downe vpon them, and they shall die.

20 He that feared the word of the LORD amongst the seruants of Pharaoh, made his seruants and his cattell flee into the houses.

21 And he that † regarded not the word of the LORD, left his seruants and his cattell in the field.

22 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heauen, that there may be haile in all the land of Egypt, vpon man, and vpon beast, and vpon euery herbe of the field, throughout the land of Egypt.

23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heauen, and the LORD sent thunder and haile, and the fire ran along vpon the ground, and the LORD rained haile vpon the land of Egypt.

24 So there was haile, and fire mingled with the haile, very grieuous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt, since it became a nation.

25 And the haile smote throwout all the land of Egypt, all that *was* in the field, both man and beast; and the haile smote euery herbe of the field, and brake euery tree of the field.

26 Onely in the land of Goshen where the children of Israel *were*, was there no haile.

27 ¶ And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said vnto them, I haue sinned *this time*: the LORD is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.

28 Intreat † LORD, (for it is enough) that there be no more † mighty thunderings and haile, and I will let you goe, and ye shall stay no longer.

29 And Moses said vnto him, Assoone as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands vnto the LORD, *and* the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more haile: that thou mayest know how that the * earth *is* the LORDS.

30 But as for thee and thy seruants, I know that ye will not yet feare the LORD God.

31 And the flaxe and the barley was smitten: for the barley *was* in the eare, & the flaxe *was* bolled:

32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they were † not growne vp.

33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands vnto the LORD: and the thunders and haile ceased, and the raine was not powred vpon the earth.

34 And when Pharaoh saw that the raine, and the haile, and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his seruants.

35 And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened; neither would he let the children of Israel goe, as the LORD had spoken † by Moses.

CHAP. X.

1 *God threatneth to send locusts.* 7 *Pharaoh moued by his seruants, inclineth to let the Israelites goe.* 12 *The plague of the locusts.* 16 *Pharaoh sueth to Moses.* 21 *The plague of darkenes.* 24 *Pharaoh sueth vnto Moses,* 27 *but yet is hardened.*

AND the LORD said vnto Moses, Goe in vnto Pharaoh † for * I haue hardened his heart, and the heart of his seruants, that I might shew these my signes before him:

2 And that thou mayest tell in the eares of thy sonne, and of thy sonnes sonne, what things I haue wrought in Egypt, and my signes which I haue done amongst them: that yee may know how that I am the LORD.

3 And Moses and Aaron came in vnto Pharaoh, and said vnto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrewes, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thy selfe before me? Let my people goe, that they may serue me.

4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people goe, behold, to morrow will I bring the * locusts into thy coast:

5 And

And they shall couer the † face of the earth, ne cannot bee able to see the earth, and they eat the residue of that which is escaped, which eth vnto you from the haile, and shall eate tree which groweth for you out of the field.
And they shal fill thy houses, and the houses of thy seruants, and the houses of all the Egypti- which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers fa- haue seene, since the day that they were vpon arth vnto this day. And hee turned himselfe, ent out from Pharaoh.
And Pharaohs seruants said vnto him, How shall this man be a snare vnto vs? let the men that they may serue the LORD their God: est thou not yet, that Egypt is destroyed?
And Moses and Aaron were brought againe Pharaoh: and he said vnto them, Go, serue the D your God: *but* † who *are* they that shall go?
And Moses said, We will goe with our young, with our old, with our sonnes, and with our ghters, with our flockes, and with our herds wee goe, for we *must hold* a feast vnto the RD.
And he said vnto them, Let the LORD be so you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: e to it, for euill is before you.
Not so: goe now ye *that are* men, and serue LORD, for that you did desire: and they were en out from Pharaohs presence.
¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Stretch out hand ouer the land of Egypt for the locusts, they may come vp vpon the land of Egypt, and euery herbe of the land, euen all that the haile left.
And Moses stretched foorth his rod ouer the of Egypt, and the LORD brought an East vpon the land all that day, and all that night: when it was morning, the East wind brought ocust.
And the locusts went vp ouer all the land of pt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very ious were they: before them there were no locusts as they, neither after them shalbe such.
For they couered the face of the whole earth, at the land was darkned, and they did eat euer- erbe of the land, and all the fruit of the trees, h the haile had left, and there remained not reene thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the throw all the land of Egypt.
¶ Then Pharaoh † called for Moses and Aa- haste: and he said, I haue sinned against the D your God, and against you.
Now therefore forgiue, I pray thee, my sinne, this once, and intreat the LORD your God, e may take away from me this death onely.
And he went out from Pharaoh and intreated LORD.
And the LORD turned a mighty strong West which tooke away the locusts, and † cast them the red Sea: there remained not one locust in e coasts of Egypt.
But the LORD hardened Pharaohs heart, so e would not let the children of Israel goe.
¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Stretch out hand toward heauen, that there may be dark- ouer the land of Egypt, † euen darknesse may be felt.
And Moses stretched foorth his hand toward n: and there was a thicke darknesse in all the f Egypt three dayes.
They saw not one another, neither rose any his place for three dayes: † * but all the chil-

dren of Israel had light in their dwellings.
24 ¶ And Pharaoh called vnto Moses, and said, Goe ye, serue the LORD: onely let your flocks and your herds bee stayed: let your little ones also goe with you.
25 And Moses said, Thou must giue † vs also sa- crifices and burnt offerings, that wee may sacrifice vnto the LORD our God. † *Hebr.* *into our hands.*
26 Our cattell also shall goe with vs, there shall not an hoofe be left behind: for thereof must wee take to serue the LORD our God: and wee know not with what wee must serue the LORD, vntill we come thither.
27 ¶ But the LORD hardened Pharaohs heart, and he would not let them goe.
28 And Pharaoh said vnto him, Get thee from mee, take heed to thy selfe: see my face no more: for in that day thou seest my face, thou shalt die.
29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face againe no more.

CHAP. XI.

1 Gods message to the Israelites to borrow iewels of their neighbours. 4 Moses threatneth Pharaoh with the death of the first borne.

AND the LORD said vnto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague more vpon Pharaoh, and vpon Egypt, afterwards he will let you go hence, when he shall let *you* goe, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether.
2 Speake now in the eares of the people, and let euery man borrow of his neighbour, and euery wo- man of her neighbour, * iewels of siluer, and iew- els of gold. * Chap. 3.22. and 12.35.
3 And the LORD gaue the people fauour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreouer, the man * Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaohs seruants, and in the sight of the people. * Ecclus. 45.1.
4 And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, * About midnight will I goe out into the midst of Egypt. * Chap. 12.29.
5 And all the first borne in the land of Egypt shall die, from the first borne of Pharaoh that sit- teth vpon his throne, euen vnto the first borne of the maid-seruant that is behind the mill, and all the first borne of beasts.
6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.
7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog moue his tongue, against man nor beast: that yee may know how that the LORD doeth put a difference betweene the Egyptians and Israel.
8 And all these thy seruants shall come downe vnto me, and bow downe themselues vnto me, say- ing, Get thee out, and all the people that † follow thee: and after that I will goe out: and hee went out from Pharaoh in † a great anger. † *Heb.* *that is at thy feet.* † *Hebr.* *heate of anger.*
9 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken vnto you: that my wonders may bee multiplied in the land of Egypt.
10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD hardned Pharaohs heart, so that he would not let the children of Is- rael goe out of his land.

CHAP. XII.

1 The beginning of the yeere is changed. 3 The Passouer is instituted. 11 The rite of the Passe- ouer. 15 Vnleauened bread. 29 The first borne are slaine. 31 The Israelites are driuen out of the land. 37 They come to Succoth. 43 The ordinance of the Passouer.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying:

2 This

2 This moneth *shall be* vnto you the beginning of moneths: it shall be the first moneth of the yeere to you.

3 ¶ Speake ye vnto all the Congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this moneth they shall take to them euery man a lambe, according to the house of *their* fathers, a ‖ lambe for an house.

‖ *Or, kid.*

4 And if the household bee too little for the lambe, let him and his neighbour next vnto his house, take *it* according to the number of the soules: euery man according to his eating shall make your count for the lambe.

5 Your lambe shall bee without blemish, a male † of the first yeere: yee shall take *it* out from the sheepe, or from the goats.

† *Hebr. sonne of a yere.*

6 And ye shal keep it vp vntil the fourteenth day of the same moneth: and the whole assembly of the Congregation of Israel shal kill it † in the euening.

† *Hebr. betweene the two euenings.*

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side postes, and on the vpper doore post of the houses wherein they shall eate it.

8 And they shall eate the flesh in that night roste with fire, and vnleauened bread, *and* with bitter herbes they shall eate it.

9 Eate not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roste *with* fire: his head, with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

10 And ye shall let nothing of it remaine vntill the morning: and that which remaineth of it vntill the morning, ye shall burne with fire.

11 ¶ And thus shall ye eate it: with your loynes girded, your shooes on your feet, and your staffe in your hand: and ye shall eate it in haste: it is the LORDS Passeouer.

12 For I will passe thorow the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the first borne in the land of Egypt both man and beast, and against all the ‖ gods of Egypt I will execute iudgement: I *am* the LORD.

‖ *Or, Princes.*

13 And the blood shall bee to you for a token vpon the houses where you *are*: and when I see the blood, I will passe ouer you, and the plague shall not be vpon you † to destroy *you*, when I smite the land of Egypt.

† *Hebr. for a destruction.*

14 And this day shall bee vnto you for a memoriall: and you shall keepe it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations: you shall keepe it a feast by an ordinance for euer.

15 Seuen dayes shall yee eate vnleauened bread, euen the first day yee shall put away leauen out of your houses: For whosoeuer eateth leauened bread from the first day vntill the seuenth day, that soule shall be cut off from Israel.

16 And in the first day there *shall be* an holy conuocation, and in the seuenth day there shall bee an holy conuocation to you: no maner of worke shall be done in them, saue that which euery † man must eate, that onely may be done of you.

† *Hebr. soule.*

17 And ye shall obserue the *feast of* vnleauened bread: for in this selfe same day haue I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye obserue this day in your generations, by an ordinance for euer.

Leuit. 23.5. num. 28. 16.

18 ¶ *In the first *moneth*, on the fourteenth day of the moneth at euen, ye shal eat vnleauened bread vntil ‡ one & twentieth day of the moneth at euen.

19 Seuen dayes shal there be no leauen found in your houses: for whosoeuer eateth that which is leauened, euen that soule shall be cut off from the Congregation of Israel, whether hee be a stranger, or borne in the land.

20 Yee shall eate nothing leauened; in all your habitations shall yee eate vnleauened bread.

21 ¶ Then Moses called for all the Elders of Israel, and said vnto them, Draw out, and take you ‖ lambe, according to your families, and kill Passeouer.

22 *And ye shal take a bunch of hyssope, and dip it in the blood that *is* in the bason, and strike the lintell and the two side postes with the blood that is in the bason: and none of you shall goe out at the doore of his house vntill the morning.

23 For the LORD will passe through to smite the Egyptians: and when hee seeth the blood vpon the lintell, and on the two side postes, the LORD will passe ouer the doore, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in vnto your houses to smite *you*.

24 And yee shall obserue this thing for an ordinance to thee, and to thy sonnes for euer.

25 And it shal come to passe, when ye be come into the land, which the LORD will giue you according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this seruice.

26 *And it shal come to passe when your children shal say vnto you, What meane you by this seruice?

27 That yee shall say, It is the sacrifice of the LORDS Passeouer, who passed ouer the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and deliuered our houses. And the people bowed the head, and worshipped.

28 And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

29 ¶ *And it came to passe, that at midnight the LORD smote all ‡ firstborne in the land of Egypt, * from the first borne of Pharaoh that sate on his throne, vnto the first borne of the captiue that *was* in the † dungeon, and all the first borne of cattell.

30 And Pharaoh rose vp in the night, hee and all his seruants, and all the Egyptians, and there was a great crie in Egypt: for there was not an house where there was not one dead.

31 ¶ And he called for Moses & Aaron by night, and said, Rise vp, *and* get you forth from among my people, both you, and the children of Israel: and go, serue the LORD, as ye haue said.

32 Also take your flockes, and your herds, as ye haue said, and be gone, and blesse me also.

33 And the Egyptians were vrgent vpon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste: for they said, We be all dead men.

34 And the people tooke their dough before it was leauened, their ‖ kneading troughes being bound vp in their clothes vpon their shoulders.

35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses: and they borrowed of the Egyptians * iewels of siluer, and iewels of gold, and raiment.

36 And the LORD gaue the people fauour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent vnto them such things as they required: and they spoiled the Egyptians.

37 ¶ *And the children of Israel iourneyed from Rameses to Succoth, about sixe hundred thousand on foot, *that were* men, beside children.

38 And a † mixed multitude went vp also with them, and flocks, and herds, euen very much cattell.

39 And they baked vnleauened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt: for it was not leauened: because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselues any victuall.

40 ¶ Now the soiourning of the children of Israel who dwelt in Egypt, *was* * foure hundred and thirty yeeres.

41

it And it came to passe at the end of the foure
ndred and thirty yeeres, euen the selfe same day
came to passe, that all the hostes of the LORD
ent out from the land of Egypt.
42 It is a † night to be much obserued vnto the
ORD for bringing them out from the land of E-
pt: This is that night of the LORD to be obser-
d of all ſ children of Israel in their generations.
43 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses and Aaron,
his is the Ordinance of the Passeouer: There shall
o stranger eate thereof.
44 But euery mans seruant that is bought for
oney, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall
eate thereof.
45 A forreigner and an hired seruant shall not
t thereof.
46 * In one house shall it be eaten, thou shalt not
ry foorth ought of the flesh abroad out of the
use, neither shall ye breake a bone thereof.
47 All the Congregation of Israel shall † keep it.
48 And when a stranger shal sojourne with thee,
d will keepe the Passeouer to the LORD, let all
s males bee circumcised, and then let him come
ere, and keepe it: and he shall be as one that is
rne in the land: for no vncircumcised person
all eat thereof.
49 One law shall be to him that is home-borne,
d vnto the stranger that sojourneth among you.
50 Thus did all the children of Israel: as the
ORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.
51 And it came to passe the selfe same day, that
e LORD did bring the children of Israel out of
e land of Egypt by their armies.

CHAP. XIII.

*1 The first borne are sanctified to God. 3 The me-
riall of the Passeouer is commanded. 11 The
liings of beasts are set apart. 17 The Israelites
out of Egypt and cary Iosephs bones with them.
They come to Etham. 21 God guideth them by a
lar of a cloud and a pillar of fire.*

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 * Sanctifie vnto mee all the first borne,
atsoeuer openeth the wombe among the chil-
n of Israel, both of man and of beast: it is mine.
3 ¶ And Moses said vnto the people, Remember
s day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of
e house of † bondage: for by strength of hand
e LORD brought you out from this *place*: there
all no leauened bread be eaten.
4 This day came ye out in the moneth Abib.
5 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring
e into the land of the Canaanites, and the Hit-
es, and the Amorites, and the Hiuites, and the
busites, which hee sware vnto thy fathers to giue
e, a land flowing with milke and honey, that
u shalt keepe this seruice in this moneth.
6 Seuen dayes thou shalt eat vnleauened bread,
d in the seuenth day *shall be a* feast to the LORD.
7 Vnleauened bread shall be eaten seuen dayes:
d there shall no leauened bread bee seene with
e: neither shall there be leauen seene with thee
all thy quarters.
8 ¶ And thou shalt shew thy sonne in that day,
ying, *This is done* because of that *which* the LORD
did vnto me, when I came forth out of Egypt.
9 And it shall be for a signe vnto thee vpon thine
nd, and for a memoriall betweene thine eyes,
at the LORDS Law may bee in thy mouth: for
th a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee
t of Egypt.
10 Thou shalt therefore keepe this Ordinance in
s season, from yeere to yeere.

11 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring
thee into the land of the Canaanites, as hee sware
vnto thee, and to thy fathers, and shall giue it thee:
12 * That thou shalt † set apart vnto the LORD * Chap.
all that openeth the matrix, and euery firstling that 22.29.&
commeth of a beast, which thou hast, the males shall 34.19.
be the LORDS. Deut.
15.19.
13 And euery firstling of an asse thou shalt re- † Heb.
deeme with a ‖ lambe: and if thou wilt not re- cause to
deeme it, then thou shalt breake his necke, and all passe ouer,
the first borne of man amongst thy children shalt ‖ Or, kid.
thou redeeme.
14 ¶ And it shall be when thy sonne asketh thee
† in time to come, saying, What is this? that thou † Heb. to
shalt say vnto him, By strength of hand the LORD morrow,
brought vs out from Egypt, from the house of
bondage.
15 And it came to passe, when Pharaoh would
hardly let vs goe, that the LORD slew all the first
borne in the land of Egypt, both the first borne of
man, and the first borne of beasts: Therefore I sacri-
fice to the LORD all that openeth the matrix, be-
ing males: but all the first borne of my children I
redeeme.
16 And it shall be for a token vpon thine hand,
and for frontlets betweene thine eyes: For by
strength of hand the LORD brought vs fourth out
of Egypt.
17 ¶ And it came to passe when Pharaoh had let
the people goe, that God led them not thorow the
way of the land of the Philistines, although that
was neere: For God said, Lest peraduenture the
people repent when they see warre, and they re-
turne to Egypt:
18 But God led the people about thorow the
way of the wildernesse of the red Sea: and the chil-
dren of Israel went vp ‖ harnessed out of the land ‖ Or, by
of Egypt. fiue in a
ranke.
19 And Moses tooke the bones of Ioseph with
him: for hee had straitly sworne the children of
Israel saying, * God will surely visit you, and yee * Gen. 50.
shall carry vp my bones away hence with you. 25. Ioſh.
20 ¶ And * they tooke their iourney from Suc- 24.32.
coth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the * Nu. 33.6
wildernesse.
21 And * the LORD went before them by day in * Num.
a pillar of a cloud, to leade them the way, and by 14.14.
night in a pillar of fire, to giue them light to goe Deut. 1.33.
by day and night. Pſ. 78.14.
22 Hee tooke not away the pillar of the cloud 1. Cor. 10.1
by day, nor the pillar of fire by night *from* before * Neh. 9.
the people. 19.

CHAP. XIIII.

*1 God instructeth the Israelites in their iourney.
5 Pharaoh pursueth after them. 10 The Israelites
murmure. 15 Moses comforteth them. 15 God in-
structeth Moses. 19 The cloud removeth behind
the campe. 21 The Israelites passe thorow the red
Sea, 23 which droweth the Egyptians.*

ANd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, that
they turne and encampe before * Pi-hahiroth, be- * Num.
tweene Migdol and the Sea, ouer against Baal-ze- 33.7.
phon: before it shall ye encampe by the Sea.
3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel,
they *are* intangled in the land, the wildernes hath
shut them in.
4 And I will harden Pharaohs heart, that hee
shall follow after them, and I will bee honoured
vpon Pharaoh, and vpon all his hoste, that the
Egyptians may know that I am the LORD. And
they did so.

5 ¶ And it was told the King of Egypt, that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why haue we done this, that we haue let Israel goe from seruing vs?

6 And hee made ready his charet, and tooke his people with him.

7 And he tooke sixe hundred chosen charets, and all the charets of Egypt, and captaines ouer every one of them.

8 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh King of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand.

*Iosh.24.6. 1.mac.4.9. 9 But the *Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and charets of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army,) and ouertooke them encamping by the Sea, beside Pi-hahiroth before Baal-zephon.

10 ¶ And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lift vp their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them: and they were sore afraid: & the children of Israel cried out vnto the LORD.

11 And they said vnto Moses, Because there were no graues in Egypt, hast thou taken vs away to die in the wildernesse? Wherefore hast thou dealt thus with vs, to cary vs forth out of Egypt?

*Chap.6.9. 12 * Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let vs alone, that we may serue the Egyptians? For it had beene better for vs to serue the Egyptians, then that we should die in the wildernesse.

13 ¶ And Moses said vnto the people, Feare ye not, stand still, and see the saluation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: ‖ for the Egyptians whom ye haue seene to day, ye shall see them againe no more for euer.

‖Or, for whereas you haue seene the Egyptians to day, &c.

14 The LORD shall fight for you, and yee shall hold your peace.

15 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Wherefore cryest thou vnto me? Speake vnto the children of Israel that they goe forward.

16 But lift thou vp thy rod, and stretch out thine hand ouer the Sea and diuide it: and the children of Israel shall goe on dry ground thorow the midst of the Sea.

17 And ‖behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honor vpon Pharaoh, and vpon all his hoste, vpon his charets, and vpon his horsemen.

18 And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I haue gotten me honour vpon Pharaoh, vpon his charets, and vpon his horsemen.

19 ¶ And the Angel of God which went before the camp of Israel remoued and went behind them, and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them.

20 And it came betweene the campe of the Egyptians, and the campe of Israel, and it was a cloud and darkenesse *to them*, but it gaue light by night *to these*: so that the one came not neere the other all the night.

Heb.38. Exalus. 39.17.

21 And Moses stretched out his hand ouer the Sea, and the LORD caused the Sea to goe *backe* by a strong East wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were *diuided.

*Iosh.4.23.psal.114.3. *Ps.78.13 1.cor.10.1.heb.11.29.

22 And * the children of Israel went into the midst of the Sea vpon the dry ground, and the waters were a wall vnto them on their right hand and on their left.

23 ¶ And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the Sea, *euen* all Pharaohs horses, his charets, and his horsemen.

24 And it came to passe, that in the morning watch, the LORD looked vnto the hoste of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the hoste of the Egyptians,

25 And tooke off their charet wheeles, that they drane them heauily: So that the Egyptians said, Let vs flee from the face of Israel: *for the* LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

26 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Stretch out thine hand ouer the Sea, that the waters may come again vpon the Egyptians, vpon their charets, and vpon their horsemen.

27 And Moses stretched foorth his hand ouer the Sea, and the Sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared: and the Egyptians fled against it: and the Lord † ouerthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the Sea.

28 And the waters returned, and couered the charets, and the horsemen, *and* all the hoste of Pharaoh that came into the Sea after them: there remained not so much as *one of them.

29 But the children of Israel walked vpon dry land in the midst of the Sea; and the waters were a wall vnto them on their right hand & on their left.

30 Thus the LORD saued Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians: and Israel saw the Egyptians dead vpon the Sea shore.

31 And Israel saw that great † worke which the LORD did vpon the Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and beleeued the LORD, and his seruant Moses.

CHAP. XV.

1 Moses song. 22 *The people want water.* 23 *The waters at Marah are bitter.* 25 *A tree sweetneth them.* 27 *At Elim are twelue welles, and seuenty Palme trees.*

THen sang * Moses and the children of Israel this song vnto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing vnto the LORD: for hee hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he throwen into the Sea.

2 The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my saluation: hee is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my fathers God, and I will exalt him.

3 The LORD *is* a man of warre: the LORD is his Name.

4 Pharaohs charets and his hoste hath he cast into the Sea: his chosen captaines also are drowned in the red Sea.

5 The depths haue couered them: they sanke to the bottome as a stone.

6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power, thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

7 And in the greatnes of thine excellency thou hast ouerthrowne them that rose vp against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, *which* consumed them as stubble.

8 And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together: the floods stood vpright as an heape: *and* the depths were congealed in the heart of the Sea.

9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will ouertake, I will diuide the spoile: my lust shall be satisfied vpon them: I will draw my sword, mine hand shall ‖ destroy them.

10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea couered them, they sanke as lead in the mighty waters.

11 Who *is* like vnto thee, O LORD, among the gods? Who *is* like thee, glorious in holines, fearefull in praises, doing wonders?

12 Th

12 Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

13 Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided *them* in thy strength vnto thy holy habitation.

14 * The people shall heare, *and* be afraid: sorrow shal take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

15 Then the Dukes of Edom shall bee amazed: the mighty men of Moab trembling shal take hold vpon them: all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

16 * Feare and dread shall fall vpon them, by the greatnesse of thine arme they shall be as still as a stone, till thy people passe ouer, O LORD, till the people passe ouer which thou hast purchased.

17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountaine of thine inheritance, in the place, O LORD, *which* thou hast made for thee to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O LORD, *which* thy hands haue established.

18 The LORD shall reigne for euer and euer.

19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariets and with his horsemen into the Sea, and the LORD brought againe the waters of the Sea vpon them: But the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the Sea.

20 ¶ And Miriam the Prophetesse the sister of Aaron tooke a timbrell in her hand, & all ỹ women went out after her, with timbrels and with dances.

21 And Miriam answered them, Sing yee to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he throwne into the Sea.

22 So Moses brought Israel from the red Sea, and they went out into the wilderneſſe of Shur: and they went three dayes in the wilderneſſe, and found no water.

23 ¶ And when they came to Marah, they could not drinke of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.

24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drinke?

25 And he cried vnto the LORD: and the LORD shewed him a * tree, which when hee had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there hee made a statute and an ordinance, and there hee proued them,

26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voyce of the LORD thy God, and wilt doe that which is right in his sight, and wilt giue eare to his Commandements, and keepe all his Statutes, I will put none of these diseases vpon thee, which I haue brought vpon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee.

27 ¶ * And they came to Elim: where *were* twelue wells of water, and threescore and ten palme trees, and they encamped there by the waters.

CHAP. XVI.

The Israelites come to Sin. 2 They murmure for want of bread: 4 God promiseth them bread from heauen. 11 Quailes are sent, 14 and Manna. 27 The ordering of Manna, 25 It was not to bee had on the Sabbath. 32 An Omer of it is preserued.

1 And they tooke their iourney from Elim, and all the Congregation of the children of Israel came vnto the wilderneſſe of Sin, which is betweene Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second moneth after their departing out of the land of Egypt.

2 And the whole Congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderneſſe.

3 And the children of Israel said vnto them, Would to God wee had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sate by the flesh-pots, *and* when we did eate bread to the full: for ye haue brought vs forth into this wilderneſſe, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

4 ¶ Then said the LORD vnto Moses, Behold I will raine bread from heauen for you: and the people shall goe out, and gather † a certaine rate euery day, that I may proue them, whether they will walke in my Law or no.

† Heb. the portion of a day in his day.

5 And it shall come to passe that on the sixt day they shall prepare that which they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.

6 And Moses and Aaron said vnto all the children of Israel, At Euen, then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from ỹ land of Egypt.

7 And in the morning then ye shal see the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD: And what are wee that ye murmure against vs?

8 And Moses said, This shall be when the LORD shall giue you in the euening flesh to eate, and in the morning bread to the full: for that the LORD heareth your murmurings which ye murmure against him; and what are we? your murmurings are not against vs but against the LORD.

9 ¶ And Moses spake vnto Aaron, Say vnto all the Congregation of the children of Israel, Come neere before the LORD: for hee hath heard your murmurings.

10 And it came to passe as Aaron spake vnto the whole Congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderneſſe, and behold, the glory of the LORD * appeared in the cloud.

* Chap. 13.21.

11 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

12 I haue heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: Speake vnto them, saying, At Euen ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread: and yee shall know that I am the LORD your God.

13 And it came to passe, that at Euen * the quailes came vp, and couered the campe: and in the morning the dew lay round about the hoste.

* Num. 11.31.

14 And when * the dew that lay was gone vp, behold, vpon the face of the wildernesse there lay a small round thing, *as* small as the hore-frost on the ground.

* Num. 11.7. psal. 78.24. wisd 16.20

15 And when the children of Israel saw *it*, they said one to another, ¶ It is Manna: for they wist not what it *was*. And Moses said vnto them, * This is the bread which the LORD hath giuen you to eat.

† Or, what is it? or is it a portion.

16 ¶ This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded: gather of it euery man according to his eating: an Omer † for euery man, according to the number of your † persons, take ye euery man for them which are in his tent.

* Ioh. 6.31 2. Cor. 10.3 † Heb. head. † Heb. soules. poll or

17 And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some lesse.

18 And when they did mete *it* with an Omer, he that gathered much, had nothing ouer, and he that gathered little, had no lacke: they gathered euery man according to his eating.

2. Cor. 8.15.

19 And Moses said, Let no man leaue of it till the morning.

16. an Omer is three pints & a half or 3 pints & ½ by Dr Cox

20 Notwithstanding, they hearkened not vnto Moses, but some of them left of it vntill the morning, and it bred wormes and stanke: and Moses was wroth with them.

21 And they gathered it euery morning, euery man according to his eating: and when the Sunne waxed hot it melted.

22 ¶ And it came to passe that on the sixt day they

they gathered twice as much bread, two Omers for one man: and all the rulers of the Congregation came and told Moses.

23 And he said vnto them, This is that which the LORD hath said, To morrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath vnto the LORD: bake that which you will bake, to day, and seeth that ye will seeth, and that which remaineth ouer, lay vp for you to bee kept vntill the morning.

24 And they laid it vp till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stinke, neither was there any worme therein.

25 And Moses said, Eate that to day, for to day is a Sabbath vnto the LORD: to day ye shall not finde it in the field.

26 Six dayes ye shall gather it, but on the seuenth day which is the Sabbath, in it there shalbe none.

27 ¶ And it came to passe, that there went out some of the people on the seuenth day for to gather and they found none.

28 And the LORD said vnto Moses, How long refuse ye to keep my commandements, and my lawes?

29 See, for that the LORD hath giuen you the Sabbath, therefore he giueth you on the sixt day the bread of two dayes: abide ye euery man in his place: let no man go out of his place on the seuenth day.

30 So the people rested on the seuenth day.

31 And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it was like Coriander seed, white: and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey

32 ¶ And Moses said This is the thing which the LORD commandeth: Fil an Omer of it to be kept for your generations, that they may see the bread wherewith I haue fed you in the wildernesse, when I brought you foorth from the land of Egypt.

33 And Moses said vnto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an Omer full of Manna therein, and lay it vp, before the LORD, to be kept for your generations.

34 As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it vp before the Testimony to be kept.

35 And the children of Israel did eat Manna forty yeeres *vntill they came to a land inhabited: they did eat Manna vntill they came vnto the borders of the land of Canaan.

36 Now an Omer is the tenth of an Ephah.

*Iosh.5. 12.nehe. 9.15.

CHAP. XVII.

1 The people murmure for water at Rephidim: 5 God sendeth him for water to the rocke in Horeb. 8 Amalek is ouercome by the holding vp of Moses hands. 15 Moses buildeth the Altar IEHOVAH Nissi.

AND all the Congregation of the children of Israel iourned from the wilderenes of Sin after their iourneyes, according to the commandement of the LORD, and pitched in Rephidim: and there was no water for the people to drinke.

2 Wherefore * the people did chide with Moses and said, Giue vs water that we may drinke. And Moses said vnto them, Why chide you with mee? Wherefore do ye tempt the LORD?

*Numb. 20.4.

3 And the people thirsted there for water, & the people murmured against Moses, & said, Wherefore is this, that thou hast brought vs vp out of Egypt, to kill vs and our children, & our cattell with thirst?

4 And Moses cried vnto the LORD, saying, What shall I doe vnto this people? they be almost ready to stone me.

* Chap. 7.20. * Num. 20.9. Psal.78 14.&105 15.wisd 11.4.1co 10.4.

5 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Goe on before the people, and take with thee of the Elders of Israel: and thy rod wherewith * thou smotest the riuer, take in thine hand, and goe.

6 * Behold, I will stand before thee there, vpon the rocke in Horeb, and thou shalt smite the rocke, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drinke. And Moses did so in the sight of the Elders of Israel.

7 And he called the name of the place ‖ Massah, and ‖ Meribah, because of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD amongst vs, or not?

8 ¶ *Then came Amalec, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

9 And Moses said vnto * Iosh ua, Chuse vs out men, and goe out, fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill, with the rod of God in mine hand.

10 So Iosh ua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went vp to the top of the hill.

11 And it came to passe when Moses held vp his hand, that Israel preuailed: and when he let downe his hand, Amalek preuailed.

12 But Moses hands were heauy, and they tooke a stone & put it vnder him, & he sate thereon: and Aaron and Hur stayed vp his hands, the one on the one side, & the other on the other side: & his hands were steady vntill the going downe of the Sun.

13 And Iosh ua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

14 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Write this for a memoriall in a booke, and rehearse it in the eares of Iosh ua: for * I will vtterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from vnder heauen.

15 And Moses built an Altar, and called the name of it ‖ IEHOVAH Nissi.

16 For he said ‖ because the LORD hath sworne *that* the LORD *will haue* warre with Amalek from generation to generation.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Iethro bringeth to Moses his wife and two sonnes. 7 Moses entertaineth him. 13 Iethro counselleth him. 24 Iethro departeth.

WHen * Iethro the Priest of Midian Moses father in law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt:

2 Then Iethro Moses father in law tooke Zipporah Moses wife, after he had sent her backe,

3 And her two sonnes, of which the * name of the one was ‖ Gershom: for he said, I haue been an alien in a strange land.

4 And the name of the other was ‖ Eliezer: for the God of my father, *said he*, was mine help, and deliuered me from the sword of Pharaoh.

5 And Iethro Moses father in law came with his sonnes, and his wife vnto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God.

6 And he said vnto Moses, I thy father in law Iethro am come vnto thee, and thy wife, and her two sonnes with her.

7 ¶ And Moses went out to meet his father in law, & did obeisance, & kissed him, and they asked each other of *their* † welfare, & they came into the

8 And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done vnto Pharaoh, and to the Egyptians for Israels sake, *and* all the trauell that had † come vpon them by the way, and *how* the LORD deliuered them.

9 And Iethro reioyced for all the goodnesse which the LORD had done to Israel: whom he had deliuered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

10 And Iethro said, Blessed *be* the LORD, who hath deliuered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh,

hath deliuered the people from vnder the hand of the Egyptians.

11 Now I know that the LORD is greater then all gods: * for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly, he was aboue them.

12 And Iethro Moses father in law tooke a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the Elders of Israel, to eate bread with Moses father in law before God.

13 ¶ And it came to passe on the morrow, that Moses sate to iudge the people: and the people stood by Moses from the morning vnto the euening.

14 And when Moses father in law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What is this thing that thou doest to the people? Why sittest thou thy selfe alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning vnto euen?

15 And Moses said vnto his father in law, Because the people come vnto me to enquire of God.

16 When they haue a matter they come vnto me, and I iudge betweene † one and another, and I doe make them know the Statutes of God & his Lawes.

17 And Moses father in law said vnto him, The thing that thou doest is not good.

18 †Thou wilt surely weare away both thou and this people that is with thee: for this thing is too heauy for thee: † thou art not able to performe it thy selfe alone.

19 Hearken now vnto my voice, I will giue thee counsell, and God shall be with thee: Be thou for the people to Godward, that thou mayest bring the causes vnto God:

20 And thou shalt teach them Ordinances, and Lawes, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walke, and the worke that they must doe.

21 Moreouer, thou shalt prouide out of all the people, able men, such as feare God; men of truth, hating couetousnesse, and place *such* ouer them *to be* rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. *acts.10.22.*

22 And let them iudge the people at all seasons: and it shall be that euery great matter they shall bring vnto thee, but euery small matter they shall iudge: so shall it be easier for thy selfe, and they shall beare *the burden* with thee.

23 If thou shalt doe this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shalt bee able to endure, and all this people shall also goe to their place in peace.

24 So Moses hearkened to the voyce of his father in law, and did all that he had said.

25 And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads ouer the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.

26 And they iudged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they brought vnto Moses, but euery small matter they iudged themselues.

27 ¶ And Moses let his father in law depart, and he went his way into his owne land.

CHAP. XIX.

1 The people come to Sinai. 3 Gods message by Moses vnto the people out of the mount: 8 the peoples answere returned again. 10 The people are prepared against he third day. 12 The mountaine must not be touched. 16 The fearefull presence of God vpon the mount.

IN the third moneth when the children of Israel were gone foorth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wildernesse of Sinai.

2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desart of Sinai, and had pitched in the wildernesse, and there Israel camped before the mount.

3 And * Moses went vp vnto God, and the LORD * Acts called vnto him out of the mountaine, saying, Thus 7.38. shalt thou say to the house of Iacob, and tell the children of Israel:

4 * Ye haue seene what I did vnto the Egyptians, * Deut. and how I bare you on Eagles wings, and brought 29.2. you vnto my selfe.

5 Now therefore if ye will obey my voyce in * Deut. deed, and keepe my Couenant, then ye shall be a 4.2. peculiar treasure vnto me aboue all people: for * Deut. all the earth is mine. 10.14.

6 And ye shall be vnto me a * kingdome of Priests, psal. and an holy nation. These are the words which 33.12. thou shalt speake vnto the children of Israel. * 1. Pet. 2.9.

7 ¶ And Moses came and called for the Elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

8 And * all the people answered together, and * Chap. said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will doe. 24.3.7. And Moses returned the words of the people vnto the LORD. deut.5. 27 and

9 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Loe, I come vn- 16.17. to thee in a thicke cloud, that the people may heare when I speak with thee, & beleeue thee for euer. And Moses told the words of the people vnto the LORD.

10 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Goe vnto the people, and sanctifie them to day, and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes:

11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come downe in the sight of all the people vpon mount Sinai.

12 And thou shalt set bounds vnto the people, round about, saying, Take heed to your selues, that ye goe not vp into the mount, or touch the border of it: * whosoeuer toucheth the mount, shall be * Hebr. surely put to death. 12.20.

13 There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot thorow, whether it be beast or man, it shall not liue: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come vp to the mount. *10. 4. cornets*

14 ¶ And Moses went downe from the mount vnto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes.

15 And he said vnto the people, Be ready against the third day: come not at your wiues.

16 ¶ And it came to passe on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thicke cloud vpon the mount, and the voyce of the trumpet exceeding loud, so that all the people that was in the campe, trembled.

17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the campe to meet with God, and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

18 And * mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, * Deut. because the LORD descended vpon it in fire: and the 4.11. smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

19 And when the voyce of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.

20 And the LORD came down vpon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses vp to the top of the mount: and Moses went vp.

21 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Goe downe, † charge the people lest they breake thorow vnto † Hebr. the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish. *conest.*

22 And let the Priests also which come neere to the LORD, sanctifie themselues, lest the LORD breake foorth vpon them.

23 And Moses said vnto the LORD, The people

cannot come vp to mount Sinai? for thou chargedst vs, saying, Set bounds about the mount, & sanctifie it.
24 And the LORD said vnto him, Away, get thee downe, and thou shalt come vp, thou and Aaron with thee: but let not the Priests and the people breake thorow to come vnto the LORD, lest hee breake forth vpon them.
25 So Moses went downe vnto the people, and spake vnto them.

CHAP. XX.

1 The ten Commandements. 18 The people are afraid: 20 Moses comforteth them. 22 Idolatry is forbidden. 24 Of what sort the Altar should be.

AND God spake all these words, saying.
2 * I am the LORD thy God, which haue brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of † bondage.
3 Thou shalt haue no other gods before me.
4 * Thou shalt not make vnto thee any grauen image, or any likenesse *of any thing* that is in heauen aboue, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water vnder the earth.
5 Thou shalt not bow downe thy selfe to them, nor serue them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a iealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers vpon the children, vnto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me:
6 And shewing mercy vnto thousands of them that loue me, and keepe my Commandements.
7 * Thou shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vaine, for the LORD will not hold him guiltlesse that taketh his Name in vaine.
8 Remember the Sabbath day to keepe it holy.
9 * Sixe dayes shalt thou labour and doe all thy worke:
10 But the seuenth day *is* the Sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any worke, thou nor thy sonne, nor thy daughter, thy man seruant, nor thy maid seruant, nor thy cattell, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:
11 For * in sixe dayes the LORD made heauen and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seuenth day, wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.
12 ¶ * Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy dayes may bee long vpon the land which the LORD thy God giueth thee.
13 * Thou shalt not kill.
14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.
15 Thou shalt not steale.
16 Thou shalt not beare false witnesse against thy neighbour.
17 * Thou shalt not couet thy neighbours house; thou shalt not couet thy neighbours wife, nor his man seruant, nor his maid-seruant, nor his oxe, nor his asse, nor any thing that *is* thy neighbours.
18 ¶ And * all the people saw the thundrings and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountaine smoaking: and when the people saw *it*, they remoued and stood afarre off.
19 And they said vnto Moses, Speake thou with vs and we will heare: but let not God speake with vs, lest we die.
20 And Moses said vnto the people; Feare not, for God is come to proone you, and that his feare may be before your faces that ye sinne not.
21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew neere vnto the thicke darkenesse where God was.
22 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Thus thou shalt say vnto the children of Israel, Ye haue seene that I haue talked with you from heauen.
23 Yee shall not make with me gods of siluer, neither shall yee make vnto you gods of gold.
24 ¶ An Altar of earth thou shalt make vnto me and thalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offrings, and thy peace offrings, thy sheep and thine oxen: in all places where I record my Name, I will come vnto thee, and I will blesse thee.
25 And * if thou wilt make me an Altar of stone, thou shalt not † build it of hewen stone: for if thou lift vp thy toole vpon it, thou hast polluted it.
26 Neither shalt thou goe vp by steps vnto mine Altar, that thy nakednes be not discouered thereon.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Lawes for man-seruants. 5 For the seruant whose eare is boared. 7 For woman seruants. 12 For manslaughter. 16 For stealers of men. 17 For cursers of parents. 18 For quarrels. 22 For an hurt by chance 28 For an oxe that goreth. 33 For an ox that is an occasion of harme.

NOw these are the iudgements which thou shalt set before them.
2 * If thou buy an Hebrew seruant, sixe yeeres he shall serue, and in the seuenth he shall goe out free for nothing.
3 If he came in † by himselfe, he shall go out by himselfe: if he were married, then his wife shall goe out with him.
4 If his master haue giuen him a wife, and she haue borne him sonnes or daughters, the wife and her children shall be her masters, and he shall goe out by himselfe.
5 And if the seruant † shall plainely say, I loue my master, my wife and my children, I will not goe out free:
6 Then his master shall bring him vnto † iudges, he shall also bring him to the doore, or vnto the doore-post, and his master shall bore his eare thorow with an awle, and he shall serue him for euer.
7 ¶ And if a man sell his daughter to be a maid-seruant she shall not goe out as the men-seruants do.
8 If she † please not her master who hath betrothed her to himselfe, then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her vnto a strange nation he shall haue no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.
9 And if he haue betrothed her vnto his son, he shall deale with her after the manner of daughters.
10 If he take him another wife, her food her raiment, & her duty of marriage shall he not diminish.
11 And if he doe not these three vnto her, then shall shee goe out free without money.
12 ¶ * He that smiteth a man so that he die, shall be surely put to death
13 And if a man lie not in wait but God deliuer *him* into his hand, then * I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.
14 But if a man come presumptuously vpon his neighbour to slay him with guile, thou shalt take him from mine Altar that he may die.
15 ¶ And he that smiteth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death
16 ¶ And he that stealeth a man and selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.
17 ¶ And * he that ‖ curseth his father or his mother shall surely be put to death.
18 ¶ And if men striue together, and one smite another with a stone, or with his fist, and he die not, but keepeth his bed:
19 If he rise againe, and walke abroad vpon his staffe then shall he that smote him be quite: only he shall pay for † the losse of his time, and shall cause *him* to be throughly healed.
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he shall pay as the Iudges *determine*.
And if any mischiefe follow, then thou shalt
e life for life,
* Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand,
e for foot,
Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe
stripe.
¶ And if a man smite the eye of his seruant,
the eye of his maid, that it perish, hee shall let
m goe free for his eyes sake.
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CHAP. XXII.

Of theft. 5 Of dammage. 7 Of trespasses. 14 Of borrowing. 16 Of fornication. 18 Of witchcraft. 19 Of bestiality. 20 Of idolatry. 21 Of strangers, widows, and fatherlesse. 25 Of vsury. 26 Of pledges. 28 Of reuerence to Magistrates. 29 Of first fruits.

a man shall steale an oxe, or a ‖ sheepe, and
ill it, or sell it, hee shall restore fiue oxen for
e, and * foure sheepe for a sheepe.
¶ If a thiefe bee found breaking vp, and bee
en that he die, there shall no blood bee shed
him.
If the Sunne bee risen vpon him, there shalbe
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n: if he haue nothing, then he shalbe sold for
ft.
If the theft bee certainely found in his hand
whether it bee oxe, or asse, or sheepe, he shall
e double.
5 ¶ If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another mans field: of the best of his owne field, and of the best of his owne vineyard shall he make restitution.
6 ¶ If fire breake out, and catch in thornes, so that the stackes of corne, or the standing corne, or the field be consumed *therewith*: hee that kindled the fire, shall surely make restitution.
7 ¶ If a man shal deliuer vnto his neighbor, money, or stuffe to keepe, and it be stollen out of the mans house: if the thiefe be found, let *him* pay double.
8 If the thiefe be not found, then the master of the house shalbe brought vnto the Iudges, *to see* whether he haue put his hand vnto his neighbors goods.
9 For all manner of trespasse, *whether it be* for oxe, for asse, for sheepe, for raiment, *or* for any manner of lost thing, which *another* challengeth to bee his; the cause of both parties shall come before the Iudges, *and* whom the Iudges shall condemne, he shall pay double vnto his neighbour.
10 If a man deliuer vnto his neighbour an asse, or an oxe, or a sheepe, or any beast to keepe, and it die, or be hurt, or driuen away, no man seeing it,
11 Then shall an oath of the LORD be betweene them both, that hee hath not put his hand vnto his neighbors goods: and the owner of it shall accept thereof, and he shall not make it good.
12 And * if it be stollen from him, he shall make restitution vnto the owner thereof. * Gene. 31.39.
13 If it be torne in pieces, then let him bring it *for* witnesse, and he shal not make good that which was torne.
14 ¶ And if a man borrow ought of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it good.
15 But if the owner thereof be with it, he shall not make it good: if it bee an hired *thing* it came for his hire.
16 ¶ And * if a man entice a maid, that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife. *Deut. 22.28.
17 If her father vtterly refuse to giue her vnto him, he shall † pay money according to the dowry of virgins. † *Hebr. weights.*
18 ¶ Thou shalt not suffer a witch to liue.
19 ¶ Whosoeuer lieth with a beast, shall surely be put to death.
20 ¶ * He that sacrificeth vnto *any* god, saue vnto the LORD onely, he shalbe vtterly destroyed. *Deut. 13.13,14.
21 ¶ * Thou shalt neither vexe a stranger, nor oppresse him: for yee were strangers in the land of Egypt 15.1.mac. 2.24. * Leuit. 19.33.
22 ¶ * Yee shall not afflict any widow, or fatherlesse child. * Zach. 7.10.
23 If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all vnto me, I will surely heare their cry.
24 And my wrath shall waxe hote, and I will kill you with the sword: and your wiues shall bee widowes, and your children fatherlesse.
25 ¶ * If thou lend money to any of my people that is poore by thee, thou shalt not bee to him as an vsurer, neither shalt thou lay vpon him vsury. *Leuit. 25.37. deut.23.
26 If thou at all take thy neighbours raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliuer it vnto him by that the Sunne goeth downe. 19.pſal. 15.5.
27 For that is his couering only, it is his raiment for his skin: wherein shall hee sleepe? and it shall come to passe, when he crieth vnto me, that I will heare; for I am gracious. * Actes 23.5.
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† Heb. thy fulnesse. † Heb. teare.

30 Likewise shalt thou doe with thine oxen, *and* with thy sheepe: seuen dayes it shall bee with his damme, on the eighth day thou shalt giue it me.

* Chap. 13.2,12. & 34.19.

31 ¶ And yee shalbe holy men vnto mee: * neither shall yee eat any flesh that is torne of beasts in the field: yee shall cast it to the dogs.

* Leuit. 22.8. ezec. 44 31.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Of slander and false witnesse, 3, 6. Of Iustice. 4 Of charitablenesse. 10 Of the yeere of rest. 12 Of the Sabbath. 13 Of Idolatry. 14 Of the three feasts. 18 Of the blood and the fat of the sacrifice. 20 An Angel is promised with a blessing, if they obey him.

THou shalt not ‖ raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an vnrighteous witnesse.

‖ Or, receiue.

2 ¶ Thou shalt not follow a multitude to doe euill: neither shalt thou † speake in a cause to decline after many, to wrest *iudgement*:

† Hebr. answere.

3 ¶ Neither shalt thou countenance a poore man in his cause.

4 ¶ If thou meet thine enemies oxe or his asse going astray, thou shalt surely bring it backe to him againe.

5 * If thou see the asse of him that hateth thee lying vnder his burden, ‖ and wouldest forbeare to helpe him, thou shalt surely helpe with him.

* Deut. 22.4.

‖ Or, wilt shouerase to helpe him for & wouldest cease to leaue thy businesse for him thou shalt surely leaue it to ioyne with him

6 Thou shalt not wrest the iudgement of thy poore in his cause.

7 Keepe thee farre from a false matter: and the innocent, and righteous slay thou not: for I will not iustifie the wicked.

8 ¶ And * thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth † the wise, and peruerteth the words of the righteous.

* Deut. 16 19. eccl. 20. 28. † Heb the seeing.

9 ¶ Also thou shalt not oppresse a stranger: for ye know the † heart of a stranger: seeing yee were strangers in the land of Egypt.

† Hebr. soule.

10 And * sixe yeeres thou shalt sow thy land, and shall gather in the fruits thereof:

* Legit. 25.3.

11 But the seuenth *yeere* thou shalt let it rest, and lie still, that the poore of thy people may eat, and what they leaue, the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deale with thy vineyard, *and* with thy ‖ oliuegard.

‖ Or, oliue trees.

12 * Sixe dayes thou shalt doe thy worke, and on the seuenth day thou shalt rest, that thine oxe, and thine asse may rest, and the sonne of thine handmaid, and the stranger may be refreshed.

* Chap. 20.8 deut. 5.13 luk. 13 14

13 And in all things that I haue said vnto you, be circumspect: and make no mention of the names of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth

14 ¶ * Three times thou shalt keepe a feast, vnto me in the yeere.

† Deut. 16 16

15 * Thou shalt keepe the feast of vnleauened bread: thou shalt eate vnleauened bread seuen dayes, as I commanded thee in the time appointed of the moneth Abib: for in it thou camest out from Egypt: * and none shall appeare before me empty:

* Chap. 13.3. & 34.18. * Deut. 16.16. eccles. 5.4.

16 And the feast of harueste, the first fruits of thy labours, which thou hast sowen in the field: and the feast of ingathering, *which is* in the end of the yere, when thou hast gathered in thy labors out of the field.

17 Three times in the yeere all thy males shall appeare before the LORD God.

18 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leauened bread, neither shall the fat of my ‖ sacrifice remaine vntill the morning.

‖ Or, feast. * Chap. 34.26. deut. 16. 23.

19 * The first of the first fruits of thy land, thou shalt bring vnto the house of the LORD thy God: thou shalt not seeth a kid in his mothers milke.

20 ¶ * Behold I send an Angel before thee to keepe thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I haue prepared.

21 Beware of him, and obey his voyce, prouoke him not: for hee will not pardon your transgressions, for my Name is in him.

22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voyce, and doe all that I speake: then I will be an enemy vnto thine enemies, and ‖ an aduersary vnto thine aduersaries.

23 * For mine Angel shall goe before thee, and *bring* thee in vnto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites: the Hiuites and the Iebusites: and I will cut them off.

24 Thou shalt not bow downe to their gods, nor serue them, nor doe after their workes: but thou shalt vtterly ouerthrow them, and quite breake downe their images.

25 And yee shall serue the LORD your God, and hee shall blesse thy bread and thy water, and I will take sickenesse away from the midst of thee.

26 ¶ * There shall nothing caste their young, nor bee barren in thy land: the number of thy dayes I will fulfill.

27 I will send my feare before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turne their backes vnto thee.

28 And * I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hiuite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite from before thee.

29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one yeere, lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, vntill thou be increased and inherite the land.

31 And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea euen vnto the Sea of the Philistines, and from the desart vnto the riuer: for I will deliuer the inhabitants of the land into your hand: and thou shalt drive them out before thee.

32 * Thou shalt make no Couenant with them nor with their gods.

33 They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sinne against me: for if thou serue their gods, * it will surely be a snare vnto thee.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Moses is called vp into the mountaine to receiue the people promise obedience. 4 Moses buildeth an altar, and twelue pillars. 6 He sprinkleth the blood of the Couenant. 9 The glory of God appeareth. 12 Aaron and Hur haue the charge of the people. Moses goeth into the mountaine, where he continueth fourtie dayes and fourtie nights.

AND hee said vnto Moses, Come vp vnto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seuenty of the Elders of Israel, and worship ye a farre off.

2 And Moses alone shall come neere the LORD: but they shall not come nigh, neither shall the people goe vp with him.

3 ¶ And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the iudgements, and all the people answered with one voyce, and said, All the words which the LORD hath said, will we do.

4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose vp early in the morning, and builded an Altar vnder the hill, and twelue pillars, according to the twelue tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent yong men of the children of Israel,

which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen vnto the LORD.

6 And Moses tooke halfe of the blood, and put it in basons, and halfe of the blood he sprinkled on the Altar.

7 And he tooke the booke of the Couenant, and read in the audience of the people, and they said, * All that the LORD hath said, will we doe, and be obedient.

8 And Moses tooke the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold, * the blood of the Couenant which the LORD hath made with you, concerning all these words.

9 ¶ Then went vp Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seuenty of the Elders of Israel:

10 And they saw the God of Israel: and there was vnder his feet, as it were a paued worke of a Saphire stone, and as it were the body of heauen in his clearenesse.

11 And vpon the Nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drinke.

12 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Come vp to mee into the mount, and bee there, and I will giue thee Tables of stone, and a Law and Commandements, which I haue written, that thou mayest teach them.

13 And Moses rose vp, and his minister Ioshua: and Moses went vp into the mount of God.

14 And he said vnto the Elders, Tarry ye here for vs, vntill wee come againe vnto you: and behold, Aaron and Hur *are* with you: if any man haue any matters to doe, let him come vnto them.

15 And Moses went vp into the mount, and a cloud couered the mount.

16 And the glory of the LORD abode vpon mount Sinai, and the cloud couered it sixe dayes: and the seuenth day hee called vnto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

17 And the sight of the glory of the LORD *was* like deuouring fire, on the top of the mount, in the eyes of the children of Israel.

18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gate him vp into the mount: and * Moses was in the mount fourty dayes and fourty nights.

CHAP. XXV.

1 What the Israelites must offer for the making of the Tabernacle. 10 The forme of the Arke. 17 The Mercy-seat with the Cherubims. 23 The Table with the furniture thereof. 31 The Candlestick with the instruments thereof.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, that they † bring mee an offering: * of euery man, that giueth it willingly with his heart, yee shall take my offering.

3 And this is the offering which ye shall take of them, gold, and siluer, and brasse,

4 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine ‖ linnen, and goats *haire*:

5 And rammes skinnes dyed red, and badgers skins, and Shittim wood:

6 Oyle for the light, spices for anoynting oyle, and for sweet incense:

7 Onix stones, and stones to be set in the * Ephod, and in the * breastplate.

8 And let them make mee a Sanctuary, that I may dwell among them:

9 According to all that I shew thee, after the patterne of the Tabernacle, and the patterne of all the instruments thereof, euen so shall ye make *it*.

10 ¶ * And they shall make an Arke of Shittim wood: two cubites and an halfe *shalbe* the length thereof, and a cubite and an halfe the breadth thereof, and a cubite and an halfe the height thereof.

11 And thou shalt ouerlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou ouerlay it: and shalt make vpon it a crowne of gold round about.

12 And thou shalt cast foure rings of gold for it, and put them in the foure corners thereof, and two rings *shall be* in the one side of it: and two rings in the other side of it.

13 And thou shalt make staues of Shittim wood, and ouerlay them with gold.

14 And thou shalt put the staues into the rings, by the sides of the Arke, that the Arke may bee borne with them.

15 The staues shall be in the rings of the Arke: they shall not be taken from it.

16 And thou shalt put into the Arke the Testimony which I shall giue thee.

17 And thou shalt make a Mercy-seat of pure gold, two cubites and a halfe *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit and an halfe the breadth thereof.

18 And thou shalt make two Cherubims of gold: of beaten worke shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the Mercy-seat.

19 And make one Cherub on the one end, and the other Cherub on the other end: *euen* ‖ of the Mercy-seat, shall yee make the Cherubims, on the two ends thereof. ‖ *Or, of the matter of the Mercy-seat.*

20 And the Cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, couering the Mercy-seat with their wings, and their faces *shall looke* one to another: toward the Mercy-seat shall the faces of the Cherubims bee.

21 And thou shalt put the Mercy-seat aboue vpon the Arke, and in the Arke thou shalt put the Testimony that I shall giue thee.

22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee, from aboue the Mercy-seat, from * betweene the two Cherubims which are vpon the Arke of the Testimony, of all things which I will giue thee in commandement vnto the children of Israel. *Numb. 7.89.

23 ¶ * Thou shalt also make a Table of Shittim wood: two cubites *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubite the breadth thereof, and a cubite and an halfe the height thereof. *Chap. 37.10.

24 And thou shalt ouerlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crowne of gold round about.

25 And thou shalt make vnto it a border of an hand breadth round about, and thou shalt make a golden crowne to the border thereof round about.

26 And thou shalt make for it foure rings of gold, and put the rings in the foure corners that *are* vn the foure feet thereof.

27 Ouer against the border shall the rings be for places of the staues to beare the Table.

28 And thou shalt make the staues of Shittim wood, and ouerlay them with gold, that the Table may be borne with them.

29 And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoones thereof, and couers thereof, and bowles thereof ‖ to couer withall: of pure gold shalt thou make them. ‖ *Or, to powre out withall.*

30 And thou shalt set vpon the Table, shew bread before me alway.

31 ¶ * And thou shalt make a Candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the Candlestick be made, his shaft and his branches, his bowles, his knops, and his flowres shall be of the same. *Chap. 37.17.

32 And sixe branches shall come out of the sides of it: three branches of the Candlestick out of the

one side, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side.

33 Three bowles made like vnto Almonds, with a knop, and a flowre in one branch: and three bowles made like Almonds in the other branch, with a knop and a flowre: so in the sixe branches that come out of the candlestick.

34 And in the candlestick *shall be* foure bowles made like vnto Almonds, with their knops and their flowres.

35 And *there shall be* a knop vnder two branches of the same, and a knop vnder two branches of the same, and a knop vnder two branches of the same, according to the sixe branches that proceed out of the candlestick.

‖ *Or, cause to ascend.* † *Heb. the face of it.* * *Acts 7.44. Heb. 8.5.* † *Hebr. which thou hast caused to see.*

36 Their knops and their branches shalbe of the same: all it shalbe one beaten worke of pure gold.

37 And thou shalt make the seuen lampes thereof: and they shall ‖ light the lampes thereof, that they may giue light ouer against † it.

38 And the tongs thereof, and the snuffe-dishes thereof *shall be* of pure gold.

39 Of a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.

40 And * looke that thou make them after their patterne, † which was shewed thee in the mount.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 *The ten curtaines of the Tabernacle,* 7 *The eleuen curtaines of goates haire.* 14 *The couering of rams skins.* 15 *The boards of the Tabernacle, with their sockets and bars.* 31 *The vaile for the Arke,* 36 *The hanging for the doore.*

MOreouer, thou shalt make the Tabernacle with ten curtaines of fine twined linnen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with Cherubims of † cunning worke shalt thou make them.

† *Heb. the worke of a cunning workeman or embroiderer.*

2 The length of one curtaine *shall be* eight and twenty cubites, and the breadth of one curtaine foure cubites: and euery one of the curtaines shall haue one measure.

3 The fiue curtaines shalbe coupled together one to another: and *other* fiue curtaines *shall be* coupled one to another.

4 And thou shalt make loopes of blue vpon the edge of the one curtaine, from the seluedge in the coupling, and likewise shalt thou make in the vtermost edge of *another* curtaine, in the coupling of the second.

5 Fifty loopes shalt thou make in the one curtaine, and fifty loopes shalt thou make in the edge of the curtaine, that is in the couplings of the second, that the loopes may take hold one of another.

6 And thou shalt make fifty taches of gold, and couple the curtaines together with the taches: and it shalbe one Tabernacle.

7 ¶ And thou shalt make curtaines of goates *haire*, to bee a couering vpon the Tabernacle: eleuen curtaines shalt thou make.

8 The length of one curtaine *shall be* thirty cubites, and the breadth of one curtaine foure cubits: and the eleuen *shall be* all of one measure.

9 And thou shalt couple fiue curtaines by themselues, & six curtaines by themselues, & shalt double the sixth curtaine in § forefront of the Tabernacle.

10 And thou shalt make fifty loopes on the edge of the one curtaine, that is outmost in the coupling, and fifty loopes in the edge of the curtaine which copleth the second.

11 And thou shalt make fifty taches of brasse, and put the taches into the loopes, and couple the ‖ tent together that it may be one.

‖ *Or, couering.*

12 And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the halfe curtaine that remaineth shall hang ouer the backeside of the Tabernacle.

13 And a cubite on the one side, and a cubite on the other side † of that which remaineth in the length of the curtaines of the tent, it shall hang ouer the sides of the Tabernacle, on this side, and on that side to couer it.

14 And thou shalt make a couering for the tent of rammes skins died red, and a couering aboue of badgers skins.

15 ¶ And thou shalt make boards for the Tabernacle of Shittim wood standing vp.

16 Ten cubites shalbe the length of a board, and a cubit & anhalfe shalbe the breadth of one board.

17 Two † tenons *shall there be* in one board, set in order one against another: thus shalt thou make for all the boards of the Tabernacle.

18 And thou shalt make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards on the South side Southward.

19 And thou shalt make fourty sockets of siluer vnder the twenty boards: two sockets vnder one board for his two tenons, and two sockets vnder another board for his two tenons.

20 And for the second side of the Tabernacle on the North side *there shall be* twenty boards,

21 And their fourty sockets of siluer, two sockets vnder one board, and two sockets vnder another board.

22 And for the sides of the Tabernacle Westward, thou shalt make sixe boards.

23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the Tabernacle in the two sides.

24 And they shalbe † coupled together beneath, and they shalbe coupled together aboue the head of it vnto one ring: thus shall it be for them both, they shalbe for the two corners.

25 And they shalbe eight boards, and their sockets of siluer sixteene sockets: two sockets vnder one board, and two sockets vnder another board.

26 ¶ And thou shalt make barres of Shittim wood: fiue for the boards of the one side of the Tabernacle;

27 And fiue barres for the boards of the other side of the Tabernacle, and fiue barres for the boards of the side of the Tabernacle for the two sides Westward.

28 And the middle barre in the midst of the boards, shall reach from end to end.

29 And thou shalt ouerlay the boards with gold, and make their rings of gold for places for the bars: and thou shalt ouerlay the bars with gold.

30 And thou shalt reare vp the Tabernacle, according to the fashion thereof, which was shewed thee in the mount.

31 ¶ And thou shalt make a vaile of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linnen of cunning worke: with Cherubims shall it be made.

32 And thou shalt hang it vpon foure pillars of Shittim wood, ouerlaid with gold: their hookes shalbe of gold, vpon the foure sockets of siluer.

33 ¶ And thou shalt hang vp the Vaile vnder the taches, that thou maiest bring in thither within the Vaile, the Arke of the Testimonie: and the Vaile shall diuide vnto you, betweene the holy *place*, and the most Holy.

34 And thou shalt put the Mercy-seat vpon the Arke of the Testimony in the most Holy *place*.

35 And thou shalt set the Table without the Vaile, and the Candlestick ouer against the Table on the side of the Tabernacle toward the South, and thou shalt put the Table on the North side.

36 And thou shalt make an hanging for the doore of

nt of blue, and purple, and ſcarlet, and fine
linnen, wrought with needle worke.
d thou ſhalt make for the hanging fiue pil-
ſhittim wood, and ouerlay them with gold,
ir hookes ſhall be of gold: and thou ſhalt
ſockets of braſſe for them.

CHAP. XXVII.

*The Altar of burnt offering, with the veſſels
9 The Court of the Tabernacle incloſed
angings and pillars. 18 The meaſure of the
20 The oyle for the lampe.*

d thou ſhalt make an Altar of Shittim wood
ue cubites long, and fiue cubits broad: the Al-
ll be foure ſquare: and the height thereof *ſhall*
e cubites.
nd thou ſhalt make the hornes of it vpon
re corners thereof: his hornes ſhall be of
e: and thou ſhalt ouerlay it with braſſe.
And thou ſhalt make his pans to receiue his
and his ſhouels, and his baſons, and his fleſh-
s, and his fire pans: all the veſſels thereof
ſhalt make of braſſe.
And thou ſhalt make for it a gate of net-
of braſſe; and vpon the net ſhalt thou make
brazen rings in the foure corners thereof.
And thou ſhalt put it vnder the compaſſe of
Altar beneath, that the net may be euen to the
of the Altar.
And thou ſhalt make ſtaues for the Altar, ſtaues
ittim wood, and ouerlay them with braſſe.
And the ſtaues ſhall be put into the rings, and
aues ſhall be vpon the two ſides of the Altar
eare it.
Hollow with boards ſhalt thou make it: as
ewed thee in the mount, ſo ſhall they make it.
¶ And thou ſhalt make the Court of the Ta-
acle for the South ſide, Southward: there ſhall
angings for the Court of fine twined linnen, of
ndred cubites long, for one ſide.
And the twenty pillars thereof, and their
ty ſockets *ſhall be* of braſſe: the hookes of the
and their fillets *ſhall be* of ſiluer.
And likewiſe for the North ſide in length, there
e hangings of an hundred cubits long, and his
ty pillars, and their twenty ſockets of braſſe:
hookes of the pillars and their fillets of ſiluer.
¶ And for the breadth of the Court on the
ſide ſhall be hangings of fifty cubites: their
ars ten, and their ſockets ten.
And the breadth of the Court on the Eaſt ſide
ward, ſhall be fifty cubites.
The hangings of one ſide *of the gate* ſhall bee
ne cubites: their pillars three and their ſock-
three.
And on the other ſide *ſhall be* hangings fifteen
es: their pillars three, and their ſockets three.
¶ And for the gate of the Court *ſhall be* an
ing of twenty cubits of blue, and purple, and
et, and fine twined linnen wrought with nee-
orke: and their pillars *ſhall be* foure, and
r ſockets foure.
All the pillars round about the Court *ſhall*
eeed with ſiluer: their hookes *ſhall be* of ſiluer,
their ſockets of braſſe.
¶ The length of the Court *ſhall be* an hundred
s, and the breadth † fifty euery where, and the
ht fine cubits of fine twined linnen, and their
ets of braſſe.
All the veſſels of the Tabernacle in all the
ce thereof, and all the pins thereof, and all the
of the Court *ſhall be* of braſſe.
¶ And thou ſhalt command the children of
Iſrael, that they bring thee pure oile Oliue beaten
for the light, to cauſe the lampe to burne alwaies. † *Heb.*
21 In the Tabernacle of the Congregation without *to aſcend*
the vaile, which is before the Teſtimony, Aa- *vp.*
ron and his ſonnes ſhall order it from euening to
morning before the LORD: it ſhall be a ſtatute for
euer vnto their generations, on the behalfe of the
children of Iſrael.

CHAP. XXVIII.

*1 Aaron and his ſonnes are ſet apart for the
Prieſts office. 2 Holy garments are appointed. 6
The Ephod. 15 The breſtplate with twelue pretious
ſtones. 30 The Vrim and Thummim. 31 The robe of
the Ephod, with pomegranates and Bels. 36 The
plate of the Mytre. 39 The embroidered coat. 40 The
garments for Aarons ſonnes.*

AND take thou vnto thee Aaron thy brother,
and his ſons with him from among the chil-
dren of Iſrael, that he may miniſter vnto mee in the
Prieſts office *euen* Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, Elea-
zar, and Ithamar, Aarons ſonnes.
2 And thou ſhalt make holy garments for Aa-
ron thy brother, for glory and for beauty.
3 And thou ſhalt ſpeake vnto all that are wiſe
hearted, whom I haue filled with the ſpirit of wiſe-
dome, that they may make Aarons garments to
conſecrate him, that he may miniſter vnto me in the
Prieſts office.
4 And theſe are the garments which they ſhall
make; a breſtplate, & an Ephod, and a robe, and a
broidered coat, a mytre, and a girdle: and they ſhal
make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, and
his ſonnes, that he may miniſter vnto me in the
Prieſts office.
5 And they ſhall take gold, and blue, and purple
and ſcarlet, and fine linnen.
6 ¶ And they ſhall make the Ephod of gold, of
blue, and of purple, of ſcarlet, and fine twined lin-
nen, with cunning worke.
7 It ſhall haue the two ſhoulder pieces thereof
ioyned at the two edges thereof, and ſo it ſhall be
ioyned together.
8 And the † curious girdle of the Ephod which *Or, im-*
is vpon it, ſhall be of the ſame according to the *broidred*
worke thereof, euen of gold, of blue and purple
and ſcarlet, and fine twined linnen.
9 And thou ſhalt take two Onyx ſtons & graue
on them the names of the children of Iſrael:
10 Six of their names on one ſtone, and the o-
ther ſix names of the reſt on the other ſtone, accor-
ding to their birth;
11 *With the worke of an ingrauer in ſtone, like* * *Wilde*
the ingrauings of a ſignet ſhalt thou ingraue the *18 24.*
two ſtones, with the names of the children of Iſrael:
thou ſhalt make them to be ſet in ouches of gold.
12 And thou ſhalt put the two ſtones vpon the
ſhoulders of the Ephod, for ſtones of memoriall
vnto the children of Iſrael. And Aaron ſhall beare
their names before the LORD vpon his two ſhoul-
ders for a memoriall.
13 ¶ And thou ſhalt make ouches of gold;
14 And two chaines of pure gold at the ends: of
wreathen worke ſhalt thou make them, and faſten
the wreathen chaines to the ouches.
15 ¶ And thou ſhalt make the breſtplate of iudg-
ment with cunning worke, after the worke of
the Ephod thou ſhalt make it, of gold, of blue and
of purple and of ſcarlet, and of fine twined linnen
ſhalt thou make it.
16 Foure ſquare it ſhall be *being* doubled: a
ſpan *ſhall be* the length thereof, and a ſpan ſhall be
the breadth thereof.

17 And

17 And thou shalt † set in it settings of stones, *even* foure rowes of stones: *the first row shall bee* a ‖Sardius, a Topaz, and a Carbuncle: this shall be the first row.

18 And the second row *shall be* an Emerand, a Saphire and a Diamond.

19 And the third row a Lygure, an Agate, and a Amethyst.

20 And the fourth row a Beryll, and an Onix, and a Iasper: they shall be set in gold in their † inclosings.

21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelue according to their names *like* the ingravings of a signet: every one with his name shall they be according to the twelue Tribes.

22 ¶ And thou shalt make vpon the breastplate, chaines at the ends of wreathen worke of pure gold.

23 And thou shalt make vpon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shalt put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate.

24 And thou shalt put the two wreathen *chaines* of gold in the two rings *which are* on the ends of the breastplate.

25 And the other two ends of the two wreathen *chaines* thou shalt fasten in the two ouches and put them on the shoulderpieces of the Ephod before it.

26 ¶ And thou shalt make two rings of Gold, and thou shalt put them vpon the two ends of the breastplate, in the border thereof, which is in the side of the Ephod inward.

27 And two *other* rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them in the two sides of the Ephod vnderneath, towards the forepart thereof ouer against *the other* coupling thereof, aboue the curious girdle of the Ephod.

28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof, vnto the rings of the Ephod with a lace of blue, that it may be aboue the curious girdle of the Ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the Ephod.

29 And Aaron shall beare the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of iudgement vpon his heart, when he goeth in vnto the holy *place*, for a memoriall before the LORD continually.

30 ¶ And thou shalt put in the breastplate of iudgement, the Vrim and the Thummim, and they shall be vpon Aarons heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall beare the iudgement of the children of Israel vpon his heart before the LORD continually.

31 ¶ And thou shalt make the robe of the Ephod all of blue.

32 And there shall be an hole in the top of it, in the midst thereof: it shall haue a binding of wouen worke, round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of an habergeon that it be not rent.

33 ¶ And beneath vpon the hemme of it thou shalt make pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet round about the hemme thereof, and bells of gold between them round about.

34 A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, vpon the hemme of the robe round about.

35 * And it shall be vpon Aaron to minister: and his sound shall be heard when he goeth in vnto the holy *place* before the LORD, and when hee commeth out, that he die not.

36 ¶ And thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, and grane vpon it *like* the ingravings of a signet, HOLINESSE TO THE LORD.

37 And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be vpon the mitre, vpon the forefront of the mitre it shall be.

38 And it shall be vpon Aarons forehead, that Aaron may beare the iniquity of the holy things which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts: and it shall be alwayes vpon his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD.

39 ¶ And thou shalt embroider the coate of linnen, and thou shalt make the mitre of fine linnen, and thou shalt make the girdle of needle worke.

40 ¶ And for Aarons sons thou shalt make coates, and thou shalt make for them girdles, and bonets shalt thou make for them, for glory and for beauty.

41 And thou shalt put them vpon Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him: and shalt anoint them, and † consecrate them, and sanctifie them, that they may minister vnto me in the Priests office.

42 And thou shalt make them linnen breeches to couer † their naked flesh: from the loines vnto the thighes they shall † reach.

43 And they shall be vpon Aaron, and vpon his sonnes, when they come in vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation, or when they come neere vnto the Altar to minister in the holy *place*, that they beare not iniquity and die. *It shall be a* Statute for euer vnto him, and his seed after him.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 *The sacrifice and ceremonies of consecrating Priests.* 38 *The coniunct daily seruice of God: Gods promise to dwell among the children of Israel.*

AND this is the thing that thou shalt do vnto them, to hallow them, to minister vnto me in the Priests office: * Take one young bullock and two rammes without blemish,

2 And vnleauened bread, and cakes vnleauened tempered with oile, and wafers vnleauened anointed with oyle: of wheaten flower shalt thou make them.

3 And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullocke and the two rammes.

4 And Aaron and his sonnes thou shalt bring vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shalt wash them with water.

5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put vpon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the Ephod, and the Ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the curious girdle of the Ephod.

6 And thou shalt put the mitre vpon his head, and put the holy crowne vpon the mitre.

7 Then shalt thou take the anointing oyle, and powre it vpon his head, and anoint him.

8 And thou shalt bring his sonnes, and put coates vpon them.

9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles (Aaron and his sonnes), and † put the bonnets on them: and the Priests office shall be theirs for a perpetuall Statute: and thou shalt † consecrate Aaron and his sonnes.

10 And thou shalt cause a bullocke to be brought before the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and Aaron and his sonnes shall put their hands vpon the head of the bullocke.

11 And thou shalt kill the bullocke before the LORD by the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullocke, and put *it* vpon the hornes of the Altar with thy finger, and powre all the blood beside the bottome of the Altar.

13 And * thou shalt take all the fat that couereth the inwards, and ‖ the caule *that is* vpon the liuer, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* vpon them, and burne *them* vpon the Altar.

but the flesh of the bullocke, and his skin, and
ing shalt thou burne with fire without the
it is a sinne offering.
¶ Thou shalt also take one ramme, and Aaron
is sonnes shall put their hands vpon the head
ramme.
And thou shalt slay the ramme, and thou shalt
his blood, and sprinkle it round about vpon
Altar.
And thou shalt cut the ramme in pieces, and
the inwards of him, and his legs, and put
vnto his pieces, and ‖ vnto his head.
And thou shalt burne the whole ramme vpon
Altar: it is a burnt offering vnto the LORD: It
weet sauour, an offering made by fire vnto the
D.
¶ And thou shalt take the other ramme: and
n and his sonnes shall put their hands vpon
ead of the ramme.
Then shalt thou kill the ramme, and take of
blood, and put it vpon the tip of the right eare
aron, and vpon the tip of the right eare of his
s, and vpon the thumb of their right hand, and
the great toe of their right foot: and sprinkle
blood vpon the Altar round about.
And thou shalt take of the blood that is vpon
Altar, and of the anointing oyle, and sprinkle
on Aaron, and vpon his garments, and vpon his
s, and vpon the garments of his sonnes with
: and he shall bee hallowed and his garments,
his sonnes, and his sonnes garments with him.
Also thou shalt take of the ramme the fat and
mpe, and the fat that coureth the inwards,
the caule *about* the liuer, and the two kidneys,
the fat that is vpon them, and the right shoul-
for it is a ramme of consecration:
And one loafe of bread, and one cake of oyled
d, and one wafer out of the basket of the vnlea-
ed bread, that *is* before the LORD.
And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron,
in the hands of his sonnes, and shalt ‖ waue
for a waue-offering before the LORD.
And thou shalt receiue them of their hands,
burne *them* vpon the Altar for a burnt offering
sweet sauour before the LORD: it *is* an offe-
made by fire vnto the LORD.
And thou shalt take the breast of the ram of
ons consecration, and waue it for a waue offe-
before the LORD, and it shall be thy part.
And thou shalt sanctifie the breast of the waue
ring, and the shoulder of the heaue offering,
ch is waued, and which is heaued vp of the ram
he consecration, *euen* of that which *is* for Aaron
of that which *is* for his sonnes.
And it shalbe Aarons, and his sonnes, by a sta-
for euer from the children of Israel: for it *is*
eaue offering: and it shall be an heaue offering
m the children of Israel, of the sacrifice of their
ce-offerings, euen their heaue offering vnto the
RD.
¶ And the holy garments of Aaron shall be
sonnes after him to be anointed therein, and to
consecrated in them.
And ‡ that son that is Priest in his stead, shall
them on seuen dayes when he commeth into the
bernacle of the Congregation to minister in the
y place.
¶ And thou shalt take the ram of the conse-
tion, and seeth his flesh in the holy place.
And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of
ramme, and the * bread that is in the basket, by
doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.
53 And they shall eat the se things wherewith the
atonement was made, to consecrate and to sanctifie
them: but a stranger shall not eat *thereof*, because
they are holy.
54 And if ought of the flesh of the consecrations,
or of the bread remaine vnto the morning, then
thou shalt burne the remainder with fire: it shall
not be eaten because it is holy.
55 And thus shalt thou doe vnto Aaron, and to
his sonnes according to all things which I haue
commanded thee: seuen dayes shalt thou consecrate
them.
56 And thou shalt offer euery day a bullocke for
a sin offering, for atonement: and thou shalt cleanse
the Altar, when thou hast made an atonement for
it, and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctifie it.
57 Seuen dayes thou shalt make an atonement for
the Altar, and sanctifie it: and it shall be an Al-
tar most holy: whatsoeuer toucheth the Altar shall
be holy.
58 ¶ Now this is that which thou shalt offer vp-
on the Altar; *two lambs of the first yeere day by
day continually. *Numb. 28.3.
59 The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning:
and the other thou shalt offer at euen:
60 And with the one lambe a tenth deale of
floure mingled with the fourth part of an Hin of
beaten oyle: and the fourth part of an Hin of wine
for a drinke offering.
61 And the other lambe thou shalt offer at euen,
and shalt doe thereto according to the meat offe-
ring of the morning, and according to the drinke
offering thereof, for a sweet sauour, an offering
made by fire vnto the LORD.
62 *This shall be* a continuall burnt offering thor-
rowout your generations, at the doore of the Ta-
bernacle of the Congregation, before the LORD,
where I will meet you, to speake there vnto thee.
63 And there I will meet with the children of
Israel: and ‖ *the Tabernacle* shall bee sanctified by
my glory. ‖ Or, Israel.
64 And I will sanctifie the Tabernacle of the
Congregation, and the Altar: I will sanctifie also
both Aaron and his sonnes, to minister vnto me in the
Priests office.
65 ¶ And * I will dwell amongst the children of * Leuit.
Israel, and will be their God. 26.12.
66 And they shall know that I am the LORD 2.Cor.6.
their God, that brought them forth out of the land 16.
of Egypt, that I may dwell amongst them: I am
the LORD their God.

CHAP. XXX.

1 *The Altar of incense.* 11 *The ransome of soules*
17 *The brasen lauer.* 22 *The holy anoynting oyle.*
34 *The composition of the perfume.*

AND thou shalt make an Altar to burne incense
vpon: of Shittim wood shalt thou make it.
2 A cubite *shall be* the length thereof, and a cu-
bite the breadth thereof, (foure square shall it be)
and two cubites *shall bee* the height thereof: the
hornes thereof *shall be* of the same.
3 And thou shalt ouerlay it with pure gold, the
† top thereof, and the † sides thereof round about,
and the hornes thereof: and thou shalt make vnto
it a crowne of gold round about. † Hebr. the roofe and the walls.
4 And two golden rings shalt thou make to it, † Hebr. walls.
vnder the crowne of it, by the two † corners there-
of, vpon the two sides of it shalt thou make it: and
they shall be for places for the staues to beare it
withall. † Hebr. sides.
5 And thou shalt make the staues of Shittim
wood, and ouerlay them with gold.
6 And

Exod. 25.22. 30.6. Numb. 7.89. 9.8. 33.11. Num. 24. Psal. 20.2. 99.6. Heb. 10.19. 23. 28. 1 Sam. 2.10. 22. 2 Sam. 22.11. 12. 2 Sam. 2.1. Ez. 19. 23.

6 And thou shalt put it before the vaile that *is* by the Arke *of* the Testimony before the Mercy-seat, that *is* ouer the Testimony, where I will meete with thee.

†*Hebr.* incense *of spices.* ‖*Or,* setteth vp. *Heb.* causeth to ascend. †*Hebr.* betweene the two euens.

7 And Aaron shall burne thereon †sweet incense euery morning: when he dresseth the lampes, he shall burne incense vpon it.

8 And when Aaron ‖ lighteth the lampes † at euen, he shall burne incense vpon it, a perpetuall incense before the LORD, throughout your generations.

9 Ye shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice, nor meat offering, neither shall yee powre drinke offering thereon.

10 And Aaron shall make an atonement vpon the hornes of it once in a yeere, with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the yeere shall he make atonement vpon it throughout your generations: it *is* most holy vnto the LORD.

11 ¶ And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying,

*Num. 1.2,3. † *Hebr.* them that are to be numbred.

12 * When thou takest the sum of the children of Israel after † their number, then shall they giue euery man a ransome for his soule vnto the LORD when thou numbrest them, that there be no plague amongst them, when *thou* numbrest them.

13 This they shall giue, euery one that passeth among them that are numbred: halfe a shekel after the shekel of the Sanctuary: * A shekel is twenty gerahs: an halfe shekel *shall be* the offering of the LORD.

*Leuit. 27.25. num. 3.47 ezec. 45.12

14 Euery one that passeth among them that are numbred from twenty yeeres old and aboue, shall giue an offering vnto the LORD.

† *Hebr.* multiply. † *Hebr.* diminish.

15 The rich shall not † giue more, and the poore shall not † giue lesse then halfe a shekel, when *they* giue an offering vnto the LORD, to make an atonement for your soules.

16 And thou shalt take the atonement money, of the children of Israel, and shalt appoint it for the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, that it may be a memoriall vnto the children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your soules.

17 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

18 Thou shalt also make a lauer of brasse, and his foot also of brasse to wash *withall*, and thou shalt put it betweene the Tabernacle of the Congregation and the Altar, and thou shalt put water therein.

19 For Aaron and his sonnes shall wash their hands and their feet thereat.

20 When they goe into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, they shall wash with water, that they die not: or when they come neere to the Altar to minister, to burne offering made by fire vnto the LORD.

21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet that they die not: and it shall be a statute for euer to them, *euen* to him and to his seed throughout their generations.

22 ¶ Moreouer the LORD spake vnto Moses saying,

23 Take thou also vnto thee principall spices of pure myrrhe fiue hundred shekels; and of sweet cinnamom, halfe so much, euen two hundred and fifty *shekels*, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty *shekels*,

24 And of Casia fiue hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, and of oyle Oliue an *Hin.

*Chap. 29.40.

25 And thou shalt make it an oyle of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the ‖ Apothecary: it shall be an holy anoynting oyle.

‖*Or,* Perfumer.

26 And thou shalt anoynt the Tabernacle of the Congregation therewith: and the Arke of the Testimony:

27 And the Table and all his vessels and the Candlesticke and his vessels, and the Altar of incense:

28 And the Altar of burnt offering, with all his vessels, and the lauer and his foot.

29 And thou shalt sanctifie them, that they may be most holy: whatsoeuer toucheth them shall be holy.

30 And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sonnes, and consecrate them, that they may minister vnto me in the Priests office.

31 And thou shalt speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anoynting oyle vnto me, throughout your generations.

32 Vpon mans flesh shall it not be powred, neither shall ye make *any other* like it, after the composition of it: it *is* holy, *and* it shall be holy vnto you.

33 Whosoeuer compoundeth any like it, or whosoeuer putteth *any* of it vpon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people.

34 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Take vnto thee sweet spices, Stacte, and Onicha, and Galbanum: *these* sweet spices, with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like *weight*.

35 And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the Art of the Apothecary, ‖tempered together, pure *and* holy.

36 And thou shalt beat *some* of it very small, and put of it before the Testimony in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, where I will meet with thee: it shall be to you most holy.

37 And as for the perfume which thou shalt make, you shall not make to your selues, according to the composition thereof: it shall be vnto thee holy for the LORD.

38 Whosoeuer shall make like vnto that, to smell thereto, shall euen be cut off from his people.

CHAP. XXXI.

1 *Bezaleel and Aholiab are called and made meete for the worke of the Tabernacle.* 12 *The obseruation of the Sabbath is agayne commanded.* 18 *Moses receiueth the two Tables.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 See, I haue called by name Bezaleel * son of Vri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Iudah:

3 And I haue filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisedome and in vnderstanding, and in knowledge, and in all maner of workemanship,

4 To deuise cunning workes, to worke in gold, and in siluer, and in brasse,

5 And in cutting of stones, to set them, and in carning of timber, to worke in all maner of workmanship.

6 And I, behold, I haue giuen with him Aholiab the sonne of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted, I haue put wisedome, that they may make all that I haue commanded thee:

7 The Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the Arke of the Testimony, and the Mercy seate that is thereupon, and all the † furniture of the Tabernacle,

8 And the Table, and his furniture, and the pure Candlestick, with all his furniture, and the Altar of incense:

9 And the Altar of burne offering, with all his furniture, and the lauer and his foot:

10 And the clothes of seruice, and the holy garments for Aaron the Priest, and the garments of his sonnes, to minister in the Priests office:

11 And the anoynting oyle, and sweet incense for the holy *place*: according to all that I haue commanded thee, shall they doe.

12 ¶ A

And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
ſpeake thou alſo vnto the children of Iſrael,
, Verely my Sabbaths ye ſhall keepe: for it
ne betweene mee and you throughout your
ations, that ye may know that I am the LORD
doeth ſanctifie you.
* Ye ſhall keepe the Sabbath therefore: for
holy vnto you: Euery one that defileth it, ſhall
bee put to death: for whoſoeuer doeth any
e therein, that ſoule ſhall bee cut off from
gſt his people.
Sixe dayes may worke bee done, but in the ſe-
n the Sabbath of reſt, † holy to the LORD:
euer doeth any worke in the Sabbath day, he
ſurely be put to death.
Wherefore the children of Iſrael ſhall keepe
abbath, to obſerue the Sabbath throughout
generations, for a perpetuall couenant.
It is a ſigne betweene mee and the children of
for euer: for * in ſixe daies the LORD made
n and earth, and on the ſeuenth day he reſted
was refreſhed.
¶ And he gaue vnto Moſes, when he had made
d of communing with him vpon mount Sinai,
Tables of Teſtimony, Tables of ſtone, writ-
with the finger of God.

CHAP. XXXII.

*The people in the abſence of Moſes cauſe Aaron
make a calfe. 7 God is angred thereby. 11 At
the requeſt of Moſes hee is appeaſed. 15 Moſes
goeth downe with the Tables. 19 He breaketh
them. 20 He deſtroyeth the calfe. 22 Aarons ex-
cuſe for himſelfe. 25 Moſes cauſeth the idolaters
to be ſlaine. 30 He prayeth for the people.*

AND when the people ſaw that Moſes delayed
to come downe out of the Mount, the people
ered themſelues together vnto Aaron, and ſaid
him, * Vp, make vs gods which ſhall goe be-
vs: for as for this Moſes, the man that
ght vs vp out of the land of Egypt, wee wot
what is become of him.
And Aaron ſaid vnto them, Breake off the
en eare-rings which are in the eares of your
s, of your ſonnes, and of your daughters, and
them vnto me.
And all the people brake off the golden eare-
s which were in their eares, and brought them
Aaron.
* And he receiued them at their hand, and fa-
ed it with a grauing toole, after he had made
molten calfe: and they ſaid, Theſe be thy gods,
rael, which brought thee vp out of the land of
t.
And when Aaron ſaw it he built an Altar be-
it, and Aaron made proclamation, and ſaid;
morrow is a feaſt to the LORD.
And they roſe vp early on the morrow, and
d burnt offerings, and brought peace offrings:
the * people ſate downe to eate and to drinke,
roſe vp to play.
¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, * Goe, get
downe: for thy people which thou broughteſt
of land of Egypt, haue corrupted themſelues.
* They haue turned aſide quickely out of the
which I commanded them: they haue made
a molten calfe, and haue worſhipped it, and
ſacrifced thereunto, and ſaid, Theſe be thy
, O Iſrael, which haue brought thee vp out of
and of Egypt.
And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, * I haue ſeene
people, and behold, it is a ſtiffe necked people.
Now therefore let mee alone, that my wrath
may waxe hote againſt them, and that I may con-
ſume them: & I will make of thee a great nation.
11 * And Moſes beſought † the LORD his God, * Pſal.
and ſaid, LORD, why doeth thy wrath waxe hote 106.23.
againſt thy people, which thou haſt brought foorth † Hebr.
out of the land of Egypt, with great power, and the face
with a mighty hand? of the
12 * Wherefore ſhould the Egyptians ſpeake Lord.
and ſay, For miſchiefe did hee bring them out, to * Num.
ſlay them in the mountaines, and to conſume them 14.13.
from the face of the earth? Turne from thy fierce
wrath, and repent of this euill againſt thy people.
13 Remember Abraham, Iſaac, and Iſrael thy ſer-
uants: to whom thou ſwareſt by thine owne ſelfe,
and ſaideſt vnto them, * I will multiply your ſeed * Gen.12.
as the ſtarres of heauen: and all this land that I 7.& 15.7
haue ſpoken of, will I giue vnto your ſeed, and & 48.16.
they ſhall inherite it for euer.
14 And the LORD repented of the euill which
he thought to doe vnto his people.
15 ¶ And Moſes turned, and went downe from
the mount, and the two Tables of the Teſtimony
were in his hand: the Tables were written on
both their ſides: on the one ſide, and on the other
were they written.
16 And the * Tables were the worke of God; * Chap.
and the writing was the writing of God, grauen 31.18.
vpon the Tables.
17 And when Ioſhua heard the noiſe of the peo-
ple as they ſhouted, he ſaid vnto Moſes, *There is a*
noiſe of warre in the campe.
18 And he ſaid, *It is* not the voyce of them that
ſhout for maſtery, neither *is it* the voyce of them
that cry for † being ouercome: *but* the noiſe of † Hebr.
them that ſing doe I heare. weakned.
19 ¶ And it came to paſſe as ſoone as hee came
nigh vnto the campe, that he ſaw the calfe, and the
dancing: and Moſes anger waxed hote, and he caſt
the Tables out of his hands, and brake them be-
neath the mount.
20 * And hee tooke the calfe which they had * Deut.
made, and burnt *it* in the fire, and ground *it* to 9.21.
powder, and ſtrawed *it* vpon the water, and made
the children of Iſrael drinke *of it*.
21 And Moſes ſaid vnto Aaron, What did this
people vnto thee, that thou haſt brought ſo great a
ſinne vpon them?
22 And Aaron ſaid, Let not the anger of my
lord waxe hote: thou knoweſt the people, that they
are ſet on miſchiefe.
23 For they ſaid vnto me, Make vs gods, which
ſhall goe before vs: for as for this Moſes, the man
that brought vs vp out of the land of Egypt, wee
wot not what is become of him.
24 And I ſaid vnto them, Whoſoeuer hath any
gold, let them breake it off: ſo they gaue it me: then
I caſt it into the fire and there came out this calfe.
25 ¶ And when Moſes ſaw that the people were
naked (for Aaron had made them naked vnto their
ſhame amongſt † their enemies.) † Hebr.
26 Then Moſes ſtood in the gate of the campe, thoſe that
and ſaid, Who is on the LORDS ſide? *let him come* roſe vp a-
vnto me. And all the ſons of Leui gathered them- gainſt
ſelues together vnto him. them.
27 And he ſaid vnto them, Thus ſaith the LORD
God of Iſrael, Put euery man his ſword by his ſide,
and go in & out from gate to gate throughout the
campe, and ſlay euery man his brother, and euery
man his companion, and euery man his neighbour.
28 And the children of Leui did according to
the word of Moſes: and there fell of the people
that day about three thouſand men.

29 ¶ For

29 ‖ For Moses had said, † Consecrate your selues to day to the LORD, *euen* euery man vpon his sonne, and vpon his brother, that hee may bestow vpon you a blessing this day.

‖ *Or, And Moses said, Consecrate your selues to day to the LORD, because euery man hath been against his sonne & against his brother, &c.*

† *Hebr. fill your hands.*

30 ¶ And it came to passe on the morrow, that Moses said vnto the people; Ye haue sinned a great sinne; and now I will goe vp vnto the LORD; peraduenture I shall make an atonement for your sin.

31 And Moses returned vnto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people haue sinned a great sinne, and haue made them gods of gold.

32 Yet now, if thou wilt, forgiue their sinne; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy booke, which thou hast written.

33 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Whosoeuer hath sinned against mee, him will I blot out of my booke.

34 Therefore now goe, leade the people vnto *the place* of which I haue spoken vnto thee: Behold, mine Angel shall go before thee; Neuertheless, in the day when I visit, I will visit their sin vpon them.

35 And the LORD plagued the people; because they made the calfe, which Aaron made.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 The Lord refuseth to goe as hee had promised with the people. 4 The people mourne thereat. 7 The Tabernacle is remooued out of the campe. 9 The Lord talketh familiarly with Moses. 12 Moses desireth to see the glory of God.

AND the LORD said vnto Moses, Depart *and go vp* hence, thou and the people which thou hast brought vp out of the land of Egypt, vnto the land which I sware vnto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Iacob, saying; * Vnto thy seed will I giue it.

* Gene. 12.7. * Deut. 7. 22. Ioſh. 24.11.

2 * And I will send an Angel before thee, and I will drine out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hiuite, and the Iebusite:

3 Vnto a land flowing with milke and hony: for I will not goe vp in the middest of thee: for thou art a * stiffe-necked people, lest I consume thee in the way.

* Chap. 32.9. Deut. 9.13

4 ¶ And when the people heard these euill tidings, they mourned: and no man did put on him his ornaments.

5 For the LORD had said vnto Moses; Say vnto the children of Israel, Yee are a stiffe necked people; I will come vp into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do vnto thee.

6 And the children of Israel stript themselues of their ornaments by the mount Horeb.

7 And Moses tooke the Tabernacle, and pitched it without the campe, afarre off from the campe, and called it the Tabernacle of the Congregation: And it came to passe, that euery one which sought the LORD, went out vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation, which *was* without the campe.

8 And it came to passe, when Moses went out vnto the Tabernacle, *that* all the people rose vp, and stood euery man at his tent doore, and looked after Moses, vntill he was gone into the Tabernacle.

9 And it came to passe, as Moses entred into the Tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood at the doore of the Tabernacle, and *the Lord* talked with Moses.

10 And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand at the Tabernacle doore: and all the people rose vp, and worshipped euery man in his tent doore.

11 And the LORD spake vnto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh vnto his friend. And he turned againe into the campe: but his seruant Ioshua sonne of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the Tabernacle.

12 ¶ And Moses said vnto the LORD, See, thou saiest vnto me, Bring vp this people: and thou hast not let mee know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I haue found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.

14 And he said, My presence shall goe with thee, and I will giue thee rest.

15 And he said vnto him, If thy presence goe not *with me*, carry vs not vp hence.

16 For wherein shall it bee knowne here that I and thy people haue found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with vs? So shall we be separated, I and thy people from all the people that *are* vpon the face of the earth.

17 And the LORD said vnto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.

18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

19 And hee said, I will make all my goodnesse to passe before thee, and I will proclaime the name of the LORD before thee: * and will be gracious to whom I will bee gracious, and will shew mercie on whom I will shew mercy.

20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and liue.

21 And the LORD said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand vpon a rocke.

22 And it shall come to passe, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rocke, and will couer thee with my hand while I passe by.

23 And I will take away mine hand, & thou shalt see my backe parts: but my face shall not be seene.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

1 The Tables are renewed. 5 The Name of the Lord proclaimed. 8 Moses worshippeth God with them. 10 God maketh a Couenant with him, repeating certaine duties of the first Table. 28 Moses after forty dayes in the Mount, commeth with the Tables. 29 His face shineth, and he weareth it with a vaile.

AND the LORD said vnto Moses, * Hew thee two Tables of stone like vnto the first: and I will write vpon *these* Tables, the words that were in the first Tables, which thou brakest.

2 And be ready in the morning, and come in the morning vnto mount Sinai, and present thy selfe there to me in the top of the mount.

3 And no man shall * come vp with thee, neither let any man bee seene throughout all the mount, neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount.

4 ¶ And he hewed two Tables of stone like vnto the first, and Moses rose vp early in the morning, and went vp vnto mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and tooke in his hand the two Tables of stone.

5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed; The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodnesse and truth,

7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiuing iniquity, and transgression, and sinne, and that will

Lesbon. 1. 2. 1 Tim. 3. Heb. 4. 12. 13.

meanes cleare the guilty, * visiting the iniquitie the fathers vpon the children, and vpon the ldren children, vnto the third and to the rth generation.

8 And Moses made haste, and bowed his head to- rd the earth, and worshipped.

9 And he said, If now I haue found grace in y sight, O Lord, let my lord, I pray thee, goe a- ngst vs, (for it is a stiffe-necked people) and rdon our iniquity, and our sinne, and take vs for ne inheritance.

10 ¶ And hee said, Behold, * I make a Couenant fore all thy people I will doe marueiles, such as e not beene done in all the earth, nor in any tion: and all the people amongst which thou art, ll see the worke of the LORD: for it is a terri- thing that I will doe with thee.

11 Obserue thou that which I command thee this y: Behold, I drine out before thee the Amorite, the Canzanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hiuite, and the Iebusite.

12 * Take heed to thy selfe, lest thou make a co- ant with the inhabitants of the land, whither u goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee.

13 But ye shall destroy their altars, breake their ges, and cut downe their groues.

14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the RD, whose name is Iealous, is a * iealous God:

15 Lest thou make a Couenant with the inhabi- ts of the land, and they goe a whoring after ir gods, and doe sacrifice vnto their gods, and ll thee, and thou eate of his sacrifice,

16 And thou take * of their daughters vnto thy s, and their daughters goe a whoring after ir gods, and make thy sonnes goe a whoring r their gods.

17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.

18 ¶ The feast of * vnleauened bread shalt thou p: seuen dayes thou shalt eate vnleauened ead, as I commanded thee in the time of the mo- Abib: for in the * moneth Abib thou camest from Egypt.

19 * All that openeth the matrix is mine: and y firstling amongst thy cattell, whether oxe or pe, that is male.

20 But the firstling of an asse thou shalt redeeme a lambe: and if thou redeeme him not, then t thou breake his necke. All the first borne of nnes thou shalt redeeme: and none shall ap- e before me * emptie.

21 * Sixe dayes thou shalt worke, but on the th day thou shalt rest: in earing time, and in t thou shalt rest.

22 ¶ And thou shalt obserue the feast of weekes, e first fruits of wheat haruest, and the feast of thering at the † yeeres end.

23 ¶ * Thrice in the yeere shall all your men- ren appeare before the Lord GOD, the God of .

24 For I will cast out the nations before thee, nlarge thy borders: neither shall any man de- y land, when thou shalt goe vp to appeare e the LORD thy God, thrice in the yeere.

25 * Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacri- ith leauen, neither shall the sacrifice of the Passeouer be left vnto the morning.

26 The first of the first fruits of thy land thou bring vnto the house of the LORD thy God. shalt not seethe * a kid in his mothers milke.

27 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Write thou words: for after the tenour of these words, e a couenant with thee, and with Israel.

28 * And he was there with the LORD fourtie dayes, and fourtie nights: hee did neither eate bread, nor drinke water: and hee wrote vpon the Tables the words of the Couenant, the ten † Commandements.

29 ¶ And it came to passe, when Moses came downe from mount Sinai (with the two Tables of Testimony in Moses hand; when hee came downe from the mount) that Moses wist not that the skin of his face shone while he talked with him.

30 And when Aaron, and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come nigh him.

31 And Moses called vnto them, and Aaron, and all the Rulers of the Congregation returned vnto him, and Moses talked with them.

32 And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh: and he gaue them in commandement all that the LORD had spoken with him in mount Sinai.

33 And *till* Moses had done speaking with them, he put * a vaile on his face,

34 But when Moses went in before the LORD, to speake with him, he tooke the vaile off, vntill hee came out: And hee came out and spake vnto the children of Israel, that which he was commanded.

35 And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses face shone: and Moses put the vaile vpon his face againe, vntill hee went in to speake with him.

CHAP XXXV.

1 The Sabbath. 4 The free gifts of the Tabernacle. 20 The readinesse of the people to offer. 30 Bezaleel and Aholiab are called to the worke.

AND Moses gathered all the Congregation of the children of Israel together, and said vnto them: These are the words which the LORD hath commanded that ye should doe them.

2 * Sixe dayes shall worke be done, but on the seuenth day there shall be to you an † holy day, a Sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoeuer doeth worke therein shall be put to death.

3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations vpon the Sabbath day.

4 ¶ And Moses spake vnto all the Congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

5 Take yee from amongst you an offering vnto the LORD: * Whosoeuer *is* of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD, gold, and siluer, and brasse,

6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linnen, and goats *haire*,

7 And rammes skinnes dyed red, and badgers skinnes, and Shittim wood,

8 And oyle for the light, and spices for anointing oyle, and for the sweet incense:

9 And Onyx stones, and stones to be set for the Ephod, and for the breast-plate.

10 And euery wise hearted among you, shall come and make all that the LORD hath commanded:

11 * The Tabernacle, his tent, and his couering, his taches, and his bars, his pillars, and his sockets:

12 The Arke and the staues thereof, with the Mercy-seat, and the vaile of the couering:

13 The Table, and his staues, and all his vessels, and the Shew-bread.

14 The Candlesticke also for the light, and his furniture, & his lamps, with the oile for the light,

15 * And the incense Altar, and his staues, and the anointing oyle, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the doore, at the entring in of the Tabernacle.

16 *The Altar of burnt offering, with his brazen grate, his ſtaues, and all his veſſels, the Laner and his foot:

17 The hangings of the Court, his pillars, and their ſockets and the hanging for the doore of the Court:

18 The pins of the Tabernacle, and the pins of the Court, and their cords:

19 The clothes of ſeruice, to doe ſeruice in the holy place, the holy garments, for Aaron the Prieſt, and the garments of his ſonnes to miniſter in the Prieſts office.

20 ¶ And all the Congregation of the children of Iſrael departed from the preſence of Moſes.

21 And they came euery one whoſe heart ſtirred him vp, and euery one whom his ſpirit made willing: and they brought the LORDS offering to the worke of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and for all his ſeruice, and for the holy garments.

22 And they came both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, *and* brought bracelets and eare rings, and rings, and tablets, all iewels of gold, and euery man that offered, *offered* an offering of gold vnto the LORD.

23 And euery man with whom was found blew, and purple, and ſcarlet, and fine linnen, and goates *haire*, and red ſkins of rammes, and badgers ſkins, brought *them*.

24 Euery one that did offer an offering of ſiluer and braſſe, brought the LORDS offering: and euery man with whom was found Shittim wood for any worke of the ſeruice, brought *it*.

25 And all the women that were wiſe hearted, did ſpin with their hands, and brought that which they had ſpun, both of blew and of purple, and of ſcarlet, and of fine linnen.

26 And all the women whoſe heart ſtirred them vp in wiſedome, ſpun goates *haire*.

27 And the Rulers brought Onyx ſtones, & ſtones to be ſet for the Ephod, and for the breſt-plate:

28 And * ſpice, and oyle for the light, and for the anointing oyle, and for the ſweet incenſe.

29 The children of Iſrael brought a willing offering vnto the LORD, euery man and woman whoſe heart made them willing to bring for all manner of worke, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hands of Moſes.

30 ¶ And Moſes ſaid vnto the children of Iſrael, See, * the LORD hath called by name Bezaleel the ſon of Vri, the ſon of Hur of the tribe of Iudah.

31 And hee hath filled him with the Spirit of God, in wiſedome, in vnderſtanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workemanſhip.

32 And to deuiſe curious workes, to worke in gold, and in ſiluer, and in braſſe,

33 And in the cutting of ſtones, to ſet *them*, and in caruing of wood, to make any manner of cunning worke.

34 And hee hath put in his heart, that hee may teach, *both* hee, and Aholiab the ſon of Ahiſamach, of the tribe of Dan.

35 Them hath he filled with wiſedome of heart, to worke all manner of worke of the ingrauer, and of the cunning workeman, and of the imbroiderer, in blew, and in purple, in ſcarlet, and in fine linnen, and of the weauer, euen of them that doe any worke, and of thoſe that deuiſe cunning worke.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 *The offerings are deliuered to the workemen.* 5 *The liberality of the people is reſtrained.* 8 *The curtaines of Cherubims.* 14 *The curtaines of goats haire.* 19 *The couering of ſkinnes.* 20 *The boards,*

with their ſockets. 31 *The barres.* 35 *The vaile.* 37 *The hanging for the doore.*

THen wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and euery wiſe hearted man, in whom the LORD put wiſedome, and vnderſtanding to know how to worke all manner of worke for the ſeruice of the Sanctuary, according to all that the LORD had commanded.

2 And Moſes called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and euery wiſe-hearted man, in whoſe heart the LORD had put wiſedome, *euen* euery one whoſe heart ſtirred him vp to come vnto the worke to doe it.

3 And they receiued of Moſes all the offering which the children of Iſrael had brought for the worke of the ſeruice of the Sanctuary, to make it withall. And they brought yet vnto him free offerings euery morning.

4 And all the wiſe men that wrought all the worke of the Sanctuary, came euery man from his worke which they made,

5 ¶ And they ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying, The people bring much more then enough for the ſeruice of the worke which the LORD commanded to make.

6 And Moſes gaue commandement, and they cauſed it to be proclaimed throughout the campe, ſaying, Let neither man nor woman make any more worke for the offering of the Sanctuary. So the people were reſtrained from bringing.

7 For the ſtuffe they had was ſufficient for all the worke to make it, and too much.

8 ¶ * And euery wiſe-hearted man among them that wrought the worke of the Tabernacle, made ten curtaines of fine twined linnen, and blew, and purple, and ſcarlet: with Cherubims of cunning worke made he them.

9 The length of one curtaine was twenty and eight cubits, and the breadth of one curtaine foure cubites: the curtaines *were* all of one ſize.

10 And hee coupled the fiue curtaines one vnto another: and *the other* fiue curtaines hee coupled one vnto another.

11 And he made loopes of blew, on the edge of one curtaine, from the ſelueage in the couplng: likewiſe he made in the vttermoſt ſide of another curtaine, in the coupling of the ſecond.

12 * Fiftie loopes made hee in one curtaine, and fiftie loopes made hee in the edge of the curtaine which *was* in the coupling of the ſecond: the loopes held one curtaine to another.

13 And he made fiftie taches of gold, and coupled the curtaines one vnto another with the taches: So it became one Tabernacle.

14 ¶ And he made curtaines of goates haire, for the tent, ouer the Tabernacle: eleuen curtaines made he them.

15 The length of one curtaine was thirtie cubits, and foure cubits was the breadth of one curtaine: the eleuen curtaines were of one ſize.

16 And he coupled fiue curtaines by themſelues, and ſixe curtaines by themſelues.

17 And he made fiftie loopes vpon the vttermoſt edge of the curtaine in the coupling, and fiftie loopes made hee vpon the edge of the curtaine which coupleth the ſecond.

18 And he made fiftie taches of braſſe to couple the tent together, that it might be one.

19 And he made a couering for the tent of rams ſkins dyed red, and a couering of badgers ſkins aboue *that*.

20 ¶ And he made boards for the Tabernacle of Shittim wood, ſtanding vp.

21 The length of a board *was* ten cubits,

breadth of a board one cubite and a halfe.
One board had two tenons equally distant one
another: thus did he make for all the boardes
the Tabernacle.
And hee made boards for the Tabernacle:
enty boards for the South side Southward.
And forty sockets of siluer he made vnder the
enty boards: two sockets vnder one board for
two tenons, and two sockets vnder another
rd for his two tenons.
And for the other side of the Tabernacle
ich is toward the North corner, he made twenty
rds.
And their forty sockets of siluer, two sockets
der one board, and two sockets vnder another
rd.
And for the sides of the Tabernacle West-
rd, he made sixe boards.
And two boards made hee for the corners of
Tabernacle in the two sides.
And they were †coupled beneath, and coupled
ther at the head thereof, to one ring: thus hee
o both of them in both the corners.
And there were eight boards, and their soc-
s were sixteene sockets of siluer: vnder † euery
rd two sockets.
¶ And hee made * barres of Shittim wood:
for the boards of the one side of the Taber-
le,
And fiue bars for the boards of the other side
e Tabernacle, and fiue bars for the boards of
Tabernacle for the sides Westward.
And hee made the middle barre to shoot thor-
the boards from the one end to the other.
And hee ouerlaid the boards with gold, and
e their rings of gold to be places for the bars,
ouerlaid the bars with gold.
¶ And he made a Vaile of blew, & purple, and
et, and fine twined linned: with Cherubims
he it of cunning worke.
And he made thereunto foure pillars of Shit-
wood, and ouerlaide them with gold: their
es were of gold: and hee cast for them foure
ts of siluer.
¶ And he made an hanging for the Taberna-
oore of blew, and purple, and scarlet, and fine
ed linnen † of needle worke,
And the fiue pillars of it with their hookes:
hee ouerlaid their chapiters and their fillets
gold: but their fiue sockets were of brasse.

CHAP. XXXVII.

The Arke. 6 The Mercy-seat with Cherubims. 10 The Table with his vessels. 17 The Candlesticke & lampes and instruments. 25 The Altar of it. 29 The anointing oyle and sweet incense.

Nd Bezaleel made * the Arke of Shittim
wood: two cubites and a halfe was the length
, and a cubite and a halfe the breadth of it,
cubite and an halfe the height of it.
And he ouerlaid it with pure gold within and
out, and made a crowne of gold to it round
.
And he cast for it foure rings of gold, *to bee set*
e foure corners of it: euen two rings vpon the
de of it, & two rings vpon the other side of it.
And hee made staues of Shittim wood, and
aid them with gold.
And hee put the staues into the rings, by the
de of the Arke, to beare the Arke.
And he made the * Mercy-seat of pure gold:
ubites and an halfe *was* the length thereof,
cubite and an halfe the breadth thereof.
And he made two Cherubims of gold, beaten
out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of
the Mercy-seat;
One Cherub ‖ on the end on this *side*, and ano- ‖ *Or, out*
ther Cherub ‖ on the *other* end on that side: out of *of, &c.*
the Mercy-seat made he the Cherubims on the two *Or, out*
ends thereof. *of, &c.*
And the Cherubims spread out their wings
on high, *and* covered with their wings ouer the
Mercy-seat, with their faces one to another: *euen*
to the Mercy-seat-ward were the faces of the Che-
rubims.
¶ And he made the Table of Shittim wood:
two cubites *was* the length thereof, and a cubite
the breadth thereof, and a cubite and an halfe the
height thereof.
And he ouerlaid it with pure gold, and made
thereunto a crowne of gold round about.
Also he made thereunto a border of an hand-
breadth round about: and made a crowne of gold
for the border thereof round about.
And he cast for it foure rings of gold, and put
the rings vpon the foure corners that *were* in the
foure feet thereof.
Ouer against the border were the rings, the
places for the staues to beare the Table.
And he made the staues of Shittim wood, and
ouerlaid them with gold, to beare the Table.
And he made the vessels which *were* vpon the
Table, his * dishes, and his spoones, and his bowles, * Chap.
and his couers ‖ to couer withall, of pure gold. 25.29.
¶ And he made the * Candlesticke of pure ‖ *Or, to*
gold, of beaten worke made he the Candlesticke, *powre out*
his shaft, and his branch, his bowles, his knops, and *withall.*
his flowers were of the same. * Chap.
And six branches going out of the sides there- 25.32.
of: three branches of the Candlesticke out of the
one side thereof, and three branches of the Candle-
sticke out of the other *side* thereof.
Three bowles made he after the fashion of
Almonds, in one branch a knop and a flower; and
three bowles made like Almonds, in another
branch a knop and a flower: so throughout the six
branches, going out of the Candlesticke.
And in the Candlesticke *were* foure bowles
made like Almonds, his knops and his flowers:
And a knop vnder two branches of the same,
and a knop vnder two branches of the same, and a
knop vnder two branches of the same, according
to the six branches going out of it.
Their knops and their branches were of the
same: all of it *was* one beaten worke of pure gold.
And he made his seuen lampes, and his snuf-
fers, and his snuf-dishes of pure gold.
Of a talent of pure gold made he it, and all
the vessels thereof.
¶ * And he made the incense Altar of Shit- * Chap.
tim wood: the length of it *was* a cubite, and the 30.34.
breadth of it a cubite: it *was* foure square, and
two cubites *was* the height of it: the hornes there-
of were of the same.
And he ouerlaid it with pure gold, *both* the
top of it, and the sides thereof round about, and
the hornes of it: also he made vnto it a crowne of
gold round about.
And he made two rings of gold for it, vnder
the crowne thereof, by the two corners of it, vpon
the two sides thereof, to be places for the staues to
beare it withall.
And he made the staues of Shittim wood, and
ouerlaid them with gold.
¶ And he made * the holy anointing oile, and * Chap.
30.25.

the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the worke of the Apothecary.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

1 *The Altar of burnt offerings.* 8 *The Laver of brasse.* 9 *The Court.* 21 *The summe of that the people offered.*

And hee made the Altar of burnt offering of Shittim wood: fiue cubites *was* the length thereof, and fiue cubites the breadth thereof: *it was* foure square, and three cubites the height thereof.

2 And hee made the hornes thereof on the foure corners of itt the hornes thereof were of the same, and he ouerlaid it with brasse.

3 And he made all the vessels of the Altar, the pots, and the shouels, and the bassons, *and* the fleshhookes, and the fire-pannes: all the vessels thereof made he of brasse.

4 And hee made for the Altar a brazen grate of net-worke vnder the compasse thereof, beneath vnto the midst of it.

5 And hee cast foure rings for the foure ends of the grate of brasse, to be places for the staues.

6 And he made the staues of Shittim wood, and ouerlaid them with brasse.

7 And hee put the staues into the rings on the sides of the Altar to beare it withall; hee made the Altar hollow with boards.

8 ¶ And hee made the Lauer of brasse, and the foot of it of brasse, of the ‖ looking glasses of *the women* † assembling, which assembled at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

9 ¶ And he made the Court: on the South side Southward, the hangings of the Court *were* of fine twined linnen, an hundred cubites.

10 Their pillars *were* twenty, and their brazen sockets twenty: the hookes of the pillars, and their fillets *were* of siluer.

11 And for the North side, *the hangings were* an hundred cubites, their pillars *were* twenty, and their sockets of brasse twenty: the hookes of the pillars, and their fillets of siluer.

12 And for the West side, *were* hangings of fifty cubites, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten: the hookes of the pillars, and their fillets of siluer.

13 And for the East side Eastward, fifty cubites.

14 The hangings of the one side *of the gate were* fifteene cubites, their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 And for the other side of the Court gate on this hand, and that hand, *were* hangings of fifteene cubites, their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 All the hangings of the Court round about *were* of fine twined linnen.

17 And the sockets for the pillars *were* of brasse, the hookes of the pillars, and their fillets of siluer, and the ouerlaying of their chapiters of siluer, and all the pillars of ỹ court were filleted with siluer.

18 And the hanging for the gate of the court was needle worke of blue, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linnen: and twenty cubites was the length, and the height in the breadth was fiue cubites, answerable to the hangings of the Court.

19 And their pillars were foure, and their sockets of brasse foure: their hooks of siluer, and the ouerlaying of their chapiters, and their fillets of siluer.

20 And all the * pins of the Tabernacle, and of the Court round about *were* of brasse.

21 ¶ This *is* the summe of the Tabernacle, *euen* of the Tabernacle of Testimony, as it was counted, according to the Commandement of Moses, *for* the seruice of the Leuites, by the hand of Ithamar sonne §§ Aaron the Priest.

22 And Bezaleel the sonne of Vri, the sonne of Hur, of the tribe of Iudah, made all that the LORD commanded Moses.

23 And with him *was* Aholiab sonne of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engrauer, and a cunning workeman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linnen.

24 All the gold that was occupied for the worke in all the worke of the Holy place, euen the gold of the offering, *was* twenty and nine talents, and seuen hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary.

25 And the siluer of them that were numbred of the Congregation, *was* an hundred talents, and a thousand seuen hundred, and threescore and fifteene shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary.

26 A Bekah for † euery man, *that is* halfe a shekel, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, for euery one that went to be numbred, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand, and fiue hundred and fifty men.

27 And of the hundred talents of siluer, were cast the sockets of the Sanctuary, and the sockets of the Vaile: an hundred sockets, of the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.

28 And of the thousand seuen hundred seuentie and fiue shekels, hee made hookes for the pillars, and ouerlaid their chapiters, and filleted them.

29 And the brasse of the offering was seuentie talents, & two thousand and foure hundred shekels.

30 And therewith hee made the sockets of the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the brazen Altar, and the brazen grate for it, and all the vessels of the Altar,

31 And the sockets of the court round about, and the sockets of the court gate, and all the pins of the Tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

CHAP. XXXIX.

1 *The clothes of seruice and holy garments.* 2 *Ephod.* 8 *The Brest plate.* 22 *The robe of the Ephod.* 27 *The Coats, blistre, and girdle of fine linnen.* 30 *The plate of the holy Crowne.* 32 *All is viewed and approoued by Moses.*

And of the blue, and purple, and skarlet made clothes of seruice, to doe seruice in the holy place, and * made the holy garments for Aaron, as the LORD commanded Moses.

2 And he made the Ephod of gold, blue and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linnen.

3 And they did beat the gold into thinne plates, and cut it into wiers, to worke it in the blue, and in the purple, and in the skarlet, and in the fine linnen, with cunning worke.

4 They made shoulder pieces for it, to couple it together: by the two edges was it coupled together.

5 And the curious girdle of his Ephod that was vpon it, was of the same, according to the worke thereof: of gold, blue, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linnen, as the LORD commanded Moses.

6 ¶ * And they wrought Onix stones inclosed in ouches of gold, grauen as signets are grauen, with the names of the children of Israel.

7 And he put them on the shoulders of ‡ Ephod, that they should be stones for a * memoriall to the children of Israel, as the LORD commanded Moses.

8 ¶ And hee made the Brest-plate of cunning worke, like the worke of the Ephod, of gold, blue, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linnen.

9 It was foure square, they made the Brest-plate double: a span was the length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof *being* doubled.

Chap. 27.1.

‖ *Or, brazen glasses.* † *Hebr. assembling by troupes.*

Chap. 27.19.

10 And they set in it foure rowes of stones: the
† first row was a † Sardius, a Topaze, and a Carbun-
cle: this was the first row.
11 And the second row an Emerand, a Saphire,
and a Diamond.
12 And the third row a Lygure, an Agate, and an
Amethyst.
13 And the fourth row a Beryll, an Onyx, and a
Iasper: they were inclosed in ouches of gold in
their inclosings.
14 And the stones were according to the names
of the children of Israel, twelue according to their
names, like the ingrainings of a signet, euery one
with his name according to the twelue tribes.
15 And they made vpon the brestplate chaines at
the ends, of wreathen worke of pure gold.
16 And they made two ouches of gold, and two
gold rings: and put the two rings in the two
ends of the brestplate.
17 And they put the two wreathen chaines of
gold in the two rings on the ends of the brestplate.
18 And the two ends of the two wreathen chains
they fastened in the two ouches, and put them on
the shoulder pieces of the Ephod before it.
19 And they made two rings of gold, and put
them on the two ends of the brestplate vpon the
border of it, which was on the side of the Ephod
inward.
20 And they made two other golden rings, and
put them on the two sides of the Ephod vnderneath, toward the forepart of it, ouer against the
other coupling thereof, aboue the curious girdle of
the Ephod.
21 And they did bind the brestplate by his rings
vnto the rings of the Ephod with a lace of blue,
that it might be aboue the curious girdle of the E-
phod, and that the brestplate might not be loosed
from the Ephod, as the LORD commanded Moses.
22 ¶ And he made the robe of the Ephod of wo-
uen worke, all of blue.
23 And there was a hole in the midst of the robe,
as the hole of an habergion, with a band round a-
bout the hole that it should not rent.
24 And they made vpon the hemmes of the robe,
pomegranates of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and
twined linnen.
25 And they made * bels of pure gold, and put
the bels betweene the pomegranates, vpon the
hemme of the robe, round about betweene the
pomegranates.
26 A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pome-
granate round about the hemme of the robe to mi-
nister in, as the LORD commanded Moses.
27 ¶ And they made coats of fine linnen, of wo-
uen worke, for Aaron, and for his sonnes.
28 And a miter of fine linnen, and goodly bon-
nets of fine linnen, and * linnen breeches of fine
twined linnen,
29 And a girdle of fine twined linnen, and
blew and purple, and scarlet of needle worke, as the
LORD commanded Moses.
30 ¶ And they made the plate of the holy crowne
of pure gold, and wrote vpon it a writing, like to
the ingrainings of a signet, * HOLINESSE
TO THE LORD.
31 And they tied vnto it a lace of blue, to fasten
it on high vpon the miter, as the LORD command-
ed Moses.
32 ¶ Thus was all the worke of the Tabernacle
of the tent of the Congregation finished: and the
children of Israel did according to all that the
LORD commanded Moses, so did they.
33 ¶ And they brought the Tabernacle vnto Mo-
ses, the tent, and all his furniture, his taches, his
boards, his barres, and his pillars, and his sockets,
34 And the couering of rammes skinnes died red,
and the couering of badgers skins, and the vaile
of the couering:
35 The Arke of the Testimony, and the staues
thereof, and the Mercy-seat,
36 The Table, and all the vessels thereof, and
the Shew-bread:
37 The pure candlestick with the lampes there-
of, euen with the lampes to be set in order, and all
the vessels thereof, and the oyle for light:
38 And the golden Altar, and the annointing
oile, and the † sweet incense, and the hanging for
the Tabernacle doore:
39 The brazen Altar, and his grate of brasse, his
staues, and all his vessels, the lauer and his foot:
40 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and
his sockets, and the hanging for the Court gate, his
cords, and his pins, and all the vessels of the seruice
of the Tabernacle, for the tent of the Congregation:
41 The clothes of seruice to doe seruice in the
holy place, and the holy garments for Aaron the
Priest and his sonnes garments to minister in the
priests office.
42 According to all that the LORD command-
ed Moses, so the children of Israel made all the
worke.
43 And Moses did looke vpon all the worke,
and behold, they had done it, as the LORD had
commanded, euen so had they done it: and Moses
blessed them.

CHAP. XL.

1 *The Tabernacle is commanded to be reared.* 9 *and annointed.* 12 *Aaron and his sonnes to be sanctified.* 16 *Moses performeth all things accordingly.* 34 *A cloud couereth the Tabernacle.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 On the first day of the first moneth thou
shalt set vp the Tabernacle of the tent of the Con-
gregation.
3 And thou shalt put therein the Arke of the Te-
stimony, and couer the Arke with the Vaile:
4 And * thou shalt bring in the Table, and set
in order the things that are to be set in order vp-
on it, and thou shalt bring in the Candlestick, and
light the lampes thereof.
5 And thou shalt set the Altar of gold for the
incense before the Arke of the Testimony, and put
the hanging of the doore to the Tabernacle.
6 And thou shalt set the Altar of the burnt offe-
ring, before the doore of the Tabernacle of the
tent of the Congregation.
7 And thou shalt set the lauer between the tent
of the Congregation and the Altar, and shalt put
water therein.
8 And thou shalt set vp the Court round about,
and hang vp the hanging at the Court gate.
9 And thou shalt take the annointing oile, and
annoint the Tabernacle and all that is therein, and
shalt hallow it, and all the vessels thereof: and it
shall be holy.
10 And thou shalt annoint the Altar of the burnt
offering, and all his vessels, and sanctifie the Altar:
and it shall be an Altar † most holy.
11 And thou shalt annoint the lauer and his foot,
and sanctifie it.
12 And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sonnes
vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congrega-
tion, and wash them with water.
13 And thou shalt put vpon Aaron the holy gar-

† Heb. the incense of sweet spices.

* Chap. 26. 35.
† Heb. the order thereof.

† Heb. Holinesse of Holinesses.

ments, and anoint him, and sanctifie him, that he may minister vnto me in the Priests office.

14 And thou shalt bring his sonnes, and clothe them with coats.

15 And thou shalt anoint them as thou didst anoynt their father, that they may minister vnto me in the Priests office: for their anointing shall surely be an euerlasting Priesthood, thorowout their generations.

16 Thus did Moses according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he.

17 ¶ And it came to passe in the first moneth, in the second yere, on the first *day* of the moneth, that the * Tabernacle was reared vp.

* Num. 7.1.

18 And Moses reared vp the Tabernacle, & fastned his sockets, and set vp the boards thereof, and put in the barres thereof, and reared vp his pillars.

19 And he spread abroad the tent ouer the Tabernacle, and put the couering of the tent aboue vpon it, as the LORD commanded Moses.

20 ¶ And he tooke and put the Testimony into the Arke, and set the staues on the Arke, and put the Mercy-seat aboue vpon the Arke.

21 And he brought the Arke into the Tabernacle, and * set vp the Vaile of the couering, and couered the Arke of the Testimony, as the LORD commanded Moses.

* Chap. 35.12.

22 ¶ And he put the Table in the tent of the Congregation vpon the side of the Tabernacle Northward without the Vaile.

23 And he set the bread in order vpon it, before the LORD, as the LORD had commanded Moses.

24 ¶ And he put the Candlesticke in the tent of the Congregation, ouer against the Table, on the side of the Tabernacle Southward.

25 And he lighted the lampes before the LORD, as the LORD commanded Moses.

26 ¶ And he put the golden Altar in the tent of the Congregation before the Vaile.

27 And he burnt sweet incense thereon, as the LORD commanded Moses.

28 ¶ And he set vp the hanging at the doore of the Tabernacle.

29 And he put the Altar of burnt offering by the doore of the Tabernacle of the tent of the Congregation, & offered vpon it the burnt offring and the meat offering, as the * LORD commanded Moses.

30 ¶ And he set the Laner betweene the tent of the Congregation and the Altar, and put water there, to wash *withall*.

31 And Moses and Aaron and his sonnes washed their hands and their feet thereat.

32 When they went into the tent of the Congregation, and when they came neere vnto the Altar they washed, as the LORD commanded Moses.

33 And he reared vp the Court round about the Tabernacle and the Altar, and set vp the hanging of the Court gate, so Moses finished the worke.

34 ¶ * Then a cloud couered the tent of the Congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the Tabernacle.

35 And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the Congregation, because the cloude abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the Tabernacle.

36 And when the cloude was taken vp from ouer the Tabernacle, the children of Israel † went onward in all their iourneys:

37 But if the cloud were not taken vp, then they iourneyed not till the day that it was taken vp.

38 For the cloud of the LORD *was* vpon the Tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, thorowout all their iourneys.

¶ THE THIRD BOOKE OF MOSES CALLED LEVITICVS.

CHAP. I.

1 *The burnt offerings,* 3 *of the herd,* 10 *of the flockes.* 12 *Of the foules.*

AND the LORD called vnto Moses, and spake vnto him out of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, saying,

2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, If any man of you bring an offering vnto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattell, euen of the herd, and of the flocke.

3 * If his offring be a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it of his owne voluntary will, at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation before the LORD.

* Exo. 28.10.

4 And he shall put his hand vpon the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

5 And he shall kill the bullocke before the LORD: and the Priests Aarons sonnes shall bring the blood, and sprinkle the blood round about vpon the Altar that *is* by the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

6 And he shall flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces.

7 And the sons of Aaron the Priest shall put fire vpon the Altar, & lay the wood in order vpon the fire,

8 And the Priests Aarons sons shall lay the parts, the head and the fat in order vpon the wood that *is* in the fire which *is* vpon the Altar.

9 But the inwards and his legs, shall he wash in water, and the Priest shall burne all on the Altar, to *be* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire of sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

10 ¶ And if his offering be of the flocke, namely of the sheepe, or of the goats for a burnt sacrifice: he shall bring it a male without blemish.

11 And he shall kill it on the side of the Altar Northward before the LORD: and the Priests Aarons sonnes shall sprinkle his blood round about vpon the Altar.

12 And he shall cut it into his pieces with his head and his fat: and the Priest shall lay them in order on the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* vpon the Altar:

13 But he shall wash the inwards, & the legs in water, and the Priest shall bring it all, and burne it vpon the Altar: it *is* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

14 ¶ And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD *be* of foules, then he shall bring his offering of turtle doues, or of young pigeons.

15 And the Priest shall bring it vnto the Altar, and wring off his head, and burne it on the Altar: and the blood thereof shall be wrung out at the side of the Altar.

16 And he shall plucke away his crop with his feathers, and cast it beside the Altar on the East part by the place of the ashes.

17 And he shall cleaue it with the wings

shall not diuide it asunder: and the Priest shall burne it vpon the Altar, vpon the wood that is on the fire: it is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

CHAP. II.

The meat offering of floure with oyle and incense, 4 *either baken in the ouen,* 5 *or on a plate, or in a frying pan.* 12 *Or of the first fruits in the barne.* 13 *The salt of the meat offering.*

AND when any will offer a meat offering vnto the LORD his offering shall be of fine floure: and he shall powre oyle vpon it, and put frankincense thereon.

2 And he shall bring it to Aarons sonnes the priests: and he shall take thereout his handfull of floure thereof, and of the oile thereof with all the frankincense thereof, and the Priest shall burne the memoriall of it vpon the Altar, *to be* an offering made by fire *of a* sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

3 And *the remnant of the meat offering shall* Aarons and his sonnes: *it is a* thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

4 ¶ And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering baken in the ouen, *it shall be* an vnleauened cake of fine floure mingled with oyle, or vnleauened wafers anointed with oyle.

5 ¶ And if thy oblation be a meat offering *baken* in a pan, it shall be of fine floure vnleauened, mingled with oyle.

6 Thou shalt part it in pieces, and powre oyle thereon: *it is* a meat offering.

7 ¶ And if thy oblation be a meat offering *baken* in the frying pan, it shall be made of fine floure with oyle.

8 And thou shalt bring the meat offering that is made of these things vnto the LORD, and when it is presented vnto the Priest, he shall bring it vnto the Altar.

9 And the Priest shall take from the meat offering a memoriall thereof, and shall burne it vpon the Altar: *it is* an *offering made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

10 And that which is left of the meat offering, *shall be* Aarons and his sonnes: *It is* a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

11 No meat offering which ye shall bring vnto the LORD, shall be made with leauen: For ye shall burne no leauen, nor any hony, in any offering of the LORD made by fire.

12 ¶ As for the oblation of the first fruits, ye shall offer them vnto the LORD, but they shall not come burnt on the Altar for a sweet sauour.

13 And euery oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with salt, neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the Couenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thy offerings thou shalt offer salt.

14 And if thou offer a meat offering of thy first fruits vnto the LORD, thou shalt offer for the meat offering of thy first fruits, greene eares of corne dried by the fire, *euen* corne beaten out of full eares.

15 And thou shalt put oyle vpon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it *is* a meat offering.

16 And the Priest shall burne the memoriall of part of the beaten corne thereof, and part of the oyle thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: *it is* an offering made by fire vnto the LORD.

CHAP. III.

The peace offering of the herd, 6 *of the flocke, either a lambe,* 12 *or a goat.*

AND if his oblation *be* a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer *it* of the herd, whether it be a male or a female, he shall offer it without blemish before the LORD.

2 And he shall lay his hand vpon the head of his offering, & kill it at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: & Aarons sons the Priests shall sprinkle the blood vpon the Altar round about.

3 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering, an offering made by fire vnto the LORD, * the ‖ fat that couereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* vpon the inwards.

4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks: and the ‖ caule aboue the liuer, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

5 And Aarons sons shall burne it on the Altar vpon the burnt sacrifice, which *is* vpon the wood that *is* on the fire: *it is* an offering made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

6 ¶ And if his offering for a sacrifice of peace offering vnto the LORD, be of the flocke male or female, he shall offer it without blemish.

7 If he offer a lambe for his offering, then shall he offer it before the LORD.

8 And hee shall lay his hand vpon the head of his offering, and kill it before the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and Aarons sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof round about vpon the Altar.

9 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering, an offering made by fire vnto the LORD: the fat thereof *and* the whole rumpe, it shall he take off hard by the backe bone: and the fat that couereth the inwards, & all the fat that *is* vpon the inwards.

10 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is vpon them, which *is* by the flankes, and the caule aboue the liuer with the kidneyes, it shall he take away.

11 And the Priest shall burne it vpon the Altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire vnto the LORD.

12 ¶ And if his offering be a goat, then hee shall offer it before the LORD,

13 And he shall lay his hand vpon the head of it, and kill it before the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and the sonnes of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof vpon the Altar round about.

14 And he shall offer thereof his offering, *euen* an offering made by fire vnto the LORD; the fat that couereth the inwards, and all the fat that is vpon the inwards.

15 And the two kidneys and the fat that is vpon them, which *is* by the flankes, and the caule aboue the liuer, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

16 And the Priest shall burne them vpon the Altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire for a sweet sauour: *All the fat *is* the LORDS.

17 *It shall be* a perpetuall statute for your generations, thorowout all your dwellings, that yee eat neither fat, nor blood.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *The sin offering of ignorance,* 3 *for the Priest* 13 *for the Congregation,* 22 *for the Ruler,* 27 *for any of the people.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, If a soule shall sin through ignorance against any of the Commandements of the LORD (concerning things which ought not to be done) and shall doe against any of them:

3 If the Priest that is anointed, doe sin according to the sin of the people, then let him bring for his sin which he hath sinned, a young bullocke without blemish, vnto the LORD for a sin offering.

4 And he shall bring the bullocke vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation before the

*Exod. 29.22.

‖ *Or, suet.*

‖ *Or, midriffe ouer the liuer, and ouer the kidneys.*

*Chap. 7.25.

*Gene. 9.4. chap. 7.26. and 17.14.

LORD, and shall lay his hand vpon the bullockes head, and kill the bullocke before the LORD.

5 And the Priest that is anointed shall take of the bullockes blood, and bring it to the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

6 And the Priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinckle of the blood seuen times before the LORD, before the vaile of the Sanctuarie.

7 And the Priest shall put some of the blood vpon the hornes of the Altar of sweet incense before the LORD, which *is* in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall powre * all the blood of the bullocke at the bottome of the Altar of the burnt-offering, which *is* at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

* Chap. 5.9

8 And he shall take off from it all the fat of the bullocke for the sinoffering: the fat that couereth the inwards, & all the fat that is vpon & inwards.

9 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* vpon them, which *is* by the flanckes, and the caule above the liuer, with the kidneyes it shall he take away,

10 As it was taken off from the bullocke of the sacrifice of the peace offerings: and the Priest shall burne them vpon the Altar of the burnt offering.

11 * And the skinne of the bullocke, and all his flesh, with his head and with his legs, and his inwards and his dung,

* Exod. 29.14. num. 19.5

12 Euen the whole bullocke shall he carry foorth † without the campe vnto a cleane place, where the ashes are powred out, and * burne him on the wood with fire: † where the ashes are powred out shall he be burnt.

† Hebr. Without the campe. * Hebr. 13.11.

13 ¶ And if the whole Congregation of Israel sin through ignorance, * and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they haue done somewhat against any of the Commandements of the LORD, concerning things which should not bee done, and are guiltie:

† Heb. at the powring out of the ashes. * Chap. 3.3,34.

14 When the sin which they haue sinned against it, is knowne, then the Congregation shall offer a young bullocke for the sinne, and bring him before the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

15 And the Elders of the Congregation shall lay their hands vpon the head of the bullocke, before the LORD: and the bullocke shall be killed before the LORD.

16 And the Priest that is anointed, shall bring of the bullockes blood to the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

17 And the Priest shall dip his finger in some of the blood, and sprinckle it seuen times before the LORD, *euen* before the vaile.

18 And he shall put some of the blood vpon the hornes of the Altar, which *is* before the LORD, that *is* in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall powre out all the blood at the bottome of the Altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

19 And hee shall take all his fat from him, and burne it vpon the Altar.

20 And he shall doe with the bullocke as he did with the bullocke for a sin offering, so shall he doe with this: and the Priest shall make an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiuen them.

21 And he shall carry forth the bullocke without the campe, and burne him as hee burned the first bullocke: it *is* a sin offering for the Congregation.

22 ¶ When a ruler hath sinned and done somewhat through ignorance against any of the Commandements of the LORD his God, concerning things which should not be done, and is guiltie:

23 Or if his sinne wherein hee hath sinned, come to his knowledge: hee shall bring his offering, a kid of the goates, a male without blemish.

24 And he shall lay his hand vpon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it *is* a sin offering.

25 And the Priest shall take of the blood of the sin offring with his finger, & put *it* vpon the hornes of the Altar of burnt offring, & shall powre out the blood at the bottome of the Altar of burnt offring.

26 And he shall burne all his fat vpon the Altar, as the fat of the sacrifice of peace offrings: and the Priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his sin, and it shall be forgiuen him.

27 ¶ And if † any one of the † common people sin through ignorance, while hee doth some thing against any of the Commandements of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and be guilty:

28 Or if his sin which he hath sinned come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goates, a female without blemish, for his sinne which he hath sinned.

29 And he shall lay his hand vpon the head of the sinne offering, and slay the sinne offering in the place of the burnt offering.

30 And the Priest shall take of the blood therof with his finger, and put it vpon the hornes of the Altar of burnt offering, and shall powre out all the blood thereof at the bottome of the Altar.

31 And * he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace offrings: and the Priest shall burne *it* vpon the Altar, for a * sweet sauour vnto the LORD, and the Priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiuen him.

32 And if he bring a lambe for a sinne offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.

33 And hee shall lay his hand vpon the head of the sinne offering, and slay it for a sinne offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering.

34 And the Priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger: and put *it* vpon the hornes of the Altar of burnt offering, & shall powre out all § blood thereof at the bottome of the Altar.

35 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the lambe is taken away from the sacrifice of the peace offerings: and the Priest shall burne them vpon the Altar, according to the offerings made by fire vnto the LORD, and the Priest shall make an atonement for his sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiuen him.

CHAP. V.

1 *He that sinneth in concealing his knowledge, 3 or in touching an vncleane thing, 4 or in making oath. 6 His trespasse offering of the flocke, 7 of foules, 11 or of flowre. 14 The trespasse of sundry sacrilledge, 17 and in sinnes of ignorance.*

AND if a soule sinne, and heare the voice of swearing, and is a witnesse, whether he haue seene or knowne of *it*, if he doe not vtter it, then he shall beare his iniquity.

2 Or if a soule touch any vncleane thing, whether it be a carcasse of an vncleane beast, or a carcasse of vncleane cattell, or the carcasse of vncleane creeping things, and if it be hidden from him, he also shall be vncleane, and guiltie:

3 Or if he touch the vncleannesse of man, whatsoeuer vncleannesse it be that a man shall be defiled withall; and *it* be hid from him, when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guiltie.

4 Or if a soule sweare, pronouncing with his lips to doe euill, or to doe good, whatsoeuer it be that

shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid him, when he knoweth of it, then he shall be in one of these.

And it shall be when he shall be guiltie in one ese things, that he shall confesse that he hath d in that thing.

And he shall bring his tresp asse offering vnto LORD for his sinne which he hath sinned, a fe- from the flocke, a lambe or a kid of the goats, sinne offering: and the Priest shall make an ement for him concerning his sinne.

And if † he be not able to bring a lambe, then al bring for his tresp asse which he hath com- ted two turtle doues, or two yong pigeons vnto LORD; one for a sinne offering, and the other burnt offering.

And he shall bring them vnto the Priest, who fer first that which is for the sinne offering first, wring off his head from his necke, but shall linde it asunder.

And hee shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin ering vpon the side of the Altar; and the rest of blood shall be wrung out at the bottome of Altar: it is a sinne offering.

And he shall offer the second for a burnt offer- according to the ‖ maner: and the Priest shall an atonement for him for his sinne which he mitted, and it shall be forgiuen him.

¶ But if hee be not able to bring two turtle , or two yong pigeons, then he that sinned bring for his offering the tenth part of an of fine floure for a sinne offering: hee shall oyle vpon it, neither shall hee put any fran- se thereon: for it is a sinne offering.

Then shall he bring it to the Priest, and the shall take his handfull of it, * euen a memo- thereof, and burne it on the Altar, * according offerings made by fire vnto the LORD: it is offering.

And the Priest shall make an atonement for touching his sinne, that he hath sinned in these, and it shall be forgiuen him: and the shall be the Priests, as a meat offering.

¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

If a soule commit a tresp asse, and sin through ance in the holy things of the LORD; then he bring for his tresp asse vnto the LORD, a ram tout blemish out of the flockes, with thy esti- by shekels of siluer, after the shekel of the tuary, for a tresp asse offering.

And he shall make amends for the harme that hath done in the holy thing; & shall adde the fift thereto, and giue it vnto the Priest: and the shall make an atonement for him w the ram tresp asse offring, and it shalbe forgiuen him.

¶ And if a * soule sinne and commit any of things which are forbidden to be done by the andements of the LORD, though hee wist it not is he guiltie, and shall beare his iniquity.

And he shall bring a ramme without blemish the flocke, with thy estimation, for a tres- offering vnto the Priest: and the Priest shall an atonement for him concerning his igno- wherein he erred, and wist it not; and it be forgiuen him.

It is a tresp asse offering: hee hath certainely sed against the LORD.

CHAP. VI.

The tresp asse offering for sins done wittingly. 8 The law of the burnt offering. 14 And of the offering. 19 The offering of the consecra- Priest. 24 The law of the sin offering.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 If a soule sinne and commit a tresp asse against the LORD, and lie vnto his neighbor in that which was deliuered him to keepe, or in ‖ fellowshippe, in a thing taken away by † violence, or hath deceiued his neighbour:

3 Or haue found that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and * sweareth falsly: in any of all these that a man doth sinning therein:

4 Then it shall be, because he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which hee tooke violently away, or the thing which hee hath deceitfully gotten, or that which was deliuered him to keepe, or the lost thing which he found:

5 Or all that about which he hath sworn falsly: he shall euen restore it in the principall, and shall adde the fift part more thereto, and giue it vnto him to whom it appertaineth, ‖ in the day of his tresp asse offering.

6 And he shall bring his tresp asse offering vnto the LORD, a ramme without blemish out of the flocke, with thy estimation, for a tresp asse offring vnto the Priest.

7 And the Priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD: and it shall be forgiuen him, for any thing of all that he hath done, in treading a tresp asse therein.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

9 Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This is the law of the burnt offering: (it is the burnt offering, ‖ because of the burning vpon the Altar all night, vnto the morning, and the fire of the Altar shall be burning in it.)

10 And the Priest shall put on his linnen garment and his linnen breeches shall hee put vpon his flesh, and take vp the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the Altar, and he shall put them besides the Altar.

11 And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry foorth the ashes without the campe, vnto a cleane place.

12 And the fire vpon the Altar shall be burning in it: it shall not be put out; and the Priest shall burne wood on it euery morning, and lay the burnt offring in order vpon it, and he shall burne thereon the fat of the peace offrings.

13 The fire shall euer be burning vpon the Altar: it shall neuer goe out.

14 ¶ * And this is the law of the meat offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before the LORD, before the Altar.

15 And hee shall take of it his handfull of the floure of the meat offring, and of the oile thereof, and all the frankincense which is vpon the meat offering, and shall burne it vpon the Altar for a sweet sauour, euen the * memoriall of it vnto the LORD.

16 And the remainder thereof shall Aaron and his sons eat: with vnleauened bread shall it be eaten in the holy place: in the Court of the Tabernacle of the Congregation they shall eate it.

17 It shall not be baken with leauen: I haue giuen it vnto them for their portion of my offrings made by fire: it is most holy, as is the sinne offering, and as the tresp asse offering.

18 All the males among the children of Aaron shall eate of it: It shall be a statute for euer in your generations, concerning the offerings of the LORD made by fire: * euery one that toucheth them shall be holy.

19 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

20 This is the offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer vnto the LORD; in the day when

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Or, in dealing. † Heb. Or, in the day of his being guilty. Heb. the day of trespasing. * Chap. 5.15. Or, for the burning. * Chap. 2.3. * Chap. numb. 15.4. * Chap. 2.10. * Exod. 29.37.

*Exod. 36.36. whenhe is anointed the tenth part of an * Ephah of fine floure for a meat offering perpetuall, halfe of it in the morning, and halfe thereof at night,

21 In a pan it shalbe made with oyle, and when it is baken, thou shalt bring it in: and the baken pieces of the meat offering shalt thou offer for a swete sauour vnto the LORD.

22 And the Priest of his sons that is anointed in his stead shall offer it: It is a statute for euer vnto the LORD, it shall be wholly burnt.

23 For euery meat offering for the Priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.

24 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

25 Speake vnto Aaron and to his sonnes, saying, This is the law of the sinne offering: in the place where the burnt offering is killed, shall the sin offering be killed before the LORD: it is most holy.

26 The Priest that offereth it for sin, shall eate it: in the holy place shall it be eaten, in the Court of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

27 Whatsoeuer shall touch the flesh thereof, shal be holy: and when there is sprinckled of the blood thereof vpon any garment, thou shalt wash that whereon it was sprinckled in the holy place.

28 But the earthen vessell wherein it is sodden, *Chap. 11.33. * shall be broken: and if it be sodden in a brazen pot, it shall be both scoured and rinsed in water.

29 All the males among the Priests shall eate thereof: it is most holy.

*Hebr. 13.11. 30 * And no sinne offering whereof any of the blood is brought into the Tabernacle of the Congregation to reconcile withall in the holy place, shall be eaten, it shall be burnt in the fire.

CHAP. VII.

1 The law of the trespasse offering, 11 and of the peace offerings, 12 whether it be for a thankesgiuing, 16 or a vow, or a free-will offering 22 The fat, 26 and the blood are forbidden. 28 The Priests portion in the peace offrings.

LIkewise this is the law of the trespasse offering: it is most holy.

2 In the place where they kill the burnt offering, shall they kill the trespasse offerings: and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle round about vpon the Altar.

3 And hee shall offer of it all the fat thereof, the rumpe, and the fat that couereth the inwards,

4 And the two kidneys, & the fat that is on them which is by the flankes, and the caule that is aboue the liuer, with the kidneyes, it shall he take away.

5 And the Priest shall burne them vpon the Altar, for an offering made by fire vnto the LORD: it is a trespasse offering.

6 Euery male among the Priests shal eat thereof: it shall be eaten in the holy place: it is most holy.

7 As the sin offering is, so is the trespasse offring: there is one law for them: the Priest that maketh atonement therewith shall haue it.

8 And the Priest that offereth any mans burnt offering, euen the Priest shall haue to himselfe the skin of the burnt offering which he hath offered.

9 And all the meat offring that is baken in the ouen, and all that is dressed in the frying pan, and in the pan shall be the Priests that offereth it.

*Or, on the flat place, or slice.

10 And euery meat offering mingled with oyle, and dry, shall all the sonnes of Aaron haue, one as much as another.

11 And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which he shall offer vnto the LORD.

12 If he offer it for a thankesgiuing, then he shall offer with the sacrifice of thankesgiuing vnleauened cakes mingled with oyle, and vnleauened wafers anointed with oyle, and cakes mingled with oyle of fine floure fryed.

13 Besides the cakes hee shall offer for his offring leauened bread, with the sacrifice of thanksgiuing of his peace offerings,

14 And of it he shall offer one out of the whole oblation for an heaue offering vnto the LORD, and it shall be the Priests that sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings.

15 And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offrings for thankesgiuing shall be eaten the same day that it is offered: he shall not leaue any of it vntill the morning.

16 But if the sacrifice of his offering be a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten.

17 But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire.

18 And if any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, it shal not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed to him that offereth it: it shalbe an abomination, and the soule that eateth of it shall beare his iniquity.

19 And the flesh, that toucheth any vncleane thing, shall not be eaten: it shall be burnt with fire, and as for the flesh, all that be cleane shall eat thereof.

20 But the soule that eateth of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings that pertaine vnto the LORD, * hauing his vncleanesse vpon him, euen that soule shall be cut off from his people.

21 Moreouer the soule that shall touch any vncleane thing, as the vncleannesse of man, or any vncleane beast, or any abominable vncleane thing, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings which pertain vnto the LORD, euen that soule shall be cut off from his people.

22 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

23 Speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, Ye shall eat no manner fat of ox, or of sheepe, or of goat.

24 And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torne with beasts, may be vsed in any other vse: but yee shall in no wise eat of it.

25 For whosoeuer eateth the fat of the beast of which men offer an offring made by fire vnto the LORD, euen the soule that eateth it, shall be cut off from his people.

26 * Moreouer, ye shall eat no manner of blood whether it be of foule or of beast in any of your dwellings.

27 Whatsoeuer soule it be that eateth any manner blood, euen that soule shall be cut off from his people.

28 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

29 Speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, He that offereth the sacrifice of his peace offrings vnto the LORD, shall bring his oblation vnto the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace offrings.

30 His owne hands shall bring the offrings of the LORD, made by fire, the fat with the breast, it he bring, that * the breast may be waued for a wauе offering before the LORD.

31 And the Priest shall burne the fat vpon the Altar: but the breast shall be Aarons and his sons.

32 And the right shoulder shall ye giue vnto the Priest for an heaue offering of the sacrifices of your peace offerings.

33 He among the sonnes of Aaron that offereth the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat, shall haue the right shoulder for his part.

34 For the waue breast, & the heaue shoulder

ten of the children of Israel, from off the sacri-
of their peace offerings, and haue giuen them
Aaron the Priest, and vnto his sons, by a sta-
for euer, from among the children of Israel.

¶ This *is the portion* of the anointing of Aa-
and of the anointing of his sons, out of the offe-
s of the LORD made by fire, in the day when
resented them, to minister vnto the LORD in
Priests office:

Which the LORD commanded to be giuen
n of the children of Israel, in the day that he
nted them, *by a* statute for euer throughout
r generations.

This *is* the law of the burnt offering, of the
t offering, and of the sinne offering, and of the
asse offering, and of the consecrations, and of
sacrifice of the peace offerings:

Which the LORD commanded Moses in
nt Sinai, in the day that he commanded the
dren of Israel to offer their oblations vnto the
D in the wildernesse of Sinai.

CHAP. VIII.

Moses consecrateth Aaron and his sonnes. 14
his sinne offering. 18 *Their burnt offering.* 22
Ram of consecrations. 31 *The place and time*
their consecrations.

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 *Take Aaron and his sons with him, and
garments, and the anointing oile, and a bul-
for the sinne offering, and two rammes, and a
et of vnleauened bread.

And gather thou all the Congregation tege-
vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Con-
gation.

And Moses did as the LORD commanded
, and the assembly was gathered together vnto
doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

And Moses said vnto the Congregation, This is
thing which the LORD commanded to be done.

And Moses brought Aaron and his sonnes, and
shed them with water.

And he put vpon him the coat, and girded
with the girdle, and clothed him with the
e, and put the Ephod vpon him, and he girded
with the curious girdle of the Ephod, and
ed it vnto him therewith.

And he put the breastplate vpon him: also he
t in the breastplate the Vrim & the Thummim.

And he put the mitre vpon his head: also vp-
the mitre, euen vpon his forefront did he put
golden plate, the holy Crowne, as the LORD
manded Moses.

And Moses tooke the anointing oyle, and an-
ted the Tabernacle, and all that was therein,
sanctified them.

And he sprinkled thereof vpon the Altar se-
times, and anointed the Altar: and all his ves-
both the laner and his foot, to sanctifie them.

And he *powred of the anointing oile vpon
ron's head, and anointed him, to sanctifie him.

And Moses brought Aarons sonnes, and put
ts vpon them, and girded them with girdles,
† put bonnets vpon them, as the LORD com-
nded Moses.

*And he brought the bullocke for the sinne
ring, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands
on the head of the bullocke for the sin offering.

And he slew it, and Moses tooke the blood, and
it vpon the hornes of the Altar, round about,
h his finger, and purified the Altar, and powred
blood at the bottome of the Altar, and sancti-
it, to make reconciliation vpon it:

16 And he tooke all the fat that was vpon the in-
wards, & the cawle *about* the liuer, & the two kid-
neys, & their fat, & Moses burnt it vpon the Altar.

17 But the bullocke, and his hide, his flesh, and
his dung, he burnt with fire without the campe, as
the LORD *commanded Moses. *Exod. 29.14.

18 ¶ And he brought the ram for the burnt offe-
ring: and Aaron and his sonnes laid their hands
vpon the head of the ramme.

19 And he killed it, and Moses sprinkled the
blood vpon the Altar round about.

20 And he cut the ramme into pieces, and Moses
burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat.

21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in
water, and Moses burnt the whole ramme vpon the
Altar: It *was* a burnt sacrifice for a sweet sauour,
and an offering made by fire vnto the LORD, as the
LORD commanded Moses.

22 ¶ And *he brought the other ram, the ramme *Exod.
of consecration. And Aaron and his sonnes laid 29.31.
their hands vpon the head of the ramme.

23 And he slew it, and Moses tooke of the blood
of it, and put it vpon the tip of Aarons right eare,
and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, and vpon
the great toe of his right foot.

24 And he brought Aarons sonnes, and Moses put
of the blood vpon the tip of their right eare, and
vpon the thumbes of their right hands, and vpon
the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprin-
kled the blood vpon the Altar round about.

25 And he tooke the fat, and the rumpe, and all
the fat that was vpon the inwards, and the cawle
about the liuer, and the two kidneys and their
fat and the right shoulder.

26 And out of the basket of vnleauened bread,
that *was* before the LORD, he took one vnleauened
cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and
put them on the fat, and vpon the right shoulder.

27 And he put all *vpon Aarons hands, and vp- *Exo. 29.
on his sonnes hands, and waued them for a waue 24, &c.
offering before the LORD.

28 And Moses tooke them from off their hands,
and burnt *them* on the Altar, vpon the burnt offe-
ring: they *were* consecrations for a sweet sauour:
It is an offering made by fire vnto the LORD.

29 And Moses tooke the breast, and waued it for
a waue offring before the LORD: *For* of the ram of
consecration it was Moses *part, as the LORD *Exod.
commanded Moses. 29.26.

30 And Moses tooke of the anointing oile, and
of the blood which was vpon the Altar, and sprink-
led it vpon Aaron, *and* vpon his garments, and vp-
on his sons, and vpon his sons garments with him:
and sanctified Aaron, and his garments, and his sons,
and his sonnes garments with him.

31 ¶ And Moses said vnto Aaron, and to his sons,
Boile the flesh at the doore of the Tabernacle of the
Congregation: and there *eate it with the bread *Exod.
that is in the basket of consecrations, as I comman- 29.32. 4
ded, saying, Aaron and his sonnes shall eate it.

32 And that which remaineth of the flesh and of
the bread, shall ye burne with fire.

33 And ye shall not goe out of the doore of the
Tabernacle of the Congregation in seuen dayes, vn-
till the dayes of your consecration be at an end:
for *seuen dayes shall he consecrate you. *Exod.

34 As he hath done this day, *so* the LORD hath 29.33.
commanded to doe, to make an atonement for you.

35 Therefore shall ye abide at the doore of the
Tabernacle of the Congregation day and night,
seuen dayes, and keepe the charge of the LORD,
that ye die not: for so I am commanded.

36 So Aaron and his ſonnes did all things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moſes.

CHAP. IX.

1 The firſt offrings of Aaron for himſelfe and the people. 8 The ſinne offering. 12 and the burnt offering for himſelfe. 15 The offerings for the people. 23 Moſes and Aaron bleſſe the people. 24 Fire commeth from the Lord vpon the Altar.

AND it came to paſſe on the eight day, that Moſes called Aaron and his ſons, and the Elders of Iſrael.

2 And he ſaid vnto Aaron, * Take thee a yoong calfe for a ſinne offering, and a ramme for a burnt offring without blemiſh, and offer *them* before the LORD. *Exod. 29.1.

3 And vnto the children of Iſrael thou ſhalt ſpeake, ſaying, Take ye a kid of the goats for a ſin offering, and a calfe, and a lambe, both of the firſt yeere without blemiſh for a burnt offering.

4 Alſo a bullocke and a ramme, for peace offerings to ſacrifice before the LORD, and a meat offering mingled with oile: for to day the LORD will appeare vnto you.

5 ¶ And they brought that which Moſes commanded before the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and all the Congregation drew neere and ſtood before the LORD.

6 And Moſes ſaid, This is the thing which the LORD commanded that ye ſhould doe: and the glory of the LORD ſhall appeare vnto you.

7 And Moſes ſaid vnto Aaron, Goe vnto the Altar, and offer thy ſinne offering, and thy burnt offering, and make an atonement for thy ſelfe, and for the people: and offer the offering of the people, and make an atonement for them, as the LORD commanded.

8 ¶ Aaron therfore went vnto the Altar and ſlew the calfe of the ſin offring which *was* for himſelfe.

9 And the ſonnes of Aaron brought the blood vnto him, and he dipt his finger in the blood, and put it vpon the hornes of the Altar, and powred out the blood at the bottome of the Altar.

10 But the fat and the kidneyes, and the cawle *about* the liuer of the ſinne offring he burnt vpon the Altar, as the LORD commanded Moſes.

11 And the fleſh and the hide he burnt with fire, without the campe.

12 And he ſlew the burnt offering, and Aarons ſonnes preſented vnto him the blood, which he ſprinkled round about vpon the Altar.

13 And they preſented the burnt offering vnto him, with the pieces thereof, and the head: and he burnt *them* vpon the Altar.

14 And he did waſh the inwards and the legs, and burnt *them* vpon the burnt offering on the Altar.

15 ¶ And he brought the peoples offering, and tooke the goat which was the ſinne offering for the people, and ſlew it, and offered it for ſin, as the firſt.

16 And he brought the burnt offering, and offered it according to the ‖ manner.

17 And he brought the meat offering, and †tooke an handfull thereof, and burnt it vpon the Altar *beſide the burnt ſacrifice of the morning.

18 He ſlew alſo the bullocke and the ram, for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, which *was* for the people: and Aarons ſons preſented vnto him the blood (which he ſprinkled vpon the Altar round about.)

19 And the fat of the bullocke and of the ram, the rumpe, and that which couereth *the inwards*, and the kidneys, and the cawle *about* the liuer,

20 And they put the fat vpon the breſts, and he burnt the fat vpon the Altar:

21 And the breſts and the right ſhoulder, Aaron waued for a wane offring before the LORD, as Moſes commanded.

22 And Aaron lift vp his hand towards the people and bleſſed them, and came downe from doing of the ſinne offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.

23 And Moſes and Aaron went into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and came out, and bleſſed the people: and the glory of the LORD appeared vnto all the people.

24 And * there came a fire out from before the LORD, and conſumed vpon the Altar the burnt offering, and the fat: which when all the people ſaw, they ſhouted, and fell on their faces.

CHAP. X.

1 Nadab and Abihu for offering of ſtrange fire are burnt by fire. 6 Aaron and his ſonnes are forbidden to mourne for them. 8 The Prieſts are forbidden wine when they are to goe in to the Tabernacle. 12 The law of eating the holy things. 16 Aarons excuſe for tranſgreſſing thereof.

AND * Nadab and Abihu the ſonnes of Aaron, tooke either of them his cenſer, and put fire therein, and put inceuſe thereon, and offered ſtrange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and deuoured them, and they died before the LORD.

3 Then Moſes ſaid vnto Aaron, This is it that the LORD ſpake, ſaying, I will be ſanctified of them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified: and Aaron held his peace.

4 And Moſes called Miſhael and Elzaphan the ſonnes of Vzziel, the vncle of Aaron, and ſaid vnto them, Come neere, carry your brethren from before the Sanctuary out of the campe.

5 So they went neere, and carried them in their coats out of the campe, as Moſes had ſaid.

6 And Moſes ſaid vnto Aaron, and vnto Eleazar and vnto Ithamar his ſonnes, Vncouer not your heads, neither rend your clothes, leſt ye dye, and leſt wrath come vpon all the people: but let your brethren, the whole houſe of Iſrael bewaile the burning which the LORD hath kindled.

7 And ye ſhall not goe out from the dore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, leſt ye dye: for the anointing oile of the LORD is vpon you. And they did according to the word of Moſes.

8 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Aaron, ſaying,

9 Doe not drinke wine nor ſtrong drinke, thou nor thy ſonnes with thee, when ye goe into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, leſt ye dye: *It ſhall be* a ſtatute for euer, throughout your generations,

10 And that ye may put difference betweene holy and vnholy, and betweene vncleane and cleane,

11 And that ye may teach the children of Iſrael all the ſtatutes which the LORD hath ſpoken vnto them by the hand of Moſes.

12 ¶ And Moſes ſpake vnto Aaron and vnto Eleazar and vnto Ithamar his ſonnes that were left, Take the meat offering that remaineth of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and eat it without leauen, beſide the Altar: for it is moſt holy.

13 And ye ſhall eat it in the holy place, becauſe it is thy due, and thy ſonnes due of the ſacrifices of the LORD made by fire: for ſo I am commanded.

14 And * the wane breſt, and heaue ſhoulder ſhall ye eat in a cleane place, thou, and thy ſonnes, and thy daughters with thee: for they be thy due, and thy ſonnes due, which are giuen out of the ſacrifices of peace offerings of the children of Iſrael.

15 The

‖ Or, ordinance. † Hebr. filled his hand out of it. * Exod. 29.28.

The heane ſhoulder and the wane breſt ſhall
bring, with the offrings made by fireof the
to wane it for a waue offring before the LORD:
it ſhall be thine, and thy ſonnes with thee, by
tute for euer, as the LORD hath commanded.
¶ And Moſes diligently ſought the goat of
ſinne offering, and behold, it was burnt: and he
angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the ſonnes
aron, which were left *aliue*, ſaying,
Wherefore haue yee not eaten the ſinne offe-
in the holy place, ſeeing it *is* moſt holy, and
hath giuen it you, to beare the iniquity of the
gregation, to make atonement for them before
LORD?
Behold, the blood of it was not brought in,
in the Holy place: ye ſhould indeed haue ea-
it in the Holy place, * as I commanded.
And Aaron ſaid vnto Moſes, Behold, this day
they offered their ſin offring, and their burnt
ring before the LORD: and ſuch things haue
allen me: and if I had eaten the ſinne offering
day, ſhould it haue beene accepted in the ſight
e LORD?
And when Moſes heard *that* he was content.

CHAP. XI.

*What beaſts may, & and what may not be ea-
9 What fiſhes. 13 What foules. 29 The crea-
things which are vncleane.*

Nd the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, and to Aa-
ron, ſaying vnto them,
Speake vnto the children of Iſrael, ſaying,
eſe are the beaſts which yee ſhall eate among
e beaſts that *are* on the earth:
Whatſoeuer parteth the hoofe, and is clouen
ed, and cheweth cud among the beaſts, that
ye eate.
Neuertheleſſe, theſe ſhall ye not eate of them
chew the cud, or of them that diuide the
t: * the camell, becauſe he cheweth the cud,
diuideth not the hoofe, he is vncleane vnto you.
And the cony, becauſe he cheweth the cud, but
deth not the hoofe, he is vncleane vnto you.
And the hare, becauſe he cheweth the cud, but
deth not the hoofe, he is vncleane vnto you.
And * the ſwine, though he diuide the hoofe,
e clouen footed, yet he cheweth not the cud:
vncleane to you.
Of their fleſh ſhall yee not eat, and their car-
ſhall ye not touch: they are vncleane to you.
¶ Theſe ſhall yee eate of all that are in the
ter: whatſoeuer hath finnes and ſcales in the
ters, in the ſeas, and in the riuers, them ſhall ye
eate.
And all that haue not fins nor ſcales in the
and in the riuers, of all that moue in the wa-
and of any liuing thing which *is* in the wa-
they *ſhall be* an abomination vnto you:
They ſhall be euen an abomination vnto you:
all not eate of their fleſh, but you ſhall haue
carcaſes in abomination.
Whatſoeuer hath no finnes nor ſcales in the
ters, that ſhall be an abomination vnto you.
¶ And theſe are they which yee ſhall haue in
ination, among the foules they ſhall not bee
they *are* an abomination, the Eagle, and the
rage, and the Oſpray,
And the Vulture, and the Kite, after his kind:
Euery Rauen after his kind:
And the Owle, and the night-hawke, and the
ow, and the Hawk after his kind:
And the little Owle, and the Cormorant, and
great Owle,
The Swanne, and the Pelicane, and the
Gier-eagle.
And the Storke, the Heron after her kind, and
the Lapwing, and the Bat.
All foules that creepe, going vpon all foure,
ſhall be an abomination vnto you.
Yet theſe may ye eat, of euery flying creeping
thing that goeth vpon *all* foure, which haue legs
aboue their feet, to leape withall vpon the earth:
Euen theſe, of them yee may eate: the Locuſt
after his kind, and the Bald Locuſt after his kind,
and the Beetle after his kind, and the Grathopper
after his kind:
But all *other* flying creeping things, which
haue foure feet, ſhall be an abomination vnto you.
And for theſe ye ſhall be vncleane: whoſoe-
uer toucheth the carcaſſe of them, ſhall bee vn-
cleane vntill the Euen.
And whoſoeuer beareth ought of the carcaſſe
of them, ſhall waſh his clothes, and be vncleane
vntill the Euen.
The carcaſſes of euery beaſt which diuideth
the hoofe, and is not clouen footed, nor cheweth the
cud, are vncleane vnto you: euery one that toucheth
them, ſhall be vncleane.
And whatſoeuer goeth vpon his pawes, among
all maner of beaſts, that goe on *all* foure, thoſe *are*
vncleane vnto you: whoſo toucheth their carkaſſe,
ſhall be vncleane vntill the Euen.
And he that beareth the carcaſſe of them, ſhall
waſh his clothes, and be vncleane vntill the Euen:
they are vncleane vnto you.
¶ Theſe alſo ſhall be vncleane vnto you, among
the creeping things that creepe vpon the earth:
the Weaſell, and the Mouſe, and the Tortois after
his kinde,
And the Ferret, and the Camelion, and the
Lyzard, and the Smile, and the Molle.
Theſe are vncleane to you among all that
creepe: whoſoeuer doeth touch them when they
be dead, ſhall be vncleane vntill the Euen.
And vpon whatſoeuer any of them, when they
are dead, doth fall, it ſhall be vncleane, whether *it be*
any veſſell of wood, or raiment, or skin, or ſacke,
whatſoeuer veſſell *it be*, wherein any worke is done
it muſt be put into water, and it ſhall be vncleane
vntill the Euen: ſo it ſhall be cleanſed.
And euery earthen veſſell, whereinto any of
them falleth, whatſoeuer *is* in it ſhall be vncleane,
and * ye ſhall breake it. * Chap. 6.28.
Of all meat which may be eaten, that on which
ſuch water commeth, ſhall be vncleane: And all
drinke that may be drunke in euery *ſuch* veſſell,
ſhall be vncleane.
And euery thing whereupon any part of their
carcaſſe falleth, ſhall be vncleane, *whether it be* ouen,
or ranges for pots, they ſhall be broken downe: for
they are vncleane, and ſhall be vncleane vnto you.
Neuertheleſſe, a fountaine, or pit, † *wherein*
there is plenty of water, ſhall be cleane: but that † Hebr. a gathering together of water.
which toucheth their carcaſſe ſhall be vncleane.
And if any part of their carcaſſe fall vpon
any ſowing ſeed which is to be ſowne, it ſhall be
cleane.
But if any water be put vpon the ſeed, and any
part of their carcaſſe fall thereon, it ſhall be vn-
cleane vnto you.
And if any beaſt of which ye may eate, die, he
that toucheth the carcaſſe thereof, ſhall be vncleane
vntill the Euen.
And he that eateth of the carcaſſe of it ſhall
waſh his clothes, and be vncleane vntill the Euen:

he also that beareth the carcasse of it, shall wash his clothes, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.

41 And euery creeping thing that creepeth vpon the earth, shall be an abomination: it shall not be eaten.

42 Whatsoeuer goeth vpon the belly, and whatsoeuer goeth vpon *all* foure, or whatsoeuer † hath more feet among all creeping things that creepe vpon the earth, them ye shall not eate, for they are an abomination.

† Hebr. doeth multiply feet.

43 Ye shall not make your † selues abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make your selues vncleane with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

† Hebr. soules.

44 For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctifie your selues, and * ye shall be holy, for I *am* holy: neither shall ye defile your selues with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth vpon the earth.

* Chap. 19.2. and 20.7. 1. pet. 1.15.

45 For I *am* the LORD that bringeth you vp out of the land of Egypt to be your God: yee shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

46 This *is* the Law of the beasts, and of the foule, and of euery liuing creature that moueth in the waters, and of euery creature that creepeth vpon the earth:

47 To make a difference betweene the vncleane and the cleane, and betweene the beast that may be eaten, and the beast that may not be eaten.

CHAP. XII.

1 *The purification of women after child birth.* 6 *Her offerings for her purifying.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, If a * woman haue conceiued seed, and borne a man child, then she shall be vncleane seuen dayes: according to the dayes of the separation for her infirmity, shall she be vncleane.

* Chap. 15.19.

3 And in the * eighth day, the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

* Luke 2.21. Ioh. 7. 22.

4 And shee shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty dayes: shee shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the Sanctuary vntill the dayes of her purifying bee fulfilled.

5 But if she beare a maid child, then shee shall be vncleane two weekes, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and sixe dayes.

6 And when the dayes of her purifying are fulfilled for a sonne, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lambe of the † first yeere for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtle doue for a sin offering, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation vnto the Priest:

† Hebr. sonne of his yeere.

7 Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for her, and shee shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This is the Law for her that hath borne a male or female.

* Luke 2.24. † Hebr. her hand find not sufficiency of.

8 * And if † she be not able to bring a lambe, then she shall bring two turtles, and two young pigeons, the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sinne offering, and the Priest shall make an atonement for her, & she shall be cleane.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *The lawes and tokens whereby the Priest is to be guided in discerning the leprosie.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses and Aaron, saying,

2 When a man shall haue in the skin of his flesh a ‖ rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh, like the plague of leprosie, then he

‖ Or, swelling,

shall be brought vnto Aaron the Priest, or vnto one of his sonnes the Priests.

3 And the Priest shall looke on the plague in the skin of the flesh, and when the haire in the plague is turned white, and the plague in sight be deeper then the skin of his flesh, it *is* a plague of leprosie: and the Priest shall looke on him, and pronounce him vncleane.

4 If the bright spot be white in the skin of his flesh, and in sight be not deeper then the skin, & the haire thereof be not turned white, then the Priest shall shut vp *him that hath* the plague seuen dayes.

5 And the Priest shall looke on him the seuenth day: and behold, if the plague in his sight be at a stay, *and* the plague spread not in the skin, then the Priest shall shut him vp seuen dayes more.

6 And the Priest shall looke on him againe the seuenth day: and behold, if the plague be somewhat darke, and the plague spread not in the skin, the Priest shall pronounce him cleane: it *is* but a scab: and he shall wash his clothes and be cleane.

7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin after that he hath been seene of the Priest, for his cleansing, he shall be seene of the Priest againe.

8 And if the Priest see, that behold the scab spreadeth in the skinne, then the Priest shall pronounce him vncleane: it *is* a leprosie.

9 ¶ When the plague of leprosie is in a man, then he shall be brought vnto the Priest;

10 And the Priest shall see him, and behold, if the rising *be* white in the skin, and it haue turned the haire white, and there be † quicke raw flesh in the rising:

11 It is an old leprosie in the skin of his flesh, and the Priest shall pronounce him vncleane, and shall not shut him vp: for he is vncleane.

12 And if a leprosie breake out abroad in the skin, and the leprosie couer all the skin of him that *hath* the plague, from his head euen to his foote, wheresoeuer the Priest looketh:

13 Then the Priest shall consider: and behold, if the leprosie haue couered all his flesh, he shall pronounce *him* cleane *that hath* the plague: it is all turned white: he *is* cleane.

14 But when raw flesh appeareth in him, he shall be vncleane.

15 And the Priest shal see the raw flesh, and pronounce him to be vncleane: for the raw flesh is vncleane: it is a leprosie.

16 Or if the raw flesh turne againe, and be changed vnto white, he shall come vnto the Priest;

17 And the Priest shall see him: and behold, if the plague be turned into white, then the Priest shall pronounce *him* cleane *that hath* the plague: he *is* cleane.

18 ¶ The flesh also, in which, euen in the skin thereof was a bile, and is healed;

19 And in the place of the bile there be a white rising, or a bright spot white, and somewhat reddish, and it be shewed to the Priest:

20 And if when the Priest seeth it, behold, it be in sight lower then the skin, & the haire thereof turned white, the Priest shal pronounce him vncleane: it is a plague of leprosie broken out of the bile.

21 But if the Priest looke on it, and behold, there be no white haires therein, and if it be not lower then the skinne, but be somewhat darke, then the Priest shall shut him vp seuen dayes.

22 And if it spread much abroad in the skin, then the Priest shall pronounce him vncleane: it *is* a plague.

23 But if the bright spot stay in his place, and

d not, it *is* a burning bile, and the Prieſt ſhall
nce him cleane.

¶ Or if there be any fleſh in the ſkin, whereof
is a † hot burning, and the quicke fleſh that
rth haue a white bright ſpot, ſomewhat red-
or whites:

Then the Prieſt ſhall looke vpon it: and be-
, if the haire in the bright ſpot be turned
te, and it be in ſight deeper then the ſkin, it *is*
roſie broken out of the burning: wherefore
Prieſt ſhall pronounce him vncleane: it *is* the
ge of le roſie.

But if the Prieſt looke on it, and behold, there
white haire in the bright ſpot, and it be no
r then the *other* ſkin, but be ſomewhat darke,
the Prieſt ſhall ſhut him vp ſeuen dayes.

And the Prieſt ſhall looke vpon him the ſe-
h day: and if it be ſpread much abroad in the
then the Prieſt ſhall pronounce him vncleane:
the plague of leproſie.

And if the bright ſpot ſtay in his place, *and*
d not in the ſkin, but it be ſomewhat darke,
a riſing of the burning, and the Prieſt ſhall
nce him cleane: for it is an inflammation of
burning.

¶ If a man or woman hath a plague vpon the
or the beard,

Then the Prieſt ſhall ſee the plague, and be-
, if it be in ſight deeper then the ſkin, *and*
re be in it a yellow thin haire, then the Prieſt
pronounce him vncleane: it *is* a dry ſcall, *even*
roſie vpon the head, or beard.

And if the Prieſt looke on the plague of the
and behold, it be not in ſight deeper then the
, and that there is no blacke haire in it: then
Prieſt ſhall ſhut vp *him that hath* the plague
ſcall ſeuen dayes.

And in the ſeuenth day the Prieſt ſhall looke
e plague: and behold, if the ſcall ſpread not,
there be in it no yellow haire, and the ſcall be
n ſight deeper then the ſkin:

He ſhall be ſhauen: but the ſcall ſhall he not
t: and the Prieſt ſhall ſhut vp *him that hath*
ll ſeuen dayes more.

And in the ſeuenth day the Prieſt ſhall looke on
ll: and behold, if the ſcall be not ſpread in
kin, nor be in ſight deeper then the ſkin, then
rieſt ſhall pronounce him cleane: and he ſhall
his clothes and be cleane.

But if the ſcall ſpread much in the ſkin after
eanſing,

Then the Prieſt ſhall looke on him, and be-
if the ſcall be ſpread in the ſkin, the Prieſt
not ſeeke for yellow haire: he is vncleane.

But if the ſcall be in his ſight at a ſtay: and
there is blacke haire growne vp therein: the
s healed, hee *is* cleane, and the Prieſt ſhall
nce him cleane.

¶ If a man alſo, or a woman, haue in the ſkin
ir fleſh bright ſpots, *euen* white bright ſpots,
Then the Prieſt ſhall looke: and behold, if
right ſpots in the ſkin of their fleſh be dar-
white, it *is* a freckled ſpot that groweth in
kin: he *is* cleane.

And the man whoſe † haire is fallen off his
de is bald, *yet is* he cleane.

And he that hath his haire fallen off from the
of his head toward his face, he is fore-bead-
yet is he cleane.

And if there be in the bald head, or bald fore-
a white reddiſh ſore, it *is* a leproſie ſprung vp
bald head, or his bald forehead.

43 Then the Prieſt ſhall looke vpon it: and behold, if the riſing of the ſore be white reddiſh in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the leproſie appeareth in the ſkin of the fleſh.

44 He *is* a leprous man, he *is* vncleane: the Prieſt ſhall pronounce him vtterly vncleane: his plague *is* in his head.

45 And the leper in whom the plague *is*, his clothes ſhall be rent, and his head bare, and he ſhall put a couering vpon his vpper lippe, and ſhall cry, Vncleane, vncleane.

46 All the dayes wherein the plague ſhall be in him, he ſhalbe defiled, he *is* vncleane, he ſhall dwell alone, *without the campe ſhall* his habitation *be*.

47 ¶ The garment alſo that the plague of leproſie *is* in, whether it be a wollen garment, or a linnen garment,

48 Whether it be in the warpe, or woofe of linnen or of wollen, whether in a ſkinne, or in any † thing made of ſkinne:

49 And if the plague be greeniſh or reddiſh in the garment or in the ſkin, either in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in any † thing of ſkin, it is a plague of leproſie, and ſhall be ſhewed vnto the Prieſt.

50 And the Prieſt ſhall looke vpon the plague, and ſhut vp *it that hath* the plague ſeuen dayes:

51 And he ſhall looke on the plague on the ſeuenth day: if the plague be ſpread in the garment, either in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in a ſkin, *or* in any worke that is made of ſkin, the plague *is* a fretting leproſie, it *is* vncleane.

52 He ſhall therefore burne that garment; whether warpe, or woofe, in wollen, or in linnen, or any thing of ſkin, wherein the plague *is*: for it *is* a fretting leproſie, it ſhalbe burnt in the fire.

53 And if the Prieſt ſhall looke, and behold, the plague be not ſpread in the garment, either in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in any thing of ſkinne:

54 Then the Prieſt ſhall command that they waſh the thing wherein the plague is, and he ſhall ſhut it vp ſeuen dayes more.

55 And the Prieſt ſhal looke on the plague after that it *is* waſhed: & behold, if the plague haue not changed his colour, and the plague be not ſpread, it is vncleane, thou ſhalt burne it in the fire, it *is* fret inward, whether it be † bare within, or without.

56 And if the Prieſt looke, and behold, the plague be ſomewhat darke after the waſhing of it, then he ſhall rend it out of the garment, or out of the ſkin, or out of the warpe, or out of the woofe.

57 And if it appeare ſtill in the garment, either in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in any thing of ſkin, it *is* a ſpreading *plague*, thou ſhalt burne that wherein the plague *is* with fire.

58 And the garment, either warpe, or woofe, or whatſoeuer thing of ſkinne it *be*, which thou ſhalt waſh, if the plague be departed from them, then it ſhalbe waſhed the ſecond time, and *ſhall be* cleane.

59 This *is* the law of the plague of leproſie, in a garment of wollen, or linnen, either in the warpe, or woofe, or any thing of ſkinnes, to pronounce it cleane, or to pronounce it vncleane.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 The rites and ſacrifices in cleanſing of the leper. 33 The ſignes of leproſie in an houſe. 43 The cleanſing of that houſe.

AND the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,

2 This ſhall be the law of the leper, in the day of his cleanſing: hee * ſhall be brought vnto the Prieſt:

3 And the Prieſt ſhall goe forth out of the campe, and the Prieſt ſhall looke, and behold, if

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* Numbr. 5.2. 2. kings 15.5.

† *Hebr. worke of.*

† *Hebr. veſſell or inſtrument.*

† *Hebr. it be bald in the head thereof, or in the fore-head thereof.*

* Mat. 8.4 marc. 1.40 luke 5.12.

the plague of leprosie bee healed in the leper,

4 Then shall the Priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed, two ‖ birds aliue, and cleane, and Cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssope.

‖ Or, sparrowes.

5 And the Priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessell, ouer running water.

6 As for the liuing bird, hee shall take it, & the Cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssope, and shall dip them, and the liuing bird in the blood of the bird that was killed ouer the running water.

7 And hee shall sprinkle vpon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosie seuen times, and shall pronounce him cleane, and shall let the liuing bird loose † into the open field.

† Hebr. vpon the face of the field.

8 And hee that is to be cleansed, shall wash his clothes, and shaue off all his haire, & wash himselfe in water, that hee may be cleane: And after that hee shall come into the campe, and shall tarrie abroad out of his tent seuen dayes.

9 But it shall be on the seuenth day, that he shall shaue all his haire off his head, and his beard, and his eye-browes, euen all his haire hee shall shaue off: And hee shall wash his clothes, also he shall wash his flesh in water, & he shall be cleane.

10 And on the eight day, he shall take two hee lambes without blemish, and one ewe lambe of † the first yeere without blemish, and three tenth deales of fine flour for a meate offering mingled with oyle, and one log of oyle.

† Heb. the daughter of her yeere.

11 And the Priest that maketh *him* cleane, shall present the man that is to be made cleane, and those things before the LORD, at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation:

12 And the Priest shall take one hee lambe, and offer him for a trespasse offering, and the log of oyle, and * waue them for a waue offering before the LORD.

* Exod. 29.24.

13 And he shall slay the lambe in the place where he shall kill the sinoffering, and the burnt offering in the holy place: for * as the sinne offering is the Priests, so is the trespasse offering: it *is* most holy.

* Chap. 7.7.

14 And the Priest shall take some of the blood of the trespasse offering, and the Priest shall put it vpon the tip of the right eare of him that is to be cleansed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, and vpon the great toe of his right foot.

15 And the Priest shall take some of the log of oyle, and powre it into the palme of his owne left hand.

16 And the Priest shall dip his right finger in the oyle that is in his left hand, & shall sprinkle of the oyle with his finger seuen times before the LORD.

17 And of the rest of the oyle that *is* in his hand, shall the Priest put vpon the tip of the right eare of him that is to be cleansed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, & vpon the great toe of his right foot, vpon the blood of the trespasse offering.

18 And the remnant of the oyle that is in the Priests hand, he shall powre vpon the head of him that is to be cleansed: and the Priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD.

19 And the Priest shall offer the sin offering, and make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his vncleannesse, and afterward he shall kill the burnt offering.

20 And the Priest shall offer the burnt offering, and the meate offering vpon the Altar: and the Priest shall make an atonement for him, and hee shall be cleane.

† Hebr. his hand vnable

21 And if he be poore, and † cannot get so much, then he shall take one lambe, for a trespasse offering † to be waued, to make an atonement for him, & one tenth deale of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a meat offering, and a log of oyle,

22 And two turtle doues, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get: and the one shall be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.

23 And he shal bring them on the eight day for his cleansing vnto the Priest, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation before the LORD.

24 And the Priest shall take the lambe of the trespasse offering, and the log of oyle, and the Priest shall waue them for a waue offering, before the LORD.

25 And hee shall kill the lambe of the trespasse offering, and the Priest shall take some of the blood of the trespasse offering, and put it vpon the tip of the right eare of him that is to be cleansed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, and vpon the great toe of his right foot.

26 And the Priest shall powre of the oyle into the palme of his owne left hand.

27 And the Priest shall sprinkle with his right finger some of the oyle that is in his left hand, seuen times before the LORD.

28 And the Priest shall put of the oyle that is in his hand, vpon the tip of the right eare of him that is to be cleansed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, and vpon the great toe of his right foot, vpon the place of the blood of the trespasse offering.

29 And the rest of the oyle that is in the Priests hand, he shall put vpon the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make an atonement for him before the LORD.

30 And he shall offer the one of the turtle doues, or of the yong pigeons, such as he can get:

31 Euen such as hee is able to get, the one for a sinne offering, and the other for a burnt offering, with the meat offering. And the Priest shall make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed before the LORD.

32 This *is* the law of him in whom *is* the plague of leprosie, whose hand is not able to get that which pertaineth to his cleansing.

33 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, and vnto Aaron, saying,

34 When ye be come into the land of Canaan, which I giue to you for a possession, and I put the plague of leprosie in a house of the land of your possession;

35 And he that owneth the house shall come, and tell the Priest, saying, It seemeth to me there is as it were, a plague in the house:

36 Then the Priest shall command that they empty the house, before the Priest goe in to see the plague, that all that is in the house be not made vncleane: and afterward the Priest shall goe in to see the house.

37 And he shall looke on the plague: and behold, if the plague be in the walles of the house with hollow strakes, greenish, or reddish, which in sight are lo wer then the wall;

38 Then the Priest shall goe out of the house to the doore of the house, and shut vp the house seuen dayes.

39 And the Priest shall come again the seuenth day, and shall looke: and behold, if the plague be spread in the walles of the house,

40 Then the Priest shall command that they take away the stones in which the plague *is*, & they shall cast them into an vncleane place without the city.

41 And hee shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall powre out

…ft that they scrape off, without the city into an
…cleane place.
42 And they shall take other stones, and put *them*
…the place of those stones, and he shall take other
…orter, and shall plaister the house.
43 And if the plague come againe, and breake
…t in the house, after that he hath taken away the
…nes, and after hee hath scraped the house, and
…ter it is plaistered;
44 Then the Priest shall come and looke, and be-
…hold, *if* the plague bee spread in the house, it *is* a
…etting leprosie in the house: it *is* vncleane.
45 And hee shall breake downe the house, the
…nes of it, and the timber thereof, and all the
…orter of the house: and he shall cary them forth
…t of the city into an vncleane place.
46 Moreouer, hee that goeth into the house, all
…e while that it is shut vp, shalbe vncleane vntill
…e Euen.
47 And he that lieth in the house, shall wash his
…ment: and he that eateth in the house, shall wash
…s clothes.
48 And if the Priest † shall come in, and looke
…on it, and behold, the plague hath not spread in
…e house, after the house was plaistered: then the
…iest shall pronounce the house cleane, because the
…gue is healed.
49 And hee shall take to cleanse the house, two
…rds, and Cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssope.
50 And hee shall kill the one of the birds in an
…then vessell, ouer running water.
51 And hee shall take the Cedar wood, and the
…ssope, and the scarlet, and the liuing bird, and dip
…m in the blood of the slaine bird, and in the
…ning water, and sprinkle the house seuen times.
52 And he shall cleanse the house with the blood
…e bird, and with the running water, and with
…liuing bird, and with the Cedar wood, and
…h the hyssope, and with the scarlet.
53 But he shall let goe the liuing bird out of the
…city into the open fields, and make an atonement
…e house: and it shalbe cleane.
54 This *is* the Law for all manner plague of
…osie and * skall.
55 And for the leprosie of a garment, and of an
…se;
56 And for a rising, and for a scab, and for a
…ht spot:
57 To teach † when *it is* vncleane, and when *it is*
…e: this *is* the Law of Leprosie.

CHAP. XV.

The vncleanesse of men in their issues. 13 *The cleansing of them.* 19 *The vncleanesse of women in their issues.* 28 *Their cleansing.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, and to Aaron, saying,
2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When any man hath a ‖ running issue out of his flesh, because of his issue he *is* vncleane.
3 And this shalbe his vncleanesse in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh bee stopped from his issue, it *is* his vncleanesse.
4 Euery bed whereon hee lieth, that hath the issue is vncleane: and euery † thing whereon hee sitteth, shalbe vncleane.
5 And whosoeuer toucheth his bed, shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
6 And hee that sitteth on *any* thing whereon he that hath the issue, shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
7 And hee that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue, shal wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
8 And if he that hath the issue, spit vpon him that is cleane, then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
9 And what saddle soeuer hee rideth vpon that hath the issue shalbe vncleane.
10 And whosoeuer toucheth any thing that was vnder him, shalbe vncleane vntill the Euen: And hee that beareth any of those things, shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and bee vncleane vntill the Euen.
11 And whomsoeuer hee toucheth that hath the issue, (and hath not rinsed his hands in water) he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
12 And the * vessell of earth that hee toucheth, which hath the issue, shall bee broken: and euery vessell of wood shalbe rinsed in water. * Chap. 6.28.
13 And when he that hath an issue, is cleansed of his issue, then hee shall number to himselfe seuen dayes for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shalbe cleane.
14 And on the eight day he shal take to him two turtle doues, or two yong pigions, and come before the LORD, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and giue them vnto the Priest.
15 And the Priest shall offer them, the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and the Priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD for his issue.
16 And if any mans seed of copulation goe out from him, then he shal wash all his flesh in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
17 And euery garment, and euery skin whereon is the seed of copulation, shall bee washed with water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
18 The woman also with whom the man shall lie with seed of copulation, they shalboth bathe *themselues* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
19 ¶ And if a woman haue an issue, *and* her issue in her flesh be blood, shee shalbe † put apart seuen dayes: and whosoeuer toucheth her, shall bee vncleane vntill the Euen. † Heb. in her separation.
20 And euery thing that shee lieth vpon in her separation, shalbe vncleane: euery thing also that she sitteth vpon, shalbe vncleane.
21 And whosoeuer toucheth her bed, shall wash his clothes and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
22 And whosoeuer toucheth any thing that shee sate vpon, shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.
23 And if it be on *her* bed, or on any thing whereon she sitteth, when hee toucheth it, hee shalbe vncleane vntill the Euen.
24 And if any man lie with her at all, and her flowres be vpon him, he shalbe vncleane seuen dayes: and all the bed whereon he lieth shalbe vncleane.
25 And if a woman haue an issue of her blood many dayes out of the time of her separation, or if it runne beyond the time of her separation, all the dayes of the issue of her vncleanesse, shall bee as the dayes of her separation: she shalbe vncleane.
26 Euery bed whereon shee lieth all the dayes of her issue, shall be vnto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoeuer shee sitteth vpon, shalbe vncleane, as the vncleanesse of her separation.
27 And whosoeuer toucheth those things, shalbe vncleane, and shal wash his clothes, and bathe *himselfe* in water, and be vncleane vntill the Euen.

28 But if shee be cleansed of her issue, then shee shall number vnto her selfe seuen dayes: and after that she shalbe cleane.

29 And on the eight day she shall take vnto her two turtles, or two young pigeons, and bring them vnto the Priest, to the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

30 And the Priest shall offer the one for a sinne offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and the Priest shall make an atonement for her before the LORD, for the issue of her vncleannesse.

31 Thus shall yee separate the children of Israel from their vncleannesse, that they die not in their vncleannesse, when they defile my Tabernacle that is among them.

32 This is the Law of him that hath an issue, and *of him* whose seed goeth from him, and is defiled therewith;

33 And of her that is sicke of her flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, & of the woman, and of him that lieth with her which is vncleane.

CHAP. XVI.

1 How the high Priest must enter into the Holy place. 11 The sinne offering for himselfe. 15 The sin offering for the people. 20 The Scape goat. 29 The secretly feast of the expiations.

*Chap. 10.1. AND the LORD * spake vnto Moses, after the death of the two sonnes of Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died.

2 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Speake vnto Aaron thy brother, that he * come not at all times *Exod. 30.10. Heb.9.7. into the holy place within the Vaile, before the Mercy-seat, which *is* vpon the Arke, that he die not: for I will appeare in the cloud vpon ‖ Mercy-seat.

3 Thus shall Aaron come into the Holy place; with a young bullocke for a sinne offering, and a ramme for a burnt offering.

4 Hee shall put on the holy linnen coat, and hee shall haue the linnen breeches vpon his flesh, and shalbe girded with a linnen girdle, and with the linnen Mitre shall hee be attired. These *are* holy garments: therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and so put them on.

5 And he shall take of the Congregation of the children of Israel, two kids of the goats for a sinne offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

6 And Aaron shall offer his bullocke of the sinne *Heb.9.7 offering, which is for himselfe, and * make an atonement for himselfe, and for his house.

7 And he shall take the two goates, and present them before the LORD at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

8 And Aaron shall cast lots vpon the two goates: one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the † Scape-goat.

†*Hebr.* Azazel. 9 And Aaron shal bring the goat vpon which the LORDS lot † fell, and offer him for a sinne offering.

†*Hebr.* was vp. 10 But the goat on which the lot fell to bee the Scape-goat, shall bee presented aliue before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, and to let him goe for a Scape-goat into the wildernesse.

11 And Aaron shall bring the bullocke of the sinne offering, which is for himselfe, and shall make an atonement for himselfe: and for his house, and shall kill the bullocke of the sinne offering which *is* for himselfe.

12 And hee shall take a censer full of burning coales of fire from off the Altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring *it* within the Vaile.

13 And he shall put the incense vpon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may couer the Mercy-seat that *is* vpon the Testimony, that he die not.

14 And *hee shall take of the blood of the bullocke, & *sprinkle it* with his finger vpon the face of the Mercy-seat Eastward: & before the Mercy-seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seuen times.

15 ¶ Then shall hee kill the goat of the sinne offering that *is* for the people, and bring his blood within the Vaile, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullocke, and sprinkle it vpon the Mercy-seat, and before the Mercy-seat.

16 And he shall make an atonement for the Holy place, because of the vncleannesse of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions, in all their sinnes: and so shall he do for the Tabernacle of the Congregation that † remaineth among them in the midst of their vncleannesse.

17 * And there shalbe no man in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, when hee goeth in to make atonement in the holy place, vntil he come out, and haue made an atonement for himselfe, and for his household, and for all the Congregation of Israel.

18 And hee shall goe out vnto the Altar that is before the LORD, and make an atonement for it, and shall take of the blood of the bullocke, and of the blood of the goat, and put *it* vpon the hornes of the Altar round about.

19 And hee shall sprinkle of the blood vpon it with his finger seuen times, & cleanse it, & hallow it from the vncleannesse of the children of Israel.

20 ¶ And when he hath made an end of reconciling the Holy place, and the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the Altar, hee shall bring the liue goat.

21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands vpon the head of the liue goat, and confesse ouer him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sinnes, putting them vpon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of † a fit man into the wildernesse.

22 And the goat shall beare vpon him all their iniquities vnto a land † not inhabited: and he shall let goe the goat into the wildernesse.

23 And Aaron shall come into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall put off the linnen garments which he put on, when he went into the Holy place, and shall leaue them there.

24 And he shall wash his flesh with water in the Holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offerings of the people, and make an atonement for himselfe and for the people.

25 And the fat of the sinne offering shall he burne vpon the Altar.

26 And hee that let goe the goat for the Scape goat, shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the campe.

27 And the bullocke for the sinne offering, and the goat for the sinne offering, whose blood was brought in, to make atonement in the holy place, shall one carry forth * without the campe, and they shall burne in the fire their skinnes, and their flesh, and their dung.

28 And hee that burneth them, shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the campe.

29 ¶ And this shall bee a statute for euer vnto you: that in the seuenth moneth, on the tenth day of the moneth, yee shall afflict your soules, and do no worke at all, whether it bee one of your owne countrey or a stranger that soiourneth among you.

30 For on that day shall *the Priest* make an

for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean
all your sinnes before the LORD.
It shall be a Sabbath of rest vnto you, and yee
ll afflict your soules by a statute for ever.
And the Priest whom hee shall anoint, and
om hee shall † consecrate to minister in the
ests office in his fathers stead, shall make the
nement, and shall put on the linnen cloathes,
n the holy garments.
And he shall make an atonement for the holy
nctuary, and he shal make an atonement for the
abernacle of the Congregation, and for the Al-
and he shal make an atonement for the Priests,
for all the people of the Congregation.
And this shall bee an everlasting statute vnto
u, to make an atonement for the children of Is-
, for all their sinnes * once a yeere. And he did
the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAP. XVII.

The blood of all slaine beasts must be offered to God at the doore of the Tabernacle. 7 They may not offer to deuils. 10 All eating of blood is forbidden. 15 and all that dyeth alone, or is torne.

ND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Speake vnto Aaron, and to his sonnes, and
all the children of Israel, and say vnto them;
is the thing which the LORD hath comman-
, saying,
What man soeuer *there be* of the house of Is-
that killeth an oxe, or lambe, or goat in the
p, or that killeth *it* out of the campe,
And bringeth it not vnto the doore of the
abernacle of the Congregation, to offer an offe-
vnto the LORD before the Tabernacle of the
RD, blood shall be imputed vnto that man, hee
hath shed blood, and that man shall be cut off from
among his people:
To the end that the children of Israel may
bring their sacrifices which they offer in the open
eld, even that they may bring them vnto the
RD, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the
ongregation vnto the Priest, and offer them for
peace offerings vnto the LORD.
And the Priest shall sprinkle the blood vpon
the Altar of the LORD *at* the doore of the Taber-
acle of the Congregation, and burne the fat for a
weet sauour vnto the LORD.
And they shall no more offer their sacrifices
vnto deuils, after whom they haue gone a whor-
ing. This shall be a statute for euer vnto them,
even to their generations.
And thou shalt say vnto them, Whatsoeuer
man there be of the house of Israel, or of the stran-
gers which soiourne among you, that offereth a
burnt offering or sacrifice,
And bringeth it not vnto the doore of the Ta-
bernacle of the Congregation, to offer it vnto the
LORD, euen that man shall bee cut off from a-
mong his people.
And whatsoeuer man *there be* of the house
of Israel, or of the strangers that soiourne among
you, which eateth any manner of blood, I will even
set my face against that soule that eateth blood, and
will cut him off from among his people.
For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I
haue given it to you vpon the Altar, to make an
atonement for your soules: for it *is* the blood *that*
maketh an atonement for the soule.
Therefore I said vnto the children of Israel,
No soule of you shall eat blood, neither shall any
stranger that soiourneth among you eate blood.
And whatsoeuer man there be of the children
of Israel, or of the strangers that soiourne among
you, which † hunteth and catcheth any beast or
fowle that may be eaten, he shal euen powre out the
blood thereof, and couer it with dust.
For *it is* the life of all flesh, the blood of it is
for the life thereof: therefore I said vnto the chil-
dren of Israel, * Ye shall eat the blood of no man-
ner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the blood
thereof: whosoeuer eateth it, shall be cut off.
And euery soule that eateth that which *died*
of it selfe, or that which was torne *with beastes*,
whether it be one of your owne country, or a stran-
ger, he shall both wash his clothes, and bathe *him-*
selfe in water, and be vncleane vntill the euen: then
shall he be cleane.
But if he wash *them* not, nor bathe his flesh,
then he shall beare his iniquity.

CHAP. XVIII.

Vnlawfull marriages. 19 Vnlawfull lusts.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
Speake vnto the children of Israel, and
say vnto them, I *am* the LORD your God.
After the doings of the land of Egypt where-
in ye dwelt, shall yee not doe: and after the do-
ings of the land of Canaan whither I bring you
shall ye not doe: neither shall ye walk in their or-
dinances.
Ye shal do my iudgments, & keep mine Ordi-
nances, to walk therein: I *am* the LORD your God.
* Ye shall therefore keepe my Statutes, and
my Iudgements: which if a man doe, he shall liue
in them: I *am* the LORD.
¶ None of you shall approch to any that is
† neere of kin to him, to vncouer *their* nakednesse,
I *am* the LORD.
The nakednesse of thy father, or the naked-
nesse of thy mother shalt thou not vncouer: shee is
thy mother, thou shalt not vncouer her nakednesse.
* The nakednes of thy fathers wife shalt thou
not vncouer: it *is* thy fathers nakednesse.
The nakednes of thy sister, the daughter of thy
father, or daughter of thy mother, whether she bee
borne at home, or borne abroad, *euen* their naked-
nesse thou shalt not vncouer.
The nakednesse of thy sons daughter, or of thy
daughters daughter, *euen* their nakednes thou shalt
not vncouer: for theirs *is* thine owne nakednesse.
The nakednesse of thy fathers wives daughter
begotten of thy father, (she *is* thy sister) thou shalt
not vncouer her nakednesse.
* Thou shalt not vncouer the nakednes of thy
fathers sister: shee *is* thy fathers neere kinswoman.
Thou shalt not vncouer the nakednesse of thy
mothers sister: for she *is* thy mothers neere kinse-
woman.
* Thou shalt not vncouer the nakednesse of
thy fathers brother, thou shalt not approach to his
wife: she *is* thine aunt.
* Thou shalt not vncouer the nakednes of thy
daughter in law: she *is* thy sonnes wife, thou shalt
not vncouer her nakednesse.
* Thou shalt not vncouer the nakednes of thy
brothers wife: it *is* thy brothers nakednesse.
Thou shalt not vncouer the nakednes of a wo-
man and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her
sonnes daughter, or her daughters daughter, to vn-
couer her nakednes: for they are her neere kinse-
women: it *is* wickednesse.
‖ Neither shalt thou take a wife ‖ to her sister
to vexe *her*, to vncouer her nakednesse, besides the
other in her life *time*.
* Also thou shalt not approach vnto a woman

† *Hebr. that hunteth any hunting.*
* Gene. 9 4.
† *Hebr. a carkasse.*
* Ezek. 20.11. rom.10.5. gal.3.12.
† *Hebr. remainder of his flesh.*
* Chap. 20.11.
* Chap. 20.19.
* Chap. 20.20.
* Chap. 20.12.
* Chap. 20.21.
‖ *Or one wife to another.*
* Chap. 20.18.

to vncouer her nakednesse, as long as shee is put apart for her vncleannesse.

20 Moreouer, thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbours wife, to defile thy selfe with her.

*Chap. 20.2. 2.kings 23.10. *Called. Act.7.43. Moloc. *Chap. 20.15.

21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seede *passe through *the fire* to * Molech, neither shalt thou profane the Name of thy God: I am the LORD.

22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination.

23 * Neither shalt thou lie with any beast, to defile thy selfe therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie downe thereto: it *is* confusion.

24 Defile not you your selues in any of these things: for in all these the Nations are defiled, which I cast out before you.

25 And the land is defiled: therefore I doe visit the iniquity thereof vpon it, and the land it selfe vomiteth out her inhabitants.

26 Yee shall therefore keepe my statutes, and my iudgements, and shall not commit any of these abominations, *neither* any of your owne nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:

27 (For all these abominations haue the men of the land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled.)

28 That the land spew not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spewed out the nations that were before you.

29 For whosoeuer shall commit any of these abominations, euen the soules that commit *them*, shall be cut off from among their people.

30 Therefore shall ye keepe mine Ordinance, that ye commit not any one of these abominable customes which were committed before you, and that yee defile not your selues therein: I *am* the LORD your God.

CHAP. XIX.

1 A repetition of sundry Lawes.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Speake vnto all the Congregation of the children of Israel, and say vnto them, * Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.

*Chap. 11.44.& 20.7. 1.pet.1. 16.

3 ¶ Ye shall feare *euery* man his mother, and his father, and keepe my Sabbaths: I *am* the LORD your God.

4 ¶ Turne yenot vnto idols, nor make to your selues molten gods: I *am* the LORD your God.

5 ¶ And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings vnto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your owne will.

6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if ought remaine vntill the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.

7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it is abominable; it shall not be accepted.

8 Therefore *euery one* that eateth it shall beare his iniquity, because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soule shall be cut off from among his people.

*Chap. 23.22.

9 ¶ And *when yee reape the harueſt of your land, thou shalt not wholy reape the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harueſt.

10 And thou shalt not gleane thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather euery grape of the vineyard; thou shalt leaue them for the poore and stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.

*Exod. 20.7. Deu.5.11. Mat.5.34 Iam.5.12

11 ¶ Ye shall not steale, neither deale falsely, neither lie one to another.

12 ¶ And ye shall not *sweare by my Name falsly, neither shalt thou profane the Name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.

13 ¶ * Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob him: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night, vntill the morning.

14 ¶ Thou shalt not curse the deafe, * nor put a stumbling blocke before the blind, but shalt feare thy God: I *am* the LORD.

15 ¶ Ye shall doe no vnrighteousnesse in iudgement, thou shalt not * respect the person of the poore, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousnesse shalt thou iudge thy neighbour.

16 ¶ Thou shalt not goe vp and downe as a tale bearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I *am* the LORD.

17 ¶ * Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sinne vpon him.

18 ¶ Thou shal not auenge, nor beare any grudge against the children of thy people, * but thou shalt loue thy neighbour as thy selfe: I *am* the LORD.

19 ¶ Ye shall keepe my Statutes: Thou shalt not let thy cattell gender with a diuers kinde: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linnen and woollen come vpon thee.

20 ¶ And whosoeuer lieth carnally with a woman that is a bondmaid, betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedome giuen her, she shall be scourged: they shall not be put to death, because she was not free:

21 And he shall bring his trespasse offering vnto the LORD, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, *euen* a ram for a trespasse offering.

22 And the Priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespasse offering before the LORD, for his sinne which he hath done: and the sinne which he hath done, shall be forgiuen him.

23 ¶ And when ye shall come into the land, and shall haue planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as vncircumcised: three yeeres shall it be as vncircumcised vnto you: it shall not be eaten of.

24 But in the fourth yeere all the fruit thereof shall be † holy to praise the LORD *withall*.

25 And in the fift yere shall ye eate of the fruit thereof, that it may yeeld vnto you the increase thereof: I *am* the LORD your God.

26 ¶ Ye shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: neither shall ye vse enchantment, nor obserue times.

27 * Ye shall not round the corners of your head, neither shalt thou marre the corners of thy beard.

28 Ye shall not * make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any markes vpon you: I am the LORD.

29 ¶ Doe not † prostitute thy daughter to cause her to be a whore, lest the land fall to whoredome, and the land become full of wickednesse.

30 ¶ Ye shall keepe my Sabbaths, and reuerence my Sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.

31 ¶ Regard not them that haue familiar spirits, neither seeke after wizards to be defiled by them: I *am* the LORD your God.

32 ¶ Thou shalt rise vp before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and feare thy God: I *am* the LORD.

33 ¶ And * if a stranger sojourne with thee in your land, ye shall not † vexe him.

34 * *But* the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be as one borne amongst you, and thou shalt loue him as thy selfe, for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

35 ¶ Ye shall doe no vnrighteousnesse in iudge

yard, in weight, or in measure.
* Iust ballances, iust † weights, a iust Ephah,
Iust Hin shall ye haue: I *am* the LORD your
which brought you out of the land of Egypt.
Therefore shall ye obserue all my Statutes,
all my Iudgements, and doe them: I *am* the
D.

CHAP. XX.

*Of him that giueth of his seed to Moloch. 4 Of
that fauoureth such an one. 6 Of going to wi-
. 7 Of sanctification. 9. Of him that curseth
arents. 10 Of adultery. 11. 14. 17. 19. Of in-
13 Of Sodomy. 15 Of bestiality. 18 Of vn-
neſſe. 22 Obedience is required with holineſſe.
Wizards must be put to death.*

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 * Againe, thou shalt say to the children of
I, Whosoeuer he be of the children of Israel,
the strangers that sojourne in Israel, that gi-
any of his seed vnto Molech, he shall surely be
o death: the people of the land shall stone
with stones.
And I will set my face against that man, and
ut him off from among his people: because he
giuen of his seed vnto Molech, to defile my
uary, and to profane my holy Name.
And if the people of the land doe any wayes
their eyes from the man, when hee giueth of
ed vnto Molech, and kill him not:
Then I will set my face against that man, and
ut his family, and will cut him off, and all that
whoring after him, to commit whoredome
Molech, from among their people.
And the soule that turneth after such as haue
iar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring
them, I will euen set my face against that
and will cut him off from among his people.
* Sanctifie your selues therefore, and be yee
for I *am* the LORD your God.
nd ye shall keepe my Statutes and doe them:
e LORD which sanctifie you.
* For euery one that curseth his father or his
r, shall be surely put to death: he hath cur-
a father or his mother, his blood *shalbe* vpon

And * the man that committeth adultery
another mans wife, *euen* he that committeth
ry with his neighbours wife, the adulterer
e adulteresse shall surely be put to death.
And the man that lyeth with his fathers
ife hath vncouered his fathers nakednesse: both
n shall be put to death, their blood *shall bee*
hem.
nd if a man lie with his daughter in law, both
n shall surely be put to death: they haue
ht confusion, their blood *shall be* vpon them.
If a man also lie with mankind as he lyeth
woman, both of them haue committed an a-
ation: they shall surely bee put to death,
lood *shall be* vpon them.
nd if a man take a wife, & her mother, it is
ineſſe: they shall be burnt with fire, both he
ey, that there be no wickednesse among you.
And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely
o death, and ye shall slay the beast.
nd if a woman approach vnto any beast, and
ue thereto, thou shalt kill the woman and
e beast: they shall surely be put to death, their
albe vpon them.
nd if a man shall take his sister, his fathers
r, or his mothers daughter, and see her na-
e, and she see his nakednesse, it is a wicked
thing, and they shall be cut off in the sight of their
people: he hath vncouered his sisters nakednesse,
he shall beare his iniquity.
18 * And if a man shall lie with a woman, ha- * Chap.
uing her sickness, & shall vncouer her nakednesse: he 18.19.
hath † discouered her fountaine, and she hath vnco- † Hebr.
uered the fountaine of her blood: and both of them made na-
shall be cut off from among their people. ked.
19 And thou shalt not vncouer the nakednesse of
thy mothers sister, nor of thy fathers sister: for hee
vncouereth his neere kinne: they shall beare their
iniquity.
20 And if a man shall lie with his vncles wife,
he hath vncouered his vncles nakednes: they shall
beare their sinne, they shall die childlesse.
21 And if a man shall take his brothers wife, it is
† an vncleane thing: he hath vncouered his brothers † Hebr.
nakednesse, they shall be childlesse. a separa-
22 ¶ Ye shall therefore keepe all my * Statutes, tion.
and all my Iudgements, and doe them: that the land * Chap.
whither I bring you to dwell therein, * spue you 18.26.
not out. * Chap.
23 And yee shall not walke in the maners of the 18.25.
nation which I cast out before you: for they com- * Deut.
mitted all these things, and * therefore I abhorred them. 9.5.
24 But I haue said vnto you, Ye shal inherit their
land, and I will giue it vnto you, to possesse it, a
land that floweth with milke and honey: I *am* the
LORD your God, which haue separated you from
other people.
25 * Ye shall therefore put difference betweene * Chap.
cleane beasts and vncleane, and betweene vncleane 11.2. &c.
foules and cleane: and ye shall not make your soules 14.4.
abominable by beast or by foule, or by any manner of † Or,
liuing thing that † creepeth on the ground, which moueth.
I haue separated from you as vncleane. * Chap.
26 And yee shall be holy vnto mee: * for I the 19.2. &
LORD *am* holy, and haue seuered you from other 20.7.
people, that ye should be mine. 1. Pet. 1.16
27 ¶ * A man also or woman that hath a familiar * Deut.
spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely bee put to 18.11.
death: they shall stone them with stones: their 1. Sam.
blood *shall be* vpon them. 28.7.

CHAP. XXI.

*1 Of the Priests mourning. 6 Of their holinesse.
8 Of their estimation. 7. 13 Of their marriages.
16 The Priests that haue blemishes, must not minis-
ter in the Sanctuary.*

AND the LORD said vnto Moses, Speake vnto
the Priests the sonnes of Aaron, and say vnto
them, There shall none be defiled for the dead a-
mong his people:
2 But for his kin that is neere vnto him, *that is,*
for his mother, and for his father, and for his son,
and for his daughter, and for his brother,
3 And for his sister a virgin that is nigh vnto
him, which hath had no husband: for her may hee
be defiled.
4 But he shall not defile himselfe being a chiefe [Or, being
man among his people, to prophane himselfe. a husband
5 * They shall not make baldnesse vpon their among his
head, neither shall they shaue off the corner of their people he
beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh: shall not
6 They shall be holy vnto their God, and not pro- defile
fane the Name of their God: for the offerings of himselfe
the LORD made by fire, *and* the bread of their God for his
they doe offer: therefore they shall be holy. wife, &c.
7 They shall not take a wife that is a whore, or * Chap.
prophane: neither shal they take a woman put away 19.27.
from her husband: for he *is* holy vnto his God.
8 Thou shalt sanctifie him therefore, for hee offe-
reth the bread of thy God: he shall bee holy vnto
thee:

thee: for I the LORD which sanctifie you *am* holy.

9 ¶ And the daughter of any Priest, if shee profane her selfe by playing the whore, shee profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

10 And he that is the high Priest among his brethren, vpon whose head ☞ anointing oile was powred, and that is consecrated to put on ☞ garments, shall not vncouer his head, not rent his clothes:

11 Neither shall he goe in to any dead body, nor defile himselfe for his father, or for his mother:

12 Neither shall he goe out of the Sanctuary, nor profane the Sanctuary of his God: for the crowne of the anointing oile of his God *is* vpon him: I *am* the LORD.

13 And he shall take a wife in her virginity.

14 A widow, or a diuorced woman, or profane, *or* an harlot, these shall he not take: but he shall take a virgin of his owne people to wife.

15 Neither shall he prophane his seed among his people: for I the LORD do sanctifie him.

16 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

17 Speake vnto Aaron, saying, Whosoeuer *bee he* of thy seed in their generations, ☞ hath any blemish

Or, food. let him not approach to offer the bread of his God.

18 For whatsoeuer man *bebe* that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he

* Chap. 21.23. that hath a flat nose, or any thing * superfluous,

19 Or a man that is broken footed, or broken handed,

‖ *Or, foo bender.* 20 Or crooke backt, or a ‖ dwarfe, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or bee scuruey, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken:

21 No man that hath a blemish, of the seed of Aaron the Priest, shall come nigh to offer ☞ offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish; hee shall not come nigh to offer the bread of his God.

22 He shall eat the bread of his God: *both* of the most holy, and of the holy:

23 Onely he shall not goe in vnto the Vaile, nor come nigh vnto the Altar, because hee hath a blemish, that he profane not my Sanctuaries: for I the LORD doe sanctifie them.

24 And Moses told it vnto Aaron, and to his sonnes, and to all the children of Israel.

CHAP. XXII.

1 The Priests in shew vncleannesse must abstaine from the holy things. 6 How they shall be cleansed. 10 Who of the Priests house may eat of the holy things. 17 The sacrifices must bee without blemish. 26 The age of the sacrifice. 29 The law of eating the sacrifice of thanksgiuing

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Speake vnto Aaron and to his sonnes, that they separate themselues from the holy things of the children of Israel, & that they prophane not my holy Name, *in those things* which they hallow vnto me: I *am* the LORD.

3 Say vnto them, Whosoeuer he bee of all your seed among your generations, that goeth vnto the holy things, which the children of Israel hallow vnto the LORD, hauing his vncleannesse vpon him, that soule shall be cut off from my presence: I *am* the LORD.

4 What man soeuer of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or hath a † running issue, he shall not eate of the holy things vntill he be cleane. And * whoso toucheth any thing *that is* vncleane *by* the dead, or a man whose seede goeth from him:

† *Hebr. running of the reines.* * Chap. 15.2.

5 Or whosoeuer toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may bee made vncleane, or a man of whom he may take vncleannesse, whatsoeuer vncleannesse he hath:

6 The soule which hath touched any such, shall be vncleane vntill Euen, and shall not eate of the holy things, vnlesse he wash his flesh with water.

7 And when the Sunne is downe, hee shall be cleane, and shall afterward eat of the holy things, because it *is* his food.

8 * That which dieth of it selfe, or is torne with *beasts*, he shal not eat to defile himselfe therewith: I *am* the LORD.

9 They shall therefore keepe mine Ordinance, lest they beare sinne for it, and die therefore, if they profane it: I the LORD doe sanctifie them.

10 There shall no stranger eat of the holy thing: a sojourner of the Priests, or an hired seruant shall not eat of the holy thing.

11 But if the Priest buy any soule † with his money, he shall eat of it, and he that is borne in his house: they shall eat of his meat.

12 If the Priests daughter also be married vnto † a stranger, she may not eat of an offering of the holy things.

13 But if the Priests daughter bee a widow, or diuorced, & haue no child, and is returned vnto her fathers house, * as in her youth, she shall eat of her fathers meat: but there shal no stranger eat thereof.

14 ¶ And if a man eat of ☞ holy thing vnwittingly, then he shall put the fift part thereof vnto it, and shall giue *it* vnto the Priest, with the holy thing.

15 And they shall not profane the holy things of ☞ children of Israel: which they offer vnto the LORD,

16 Or ‖ suffer them to beare the iniquity of trespasse, when they eat their holy things: for I the LORD doe sanctifie them.

17 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses saying,

18 Speake vnto Aaron, and to his sons, and vnto all the children of Israel, and say vnto them, Whatsoeuer he be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will offer his oblation for all their vowes, & for all his free-will offerings which they will offer vnto the LORD for a burnt offering;

19 *Ye shall offer* at your own will a male without blemish of the beeues, of the sheep, or of the goates.

20 *But* whatsoeuer hath a blemish, that shall ye not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you.

21 * And whosoeuer offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings vnto ☞ LORD, to accomplish his vow, or a free will offring in beeues, or sheep, it shall be perfect, to be accepted: there shalbe no blemish therein.

22 Blind, or broken or maimed, or hauing a wen, or scruie, or scabbed, ye shall not offer these vnto the LORD, nor make an offering by fire of them vpon the Altar vnto the LORD.

23 Either a bullock or a ‖ lambe, that hath any thing * superfluous or lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer for a free-will offering: but for a vow it shall not be accepted.

24 Ye shall not offer vnto the LORD that which is bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut: neither shall you make any offering thereof in your land.

25 Neither from a strangers hand shall ye offer the bread of your God of any of these because their corruption is in them, *and* blemishes be in them: they shall not be accepted for you.

26 ¶ And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying,

27 When a bullock, or a sheepe, or a goate is brought forth, then it shalbe seuen dayes vnder the dam, & from the eight day & thenceforth it shall be accepted for an offring made by fire vnto the LORD.

28 And whether it be cow or ewe, ye shall not kill it, * and her young both in one day.

29 And when ye will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiuing vnto the LORD, offer it at your owne

On the same day it shall be eaten vp, yee shall
none of it vntill ſ morrow: I am the LORD.
Therefore shall ye keepe my Commandements
bee them: I am the LORD.
Neither shall yee * profane my holy Name, but
I be hallowed among the children of Israel:
the LORD which hallow you,
That brought you out of the land of Egypt,
your God I am the LORD.

CHAP. XXIII.

*The feasts of the Lord. 3 The Sabbath. 4 The
louer. 9 The sheafe of first fruits. 15 The
of Pentecost. 22 Gleanings to be left for the
23 The feast of trumpets. 26 The day of atone-
33 The feast of Tabernacles.*

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and
unto them, Concerning the feast of the LORD,
h yee shall proclaime *to be* holy conuocations,
these are my feasts.
* Sixe dayes shall worke bee done, but the se-
day is the Sabbath of rest, an holy conuocati-
ee shall doe no worke therein: it is the Sab-
of the LORD in all your dwellings.
¶ *These are* the feasts of the LORD, *euen* holy
cations, which yee shall proclaime in their
ns.
In the fourteenth day of the first moneth at
n the LORDS Passeouer.
And on the fifteenth day of the same moneth is
feast of vnleauened bread vnto the LORD:
dayes ye must eat vnleauened bread.
In the first day yee shall haue an holy conuoca-
ye shall doe no seruile worke therein,
But ye shall offer an offering made by fire vnto
ORD seuen dayes: in the seuenth day *is* an holy
cation, Ye shall doe no seruile worke *therein.*
¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say
them, When ye be come into the land which I
nto you, and shall reape the haruest thereof,
e shall bring a ‖ sheafe of the first fruits of
haruest vnto the Priest:
And he shall waue the sheafe before the LORD
accepted for you; on the morrow after the
th the Priest shall waue it.
And ye shall offer that day, when ye waue the
e, an hee lambe without blemish of the first
, for a burnt offering vnto the LORD.
And the meat offering thereof *shall bee* two
deales of fine flowre, mingled with oyle, an
ng made by fire vnto the LORD, for a sweet
: and the drinke offering thereof *shall be* of
the fourth part of a Hin.
And yee shall eate neither bread nor parched
, nor greene eares, vntill the selfe same day
ee haue brought an offering vnto your God:
ll be a statute for euer thorowout your gene-
ns, in all your dwellings.
¶ * And yee shall count vnto you from the
orrow after the Sabbath, from the day that yee
ght the sheafe of the waue offering: seuen
ths shalbe compleat.
Euen vnto the morrow after the seuenth Sab-
shall ye number fifty dayes, and ye shall offer
meat offering vnto the LORD
Yee shall bring out of your habitations two
aues of two tenth deales: they shalbe of
flowre, they shalbe baken with leauen, *they are*
rst fruits vnto the LORD.
And ye shall offer with the bread seuen lambs
out blemish, of the first yeere, and one young
bullocke, and two rams: they shall bee for a burnt
offering vnto the LORD, with their meat offering,
and their drinke offerings, *euen* an offering made
by fire of sweet sauour vnto the LORD.
19 Then yee shall sacrifice one kid of the goates,
for a sinne offering, and two lambes of the first yere
for a sacrifice of peace offerings.
20 And the Priest shall waue them with the bread
of the first fruits, for a waue offering before the
LORD, with the two lambes: they shalbe holy to
the LORD for the Priests.
21 And ye shall proclaime on ſ selfe same day, *that*
it may be an holy conuocation vnto you: ye shal do
no seruile work *therein*: *it shalbe* a statute for euer
in all your dwellings thorowout your generations.
22 ¶ And * when yee reape the haruest of your
land, thou shalt not make cleane riddance of the
corners of the field, when thou reapest, * neither
shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy haruest: thou
shalt leaue them vnto the poore, and to the stran-
ger: I am the LORD your God.
23 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
24 Speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, In
the * seuenth moneth, in the first day of the moneth,
shall yee haue a Sabbath, a memorial of blowing
of trumpets, an holy conuocation.
25 Ye shall doe no seruile worke *therein*, but ye
shall offer an offring made by fire vnto the LORD.
26 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
27 * Also on the tenth day of this seuenth moneth,
there shall be a day of atonement, it shalbe an holy
conuocation vnto you, & ye shall afflict your soules,
and offer an offering made by fire vnto the LORD.
28 And ye shall doe no worke in that same day:
for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement
for you, before the LORD your God.
29 For whatsoeuer soule *it bee* that shall not bee
afflicted in that same day, hee shall be cut off from
among his people.
30 And whatsoeuer soule *it be* that doeth any
worke in that same day, the same soule will I de-
stroy from among his people.
31 Yee shall doe no manner of worke: *it shall be*
a statute for euer thorowout your generations, in
all your dwellings.
32 It *shall be* vnto you a Sabbath of rest, and yee
shall afflict your soules in the ninth *day* of the mo-
neth at Euen, from Euen vnto Euen shall ye † cele-
brate your Sabbath.
33 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
34 Speak vnto the children of Israel, saying, * The
fifteenth day of this seuenth moneth *shall be* ſ feast
of Tabernacles, *for* seuen dayes vnto the LORD.
35 On the first day *shall be* an holy conuocation:
ye shall doe no seruile worke therein.
36 Seuen dayes yee shall offer an offring made by
fire vnto the LORD, on the eight day shalbe an holy
conuocation vnto you, and ye shall offer an offering
made by fire vnto the LORD: it is a † solemne as-
sembly, and ye shall doe no seruile worke therein.
37 These are the Feasts of the LORD, which yee
shall proclaime *to be* holy conuocations, to offer an
offering made by fire vnto the LORD, a burnt offe-
ring, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drinke
offerings, euery thing vpon his day;
38 Beside the Sabbaths of the LORD, and beside
your gifts, and beside all your vowes, and beside
all your free-will offrings, which ye giue vnto the
LORD.
39 Also in the fifteenth day of the seuenth moneth,
when ye haue gathered in the fruit of the land, ye
shal keep a feast vnto the LORD seuen daies. On the
first

first day *shall bee* a Sabbath, and on the eighth day *shall be* a Sabbath.

40 And yee shall take you on the first day the † boughes of goodly trees, branches of palme trees, and the boughes of thicke trees, and willowes of the brooke, and yee shall reioyce before the LORD your God seuen dayes.

41 And ye shall keepe it a feast vnto the LORD seuen dayes in the yeere: it *shall be* a Statute for euer in your generations, yee shall celebrate it in the seuenth moneth.

42 Ye shall dwell in boothes seuen dayes: all that are Israelites borne, shall dwell in boothes;

43 That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in boothes, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

44 And Moses declared vnto the children of Israel the feasts of the LORD.

† *Hebr.* fruit.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 *The oyle for the lampes.* 5 *The Shew-bread.* 10 *Shelomiths sonne blasphemeth.* 13 *The law of blasphemy.* 17 *Of murder.* 18 *Of damage.* 23 *The blasphemer is stoned.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, that they bring vnto thee pure oyle Oliue beaten, for the light, † to cause the lampes to burne continually.

3 Without the vaile of the Testimony, in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, shall Aaron order it from the euening vnto the morning, before the LORD continually: it *shall bee* a Statute for euer in your generations.

4 Hee shall order the lampes vpon * the pure Candlesticke before the LORD continually.

5 ¶ And thou shalt take fine flowre, and bake twelue * cakes thereof: two tenth dealcs shalbe in one cake.

6 And thou shalt set them in two rowes, sixe on a row vpon the pure Table before the LORD.

7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense vpon each row, that it may be on the bread for a memoriall, *euen* an offering made by fire vnto the LORD.

8 Euery Sabbath hee shall set it in order before the LORD continually, *being taken* from the children of Israel by an euerlasting Couenant.

9 And * it shall be Aarons and his sonnes, and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it is most holy vnto him, of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, by a perpetuall Statute.

10 ¶ And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father was an Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel: & this son of the Israelitish woman, and a man of Israel stroue together in the campe.

11 And the Israelitish womans sonne blasphemed the Name of the LORD, & cursed, and they brought him vnto Moses: and his mothers name was Shelomith the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan.

12 And they * put him in ward, † that the mind of the LORD might be shewed them.

13 And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

14 Bring forth him that hath cursed without the campe, and let all that heard him, * lay their hands vpon his head, and let all the Congregation stone him.

15 And thou shalt speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, Whosoeuer curseth his God, shall beare his sinne.

16 And hee that blasphemeth the Name of the LORD, he shall surely be put to death, and all the Congregation shal certainly stone him: As well the stranger, as he that is born in the land when he blasphemeth the Name of ‡ LORD shalbe put to death.

17 ¶ * And he that † killeth any man, shall surely be put to death.

18 And hee that killeth a beast, shall make it good, † beast for beast.

19 And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as * he hath done, so shall it be done to him;

20 Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be done to him againe.

21 And he that killeth a beast he shall restore it: and he that killeth a man he shalbe put to death.

22 Ye shall haue * one manner of law: it shall be as the stranger, as for one of your owne country: for I *am* the LORD your God.

23 ¶ And Moses spake vnto the children of Israel, that they should bring foorth him that had cursed out of the campe, and stone him with stones: and the children of Israel did as ‡ LORD cõmanded Moses.

to cause to ascend * Exod. 31.8.

* Exod. 25.30.

* Exod. 29.33. chap.8.31. matt. 12. 1.5.

* Numb. 15.34. † *Hebr. to expound vnto the* ‡ *according to the mouth of the* LORD.

* Deut. 13 9.& 17.7.

CHAP. XXV.

1 *The Sabbath of the seuenth yeere.* 8 *The Iubile in the fiftieth yeere.* 14 *Of oppression.* 18 *Obseruing of obedience.* 23 *The redemption of the land.* 47 *Of bondmen.* 35 *Compassion of the poore.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,

2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When ye come into the land which I giue you, then shall the land † keepe * a Sabbath vnto the LORD.

3 Sixe yeeres thou shalt sow thy field, and sixe yeeres thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof.

4 But in the seuenth yeere shalbe a Sabbath of rest vnto the land, a Sabbath for the LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.

5 That which groweth of it owne accord of thy harueste thou shalt not reape, neither gather the grapes † of thy vine vndressed: for it is a yeere of rest vnto the land.

6 And the Sabbath of the land shalbe meate for you: for thee, and for thy seruant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired seruant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee,

7 And for thy cattell, and for the beast that are in thy land, shall all the increase thereof be meate.

8 ¶ And thou shalt number seuen Sabbaths of yeeres vnto thee, seuen times seuen yeeres, and the space of the seuen Sabbaths of yeeres shall be vnto thee, fourty and nine yeeres.

9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of ‡ iubile to sound; on the tenth day of the seuenth moneth; in the day of atonement shall yee make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.

10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth yeere, and proclaime liberty throughout all the land, vnto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a Iubile vnto you, and ye shall returne euery man vnto his possession, and ye shall returne euery man vnto his family.

11 A Iubile shall that fiftieth yeere be vnto you: Ye shall not sow, neither reape that which groweth of it selfe in it, nor gather *the grapes* in it of the vine vndressed.

12 For it is the Iubile, it shall be holy vnto you: ye shall eat the increase thereof out of the field.

13 In the yeere of this Iubile, yee shall returne euery man vnto his possession.

14 And if thou sell ought vnto thy neighbour, or buyest ought of thy neighbours hand, ye shall not oppresse one another.

15 According to ‡ number of yeeres after ‡ Iubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour, & according vnto

of yeres of the fruits, he shal sell vnto thee.
According to the multitude of yeeres, thou
increase the price thereof, and according to
wes of yeeres, thou shalt diminish the price
for according to the number of the yeeres of
its doth he sell vnto thee.
Ye shall not therefore oppresse one another;
ou shalt feare thy God: For I am the LORD
od.
Wherefore yee shall doe my Statutes, and
my Iudgements, and doe them, and ye shall
in the land in safety.
nd the land shall yeeld her fruit, and ye shal
our fill, and dwell therein in safety.
And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the se-
yeere? Behold, we shall not sow, nor gather
increase:
Then I will command my blessing vpon you
sixth yeere, and it shall bring forth fruit for
yeeres.
And ye shall sow the eighth yeere, and eat yet
fruit, vntill the ninth yeere: vntill her fruits
in, ye shall eat of the old store.
¶ The land shall not bee sold † for euer: for
nd is mine, for ye were strangers and sojour-
with me.
And in all the land of your possession, yee
grant a redemption for the land.
If thy brother bee waxen poore, and hath
way some of his possession, and if any of his
eme to redeeme it, then shall he redeeme that
his brother sold; Ruthe. 2. 9. 4. 7. 9.
And if the man haue none to redeeme it, and
selfe be able to redeeme it:
Then let him count the yeres of the sale ther-
d restore the ouerplus vnto the man, to whom
d it, that he may returne vnto his possession.
But if he be not able to restore it to him, then
which is sold, shall remaine in the hand of him
hath bought it, vnto the yeere of Iubile: and
Iubile it shall goe out, and hee shall returne
his possession.
And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled
then he may redeeme it within a whole yeere
it is sold: within a ful yeere may he redeeme it.
And if it be not redeemed within § space of a
re, then § house that is in § walled city, shalbe
lished for euer to him that bought it thorow-
is generations: it shal not go out in the Iubile.
But the houses of the villages, which haue no
s round about them, shall bee counted as the
of the countrey: † they may be redeemed, and
shall goe out in the Iubile.
Notwithstanding the cities of the Leuites,
he houses of the cities of their possession, may
euites redeeme at any time.
And if † a man purchase of the Leuites, then
ouse that was sold, and the city of his possessi-
shall goe out in the yeere of Iubile: for the
es of the cities of the Leuites are their posses-
mong the children of Israel.
But the field of the suburbs of their cities may
e sold: for it is their perpetuall possession.
¶ And if thy brother bee waxen poore, † and
len in decay with thee, then thou shalt † re-
e him; *yea though he be* a stranger, or a sojour-
that he may liue with thee.
* Take thou no vsury of him, or increase: but
e thy God, that thy brother may liue with thee.
Thou shalt not giue him thy money vpon vsu-
or lend him thy victuals for increase.
I am the LORD your God, which brought
you forth out of the land of Egypt, to giue you the
land of Canaan, and to be your God.

39 ¶ And * if thy brother that dwelleth by thee
be waxen poore, and be sold vnto thee, thou shalt
not † compell him to serue as a bond seruant.
40 But as an hired seruant, *and* as a sojourner he
shalbe with thee, *and* shall serue thee vnto the yeere
of Iubile.
41 And then shall he depart from thee, both hee
and his children with him, and shall returne vnto
his owne family, and vnto the possession of his fa-
thers shall he returne.
42 For they are my seruants, which I brought
foorth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be
sold † as bondmen.
43 * Thou shalt not rule ouer him with rigour,
but shalt feare thy God.
44 Both thy bondmen and thy bondmaids, which
thou shalt haue, shalbe of the heathen, that are
round about you: of them shall yee buy bondmen
and boudmaids.
45 Moreouer, of the children of the strangers that
doe sojourne among you, of them shall ye buy, and
of their families that *are* with you, which they be-
gate in your land: and they shalbe your possession.
46 And ye shall take them as an inheritance for
your children after you, to inherite *them* for a pos-
session, † they shalbe your bondmen for euer: but
ouer your brethren the children of Israel, yee shall
not rule one ouer another with rigour.
47 ¶ And if a sojourner or stranger † waxe rich
by thee, and thy brother that dwelleth by him wax
poore, and sell himselfe vnto the stranger or soiour-
ner by thee, or to the stocke of the strangers family:
48 After that he is sold, he may be redeemed a-
gaine: one of his brethren may redeeme him.
49 Either his vncle, or his vncles sonne may re-
deeme *him*, or any that is nigh of kin vnto him, of
his family, *may redeeme* him: or if he be able, hee
may redeeme himselfe.
50 And hee shall reckon with him that bought
him, from the yeere that he was sold to him, vnto
the yeere of Iubile, and the price of his sale shall be
according to the number of yeres, according to the
time of an hired seruant shall it be with him.
51 If there be yet many yeeres behind, according
vnto them he shall giue againe the price of his re-
demption, out of the mony that he was bought for.
52 And if there remaine but few yeeres vnto the
yeere of Iubile, then hee shall count with him, *and*
according vnto his yeeres shall he giue him againe
the price of his redemption.
53 And as a yeerely hired seruant shall hee bee
with him: and *the other* shall not rule with rigour
ouer him in thy sight.
54 And if hee be not redeemed † in these *yeeres*,
then he shall goe out in the yeere of Iubile, *both* he
and his children with him.
55 For vnto me the children of Israel are seruants,
they are my seruants whom I brought foorth out of
the land of Egypt: *I am* the LORD your God.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 *Of Idolatry,* 2 *Religious rest.* 3 *A blessing to them that keepe the Commandements:* 14 *A curse to those that breake them.* 40 *God promiseth to remember them that repent.*

YE shall make you * no idols nor grauen image,
neither reare you vp a standing image, neither
shall ye set vp any † image of stone in your land to
bow downe to it: For I *am* the LORD your God.

* Exod. 23. 2. deut. 15. 12. iere. 34. 14.
† Hebr. *serue thy selfe with him. with the seruice, &c.*
† Hebr. *with the sale of a bondman*
* Exo. 6. 9 col. 4. 1.
† Hebr. *ye shall serue your selues with them.*
† Hebr. *his hand attaine, &c.*
Or, by these meanes.
| *Or, pillar.* | *Or, figured stone. Hebr. a stone of picture.*

*Chap. 19.30. *Deut. 28.1.

2 *Yee shall keepe my Sabbaths, and reuerence my Sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.

3 ¶ *If ye walke in my Statutes, and keepe my Commandements, and doe them;

4 Then I will giue you raine in due season, and the land shall yeeld her increase, and the trees of the field shall yeeld their fruit.

5 And your threshing shal reach vnto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach vnto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and * dwell in your land safely.

* Iob. 11. 19.

6 And I will giue peace in the land, and ye shall lie downe, and none shall make you afraid: and I will † rid euill beasts out of the land, * neither shall the sword goe thorow your land.

† *Heb.* *cause to cease.* * Iob. 11. 19.

7 And yee shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

8 And * fiue of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

* Iosh. 23.10.

9 For I will haue respect vnto you, and make you fruitfull, and multiply you, and establish my Couenant with you.

10 And yee shall eat old store, and bring foorth the old, because of the new.

11 *And I will set my Tabernacle amongst you: and my soule shall not abhorre you.

* Ezek. 37.26.

12 *And I will walke among you, and will bee your God, and ye shalbe my people.

*2. Cor. 6.16.

13 I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that yee should not be their bondmen, and I haue broken the bands of your yoke, and made you goe vpright.

14 ¶ *But if yee will not hearken vnto me, and will not doe all these Commandements:

* Deut. 28.15.

15 And if ye shall despise my Statutes, or if your soule abhor my iudgments, so that ye will not do all my commandements, *but* ye breake my Couenant:

Iam. 2.17 mal. 2.2.

16 I also will doe this vnto you, I will euen appoint † ouer you, terrour, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and yee shall sow your seed in vaine, for your enemies shall eat it.

† *Heb.* *vpon you.*

17 And I will set my face against you, and yee shalbe slaine before your enemies: they that hate you shall reigne ouer you, and * yee shall flee when none pursueth you.

*Prou. 28.1.

18 And if yee will not yet for all this hearken vnto me, then I will punish you seuen times more for your sinnes.

19 And I will breake the pride of your power, and I will make your heauen as yron, and your earth as brasse:

20 And your strength shalbe spent in vaine: for your land shall not yeeld her increase, neither shal the trees of the land yeeld their fruits.

‖ *Or,* *at all aduentures* *with me,* *and so* *verse* 24.

21 ¶ And if ye walke ‖ contrary vnto me, and will not hearken vnto me, I will bring seuentimes moe plagues vpon you, according to your sinnes.

22 I wil also send wild beasts among you which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattell, and make you few in number, and your high wayes shalbe desolate.

23 And if yee will not bee reformed by these things, but will walke contrary vnto mee:

24 * Then will I also walke contrary vnto you, and will punish you yet seuen times for your sinnes.

*2. Sam. 22.27. psal. 18.26.

25 And I will bring a sword vpon you that shall auenge the quarrell of *my* couenant: and when yee are gathered together within your cities, I will send the pestilence among you, and yee shalbe deliuered into the hand of the enemy.

26 And when I haue broken the staffe of your bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one ouen, and they shall deliuer you your bread againe by weight: and ye shall eat and not be satisfied.

27 And if yee will not for all this hearken vnto me, but walke contrary vnto me,

28 Then I will walke contrary vnto you also in fury, and I, euen I, will chastise you seuentimes for your sinnes.

29 * And ye shall eat the flesh of your sonnes, and the flesh of your daughters shall yee eat.

30 And I will destroy your high places, and cut downe your images, and cast your carcases vpon the carcases of your idols, and my soule shall abhorre you.

31 And I will make your cities waste, and bring your Sanctuaries vnto desolation, and I will not smell the sauour of your sweet odours.

32 And I will bring the land into desolation, and your enemies which dwell therein, shall be astonished at it.

33 And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shalbe desolate, and your cities waste.

34 Then shall the land enioy her Sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies land: euen then shall the land rest, & enioy her Sabbaths.

35 As long as it lieth desolate, it shall rest, because it did not rest in your Sabbaths, when ye dwelt vpon it.

36 And vpon them that are left aliue of you, I will send a faintnesse into their hearts in the lands of their enemies, and the sound of a † shaken leafe shall chase them, and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword: and they shall fall when none pursueth.

† *Heb.* *driuen.*

37 And they shall fal one vpon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall haue no power to stand before your enemies.

38 And yee shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you vp.

39 And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquitie, in your enemies lands, and also with the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.

40 If they shall confesse their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespasse which they trespassed against me, and that also they haue walked contrary vnto mee:

41 And *that* I also haue walked contrary vnto them, and haue brought them into the land of their enemies: if then their vncircumcised heart be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:

42 Then will I remember my couenant with Iacob, and also my couenant with Isaac, and also my couenant with Abraham will I remember, and I will remember the land.

43 The land also shalbe left of them, & shall enioy her Sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shal accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, euen because they despised my iudgments, & because their soule abhorred my statutes.

44 And yet for all that, when they be in y land of their enemies, * I will not cast thē away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them vtterly, and to break my couenant w thē: for I am the LORD their God.

45 But I will for their sakes remember the couenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt, in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the LORD.

46 These are the Statutes, & Iudgements & Lawes which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai, by the hand of Moses.

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CHAP. XXVII.

He that maketh a singular vow, must bee the 3. 2 The estimation of the person. 9 Of a beast by vow. 14 Of an house. 16 Of a field, and redemption thereof. 28 No deuoted thing may be redeemed. 32 The tithe may not be changed.

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say them, When a man shall make a singular vow, ersons shalbe for the LORD by thy estimation,
And thy estimation shalbe: Of the male from ty yeeres old, euen vnto sixty yeeres old: euen stimation shall bee fifty shekels of siluer, after shekel of the Sanctuary.
And if it *be* a female, then thy estimation shall irty shekels.
And if it *be* from fiue yeeres old, euen vnto twenres old, then thy estimation shalbe of the male nty shekels, and for the female ten shekels.
And if *it be* from a moneth old, euen vnto fiue es old, then thy estimation shalbe of the male shekels of siluer, and for the female thy estima- *shall be* three shekels of siluer.
And if *it be* from sixty yeeres old and aboue, *be* a male, then thy estimation shalbe fifteene els, and for the female ten shekels.
But if he bee poorer then thy estimation, then all present himselfe before the Priest, and the st shall value him: according to his ability vowed shall the Priest value him.
And if it bee a beast, whereof men bring an ring vnto the LORD, all that any man giueth of vnto the LORD, shalbe holy.
He shall not alter it nor change it, a good for d, or a bad for a good: And if hee shall at all ge beast for beast, then it, and the exchange reof shalbe holy.
And if it be any vncleane beast, of which they not offer a sacrifice vnto the LORD, then hee ll present the beast before the Priest:
And the Priest shall value it, whether it bee d or bad: as thou † valuest it *who art the* est, so shall it be.
But if he will at all redeeme it, then he shall e a fift part thereof vnto thy estimation.
¶ And when a man shall sanctifie his house *to* oly vnto the LORD, then the Priest shall estie it whether it bee good or bad: as the Priest ll estimate it, so shall it stand.
And if hee that sanctified it, will redeeme his se, then he shall adde the fift *part* of the money hy estimation vnto it, and it shalbe his.
And if a man shall sanctifie vnto § LORD, some t of a field of his possession, then thy estimation lbe according to the seed thereof: † An Homer of ley seed *shalbe valued* at fifty shekels of siluer.
If he sanctifie his field from the yere of Iubile, according to thy estimation it shall stand.
But if he sanctifie his field after the Iubile, then the Priest shal reckon vnto him § money, according to the yeres that remaine, euen vnto the yere of the Iubile, and it shalbe abated from thy estimation.
And if he that sanctified the field, will in any wise redeeme it, then he shall adde the fift *part* of the money of thy estimation vnto it, and it shalbe assured to him.
And if he will not redeeme the field, or if he haue sold the field to another man, it shall not bee redeemed any more.
But the field when it goeth out in the Iubile, shalbe holy vnto the LORD, as a field deuoted: the possession thereof shalbe the Priests.
And if a man sanctifie vnto the LORD a field which he hath bought, which is not of the fields of his possession:
Then the Priest shall reckon vnto him the worth of thy estimation, euen vnto the yere of the Iubile, and he shall giue thine estimation in that day, as an holy thing vnto the LORD.
In the yere of the Iubile the field shall returne vnto him of whom it was bought: euen to him to whom the possession of the land did belong.
And all thy estimations shall bee according to the shekell of the Sanctuary: * twenty gerahs shall be the shekel. * Exod. 30.13.
¶ Only the † firstling of § beasts which should be the LORDS firstling, no man shall sanctifie it, whether it be oxe or sheepe: it *is* the LORDS. † Heb. *first borne*, &c. Leuit. 27.26.
And if *it be* of an vncleane beast, then he shal redeeme it according to thine estimation, and shall adde a fift part of it thereto: or if it be not redeemed then it shalbe sold according to thy estimatiõ
* Notwithstanding, no deuoted thing that a man shall deuote vnto the LORD, of all that hee hath, both of man and beast, and of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: euery deuoted thing is most holy vnto the LORD. * Iosh. 6. 19.
None deuoted, which shal be deuoted of men, shall be redeemed: but shal surely be put to death.
And all the tithe of the land, *whether* of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORDS: *it is* holy vnto LORD.
And if a man will at all redeme ought of his tithes, he shall adde thereto the fift part thereof.
And concerning the tith of the heard, or of the flocke, *euen* of whatsoeuer passeth vnder the rodde, the tenth shall be holy vnto the LORD.
Hee shall not search whether it bee good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.
These *are* the Commandements which the LORD commanded Moses, for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

¶ THE FOVRTH BOOKE OF MOSES. CALLED NVMBERS.

CHAP. I.

The people numbred. 5 The Princes of the tribes. 17 The number of euery Tribe. 47 The Leuites are exempted for the seruice of the Lord.

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses in the wildernesse of Sinai, in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, on the first *day* of the second month, in the second yere after they were come out of § land of Egypt, saying,
* Take ye the sum of all the Congregation of the children of Israel after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of *their* names, euery male by their polle; * Exod. 30.12.
From twenty yeeres old and vpward, all that are able to goe forth to warre in Israel: thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies.
And with you there shall bee a man of euery Tribe; euery one head of the house of his fatheres.
§ ¶ And

5 ¶ And these *are* the names of the men that shal stand with you: of *the tribe of* Reuben, Elizur the sonne of Shedeur.

6 Of Simeon: Shelumiel the sonne of Zurishaddai.

7 Of Iudah: Nahshon the sonne of Amminadab.

8 Of Issachar: Nethanel the sonne of Zuar.

9 Of Zebulun: Eliab the sonne of Helon.

10 Of the children of Ioseph: of Ephraim, Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh, Gamaliel the sonne of Pedahzar.

11 Of Beniamin: Abidon the sonne of Gideoni.

12 Of Dan: Ahiezer the sonne of Ammishaddai.

13 Of Asher: Pagiel the sonne of Ocran.

14 Of Gad: Eliasaph the sonne of Deuel.

15 Of Naphtali: Ahira the sonne of Enan.

16 These *were* the renowned of the Congregation, Princes of the tribes of their Fathers, heads of thousands in Israel.

17 ¶ And Moses and Aaron tooke these men, which are expressed by *their* names.

18 And they assembled all the Congregation together on the first day of the second moneth, and they declared their pedegrees after their families by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty yeeres old and vpward by their polle.

19 As the LORD commanded Moses, so hee numbred them in the wildernesse of Sinai.

20 And the children of Reuben, Israels eldest sonne, by their generations after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names by their polle, euery male from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to go foorth to warre:

21 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Reuben, *were* fourty and sixe thousand and fiue hundred.

22 ¶ Of the children of Simeon by their generations after their families, by the house of their fathers, those that were numbred of them, according to the number of the names, by their polles, euery male from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe foorth to warre:

23 Those that *were* numbred of them *euen* of the tribe of Simeon, *were* fifty and nine thousand, and three hundred.

24 ¶ Of the children of Gad by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to go foorth to warre:

25 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Gad, *were* fourtie and fine thousand, sixe hundred and fiftie.

26 ¶ Of the children of Iudah by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe foorth to warre:

27 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Iudah, *were* threescore and fourteene thousand and sixe hundred.

28 ¶ Of the children of Issachar by their generations, after their families by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe foorth to warre:

29 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Issachar, *were* fifty and foure thousand and foure hundred.

30 ¶ Of the children of Zebulun, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers according to the number of the names, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

31 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Zebulun, *were* fiftie and seuen thousand and foure hundred.

32 ¶ Of the children of Ioseph, namely, of the children of Ephraim by their generations, after their families by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty yeeres olde and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

33 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Ephraim, *were* fourtie thousand and fiue hundred.

34 ¶ Of the children of Manasseh by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

35 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Manasseh *were* thirtie and two thousand and two hundred.

36 ¶ Of the children of Beniamin by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

37 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Beniamin, *were* thirtie and fiue thousand and foure hundred.

38 ¶ Of the children of Dan by their generations, after their families by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

39 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Dan, were threescore and two thousand and seuen hundred.

40 ¶ Of the children of Asher by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

41 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Asher, *were* fourty and one thousand and fiue hundred.

42 ¶ Of the children of Naphtali, throughout their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre:

43 Those that were numbred of them, *euen* of the tribe of Naphtali, *were* fiftie and three thousand and foure hundred.

44 These *are* those that were numbred, which Moses and Aaron numbred, and the princes of Israel, being twelue men: each one was for the house of his fathers.

45 So were all those that were numbred of the children of Israel, by the house of their fathers, from twentie yeeres old and vpward, all that were able to goe forth to warre in Israel:

46 Euen all they that were numbred, were six hundred thousand, and three thousand and fiue hundred and fiftie.

47 ¶ But the Leuites after the tribe of their fathers were not numbred among them.

48 For the LORD had spoken vnto Moses, saying,

49 Onely thou shalt not number the tribe of Le-

neither take the ſumme of them among the
en of Iſrael:
ut thou ſhalt appoint the Leuites ouer the
acle of Teſtimony, and ouer all the veſſels
of, and ouer all things that belong to it:
hall beare the Tabernacle, and all the veſſels
of, and they ſhall miniſter vnto it, and ſhall
pe round about the Tabernacle.
And when the Tabernacle ſetteth forward, the
es ſhall take it downe: and when the Taber-
is to be pitched, the Leuites ſhall ſet it vp: &
ranger that cõmeth nigh, ſhalbe put to death.
And the children of Iſrael ſhall pitch their
euery man by his owne campe and euery man
owne ſtandard, throughout their hoſtes.
But the Leuites ſhall pitch round about the
nacle of Teſtimony, that there bee no wrath
the Congregation of the children of Iſrael:
he Leuites ſhall keepe the charge of the Ta-
cle of Teſtimony.
And the children of Iſrael did according to
at the LORD commanded Moſes, ſo did they.

CHAP. II.

1 *The order of the tribes in their tents.*

Nd the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes and vnto
Aaron, ſaying,
Euery man of the chil ſren of Iſrael ſhall pitch
owne ſtandard, with the enſigns of their fa-
houſe: † far off about the Tabernacle of the
regation ſhall they pitch.
And on the Eaſt ſide toward the riſing of the
, ſhall they of the ſtandard of the campe of
pitch throughout their armies: and Nah-
the ſonne of Amminadab *ſhall be* captaine of
ildren of Iudah.
And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred of
, *were* threeſcore and fourteene thouſand and
undred.
And thoſe that do pitch next vnto him, *ſhalbe*
ribe of Iſſachar: and Nethaneel the ſonne of
, *ſhalbe* captaine of the children of Iſſachar.
And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of, *were* fiftie and foure thouſand and foure
red.
Then the tribe of Zebulun: and Eliab the ſon of
ſhalle captaine of the children of Zebulun.
And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of, *were* fiftie and ſeuen thouſand and foure
red.
All that were numbred in the campe of Iudah,
an hundred thouſand, and foureſcore thouſand,
ſixe thouſand, and foure hundred, throughout
armies: theſe ſhall firſt ſet forth.
¶ On the South ſide *ſhall be* the ſtandard of
ampe of Reuben according to their armies:
he captaine of the children of Reuben, ſhalbe
ur the ſonne of Shedeur.
And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of, *were* fourtie and ſixe thouſand and fiue
dred.
And thoſe which pitch by him ſhalbe the tribe
imeon, and the captaine of the children of Si-
on, *ſhall be* Shelumiel the ſon of Zurishaddai.
And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
hem, *were* fiftie and nine thouſand, and three
dred.
Then the tribe of Gad: and the captaine of
ſons of Gad, *ſhall be* Eliaſaph the ſon of Reuel.
And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
m, *were* fourty and fiue thouſand and ſixe hun-
d and fiftie.
All that were numbred in the campe of Reu-
ben *were* an hundred thouſand, and fifty and one
thouſand and foure hundred and fifty throughout
their armies: and they ſhall ſet forth in the ſecond
ranke.
17 ¶ Then the Tabernacle of the Congregation
ſhall ſet forward, with the campe of the Leuites,
in the middeſt of the campe: as they encampe, ſo
ſhall they ſet forward, euery man in his place by
their ſtandards.
18 ¶ On the Weſt ſide ſhall bee the ſtandard of
the campe of Ephraim according to their armies:
and the captaine of the ſonnes of Ephraim *ſhall bee*
Eliſhama the ſonne of Ammihud.
19 And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of them, *were* fourty thouſand and fiue hundred.
20 And by him *ſhall bee* the tribe of Manaſſeh:
and the captaine of the children of Manaſſeh, ſhall
be Gamaliel the ſonne of Pedahzur.
21 And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of them, *were* thirty and two thouſand and two
hundred.
22 Then the tribe of Beniamin: and the cap-
taine of the ſonnes of Beniamin, *ſhall be* Abidan
the ſonne of Gideoni.
23 And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of them, *were* thirtie and fiue thouſand and foure
hundred.
24 All that were numbred of the campe of E-
phraim, *were* an hundred thouſand, and eight thou-
ſand and an hundred throughout their armies: and
they ſhall goe forward in the third ranke.
25 ¶ The ſtandard of the campe of Dan, *ſhall be*
on the North ſide by their armies: and the cap-
taine of the children of Dan, *ſhall be* Ahiezer the
ſonne of Ammiſhaddai.
26 And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of them, *were* threeſcore and two thouſand and ſe-
uen hundred.
27 And thoſe that encampe by him, ſhall bee the
tribe of Aſher: and the captaine of the children of
Aſher, *ſhall be* Pagiel the ſonne of Ocran.
28 And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of them *were* fourtie and one thouſand and fiue
hundred.
29 ¶ Then the tribe of Naphtali: and the cap-
taine of the children of Naphtali, *ſhall be* Ahira
the ſonne of Enan.
30 And his hoſte, and thoſe that were numbred
of them, *were* fiftie and three thouſand and foure
hundred.
31 All they that were numbred in the campe of
Dan, *were* an hundred thouſand, and fifty and ſe-
uen thouſand and ſixe hundred: they ſhall go hind-
moſt with their ſtandards.
32 ¶ Theſe *are* thoſe which were numbred of the
children of Iſrael, by the houſe of their fathers: all
thoſe that were numbred of the camps throughout
their hoſtes, *were* ſixe hundred thouſand and three
thouſand and fiue hundred and fifty.
33 But the Leuites were not numbred among the
children of Iſrael, as the LORD commanded Moſes.
34 And the children of Iſrael did according to
all that the LORD commanded Moſes: ſo they pit-
ched by their ſtandards, and ſo they ſet forward
euery one after their families, according to the
houſe of their fathers.

CHAP. III.

1 *The ſonnes of Aaron.* 5 *The Leuites are giuen to the Prieſts for the ſeruice of the Tabernacle,* 11 *in ſtead of the firſt borne:* 14 *The Leuites are numbred by their families.* 21 *The families number, and charge of the Ordinaries.* 27 *Of the Kohathites.*

33 *Of*

3 Of the Merarites. 38 The place and charge of Moſes and Aaron. 40 The firſt borne are freedly the Leuites. 44 The ouerplus are redeemed.

THeſe alſo are the generations of Aaron and Moſes in the day that the LORD ſpake with Moſes in mount Sinai.

2 And theſe *are* the names of the ſonnes of Aaron: Nadab the * firſt borne, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

* Exod. 6.23.

3 Theſe *are* the names of the ſonnes of Aaron the Prieſts, which were anointed, † whom hee conſecrated to miniſter in the Prieſts office.

† *Hebr. whoſe hand he filled.*

4 * And Nadab & Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered ſtrange fire before the LORD, in the wilderneſſe of Sinai, and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar miniſtred in the Prieſts office in the ſight of Aaron their father.

* Leuit. 10.1. cha. 26.61. 1. chron. 24.2.

5 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,

6 Bring the tribe of Leui neere, and preſent them before Aaron the Prieſt, that they may miniſter vnto him.

7 And they ſhall keepe his charge, and the charge of the whole Congregation, before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, to doe the ſeruice of the Tabernacle.

8 And they ſhall keep all the inſtruments of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the charge of the children of Iſrael, to doe the ſeruice of the Tabernacle.

9 And thou ſhalt giue the Leuites vnto Aaron, and to his ſonnes: they are wholly giuen vnto him out of the children of Iſrael.

10 And thou ſhalt appoint Aaron and his ſons, and they ſhall wait on their Prieſts office: and the ſtranger that commeth nigh, ſhall be put to death.

11 And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,

12 And I, behold, I haue taken the Leuites from among the children of Iſrael, inſtead of all the firſt borne that openeth the matrice, among the children of Iſrael: therefore the Leuites ſhall be mine,

* Exod. 13.1. Leuit. 27.26 chap. 8.16 Iuk. 2.23.

13 Becauſe all the firſt borne are mine: * *for* on the day that I ſmote all the firſt borne in the land of Egypt, I hallowed vnto me all the firſt borne in Iſrael, both man and beaſt, mine they ſhall bee: I *am* the LORD.

14 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes in the wilderneſſe of Sinai, ſaying,

15 Number the children of Leui, after the houſe of their fathers, by their families: euery male from a moneth old and vpward ſhalt thou number them.

* Geue. 46 11. exo. 6.16. chap. 26. 57.1. chr. 6.11.

16 And * Moſes numbred them according to the † word of the LORD as he was commanded.

† *Hebr. mouth.*

17 And theſe *were* the ſonnes of Leui, by their names: Gerſhon, and Kohath, and Merari.

18 And theſe are the names of the ſons of Gerſhon by their families: Libni, and Shimei.

19 And the ſonnes of Kohath by their families: Amram, and Izehar, Hebron, and Vzziel.

20 And the ſonnes of Merari by their families: Mahli, and Muſhi: theſe are the families of the Leuites, according to the houſe of their fathers.

21 Of Gerſhon *was* the families of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimites: theſe are the families of the Gerſhonites.

22 Thoſe that were numbred of them according to the number of all the males, from a moneth old and vpward, euen thoſe ‖ were numbred of them, *were* ſeuen thouſand and fiue hundred.

‖ *were* ſeuen thouſand and fiue hundred.

23 The families of the Gerſhonites ſhall pitch behind the Tabernacle Weſtward.

24 And the chiefe of the houſe of the father of the Gerſhonites, *ſhall be* Eliaſaph the ſon of Lael.

25 And the charge of the ſonnes of Ge the Tabernacle of the congregation, *ſhall* Tabernacle, and the tent, the couering th the hanging for the doore of the Taberna Congregation:

26 And the hangings of the Court, and taine for the doore of the Court, which is Tabernacle, and by the Altar round about coards of it, for all the ſeruice thereof.

27 ¶ And of Kohath *was* the family of th ramites, & the families of the Izeharites & mily of the Hebronites. & the family of th lites: theſe are the families of the Kohath

28 In the number of all the male, from a old and vpward, *were* eight thouſand, hundred, keeping the charge of the Sanctuary.

29 The families of the ſonnes of Kohath pitch on the ſide of the Tabernacle Southward.

30 And the chiefe of the houſe of the fa the families of the Kohathites *ſhall be* Eli the ſonne of Vzziel.

31 And their charge *ſhalbe* the Arke, and t ble, and the Candleſticke, and the Altars, a veſſels of the Sanctuary, wherewith they m and the hanging, and all the ſeruice thereof.

32 And Eleazar the ſonne of Aaron the P ſhall be chiefe ouer the chiefe of the Leuites *haue* the ouerſight of them that keepe the c of the Sanctuary.

33 ¶ Of Merari *was* the family of the Mah and the family of the Muſhites: theſe are th milies of Merari.

34 And theſe that were numbred of them ding to the number of all the males, from a old & vpward, *were* ſixe thouſand & two hun

35 And the chiefe of the houſe of the fath the families of Merari *was* Zuriel the ſonne hail: *theſe* ſhall pitch on the ſide of the Tab cle Northwards.

36 And † vnder the cuſtody and charge o ſonnes of Merari, *ſhall be* the boards of the Ta nacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars t and the ſockets thereof, and all the veſſels th and all that ſerueth thereto:

37 And the pillars of the court round about their ſockets, and their pins, and their cords.

38 ¶ But thoſe that encampe before the Ta nacle toward the Eaſt, *euen* before the Taberna of the Congregation Eaſtward *ſhalbe* Moſes & ron, & his ſons keeping the charge of the Sanctu for the charge of the children of Iſrael: and ſtranger that commeth nigh, ſhall be put to de

39 All that were numbred of the Leuites, wh Moſes and Aaron numbred at the Commandem of the LORD, throughout their families all males from a moneth old and vpward, *were* two and two thouſand.

40 ¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, Num all the firſt borne of the males of the children Iſrael, from a moneth old and vpward, and take number of their names.

41 And thou ſhalt take the Leuites for me the LORD) in ſtead of all the firſt borne among children of Iſrael, and the cattell of the Leuites ſtead of all the firſtlings among the cattell of children of Iſrael.

42 And Moſes numbred as † LORD comman him, all the firſt borne among the children of Iſ

43 And all the firſt borne males, by the numbe names from a moneth old & vpward, of thoſe were numbred of them, *were* twenty & two tho ſand two hundred and threeſcore and thirteene.

41 ¶ A

nd the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes ſaying,
e the Leuites in ſtead of all the firſt
ong the children of Iſrael, and the cattell
uites in ſtead of their cattell, and the Le-
be mine: I am the LORD.
d for thoſe that are to be redeemed of the
dred and threeſcore and thirteene, of the
e of the children of Iſrael, which are more
Leuites;
ou ſhalt euen take fiue ſhekels apiece, by
after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary ſhalt
e them: (the ſhekel is twenty gerahs.)
d thou ſhalt giue the money wherewith
e number of them is to be redeemed, vnto
od to his ſonnes.
nd Moſes tooke the redemption money, of
at were ouer and aboue them that were re-
by the Leuites.
f the firſt borne of the children of Iſrael
e the money, a thouſand three hundred and
re and fiue ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the
ty.
d Moſes gaue the money of them that were
ed vnto Aaron and to his ſonnes, according
word of the LORD, as the LORD comman-
ed.

CHAP. IIII.

The age and time of the Leuites ſeruice. 4 The ſeruice of the Kohathites when the Prieſts haue couered the Tabernacle. 16 The charge of Eleazar. 17 The office of the Prieſts. 21 The charge of the Gerſhonites. 29 The carriage of the ſame. 34 The number of the Kohathites, 38 Gerſhonites, 42 and of the Merarites.

d the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, and vnto
aron, ſaying,
ake the ſumme of the ſonnes of Kohath, from
the ſonnes of Leui, after their families, by
ſe of their fathers:
om thirty yeeres old and vpward, euen vntill
eres old, all that enter into the hoſte, to doe
ke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation.
his ſhall be the ſeruice of the ſonnes of Ko-
the Tabernacle of the Congregation, about
oſt holy things.
And when the campe ſetteth forward, Aaron
ome and his ſonnes, and they ſhall take down
ering Vaile, and couer the Arke of Teſti-
with it:
nd ſhall put thereon the couering of bag-
ins, and ſhall ſpread ouer it a cloth wholly
e, and ſhall put in the ſtaues thereof.
And vpon the * table of Shewbread, they ſhall
a cloth of blew, and put thereon the diſhes,
e ſpoones, and the bowles, and couers to
r withall: and the continuall bread ſhalbe
on.
And they ſhall ſpread vpon them a cloth of
t, and couer the ſame with a couering of
rſkins, and ſhall put in the ſtaues thereof.
nd they ſhall take a cloth of blew, and coner
candleſticke of the light, and his lampes, and
ngs, * And his ſnuffe-diſhes, and all the oyle
s thereof, wherewith they miniſter vnto it.
nd they ſhall put it, and all the veſſels there-
thin a couering of badgers ſkinnes, and ſhall
vpon a barre.
And vpon the golden Altar they ſhall ſpread
th of blew, and couer it with a couering of
rſkinnes, and ſhall put to the ſtaues thereof.
nd they ſhall take all the inſtruments of mi-
, wherewith they miniſter in the Sanctuary,
and put them in a cloth of blew, and couer them with a couering of badgers ſkinnes, and ſhall put them on a barre.
13 And they ſhall take away the aſhes from the Altar, and ſpread a purple cloth thereon:
14 And they ſhall put vpon it all the veſſels thereof, wherwith they miniſter about it, euen the cenſers, the fleſh-hookes, and the ſhouels, and the ‖ baſins, all the veſſels of the Altar, and they ſhall ſpread vpon it a couering of badgers ſkinnes, and put to the ſtaues of it. ‖ Or, bowles.
15 And when Aaron and his ſonnes haue made an end of couering the Sanctuary, and all the veſſels of the Sanctuary, as the campe is to ſet forward: after that the ſonnes of Kohath ſhal come to beare it, but they ſhall not touch any holy thing, leſt they die. Theſe things are the burden of the ſonnes of Kohath in the Tabernacle of the Congregation.
16 ¶ And to the office of Eleazar the ſonne of Aaron the Prieſt pertaineth the oyle for the light, and the *ſweet incenſe, and the daily meat offering, and * the anoynting oyle, and the ouerſight of all the Tabernacle, and of all that therein is, in the Sanctuary, and in the veſſels thereof. * Exod. 30.34. * Exod. 30.23.
17 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, and vnto Aaron, ſaying,
18 Cut ye not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Leuites.
19 But thus doe vnto them, that they may liue, and not die: when they approch vnto the moſt holy things, Aaron and his ſonnes ſhall goe in, and appoint them euery one to his ſeruice, and to his burden.
20 But they ſhall not goe in to ſee when the holy things are couered, leſt they die.
21 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
22 Take alſo the ſum of the ſonnes of Gerſhon, throughout the houſes of their fathers by their families.
23 From thirty yeeres old and vpward, vntill fiftie yeeres old ſhalt thou number them: all that enter in † to performe the ſeruice, to doe the worke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation. † Hebr. to war the warfare.
24 This is the ſeruice of the families of the Gerſhonites, to ſerue, and for ‖ burdens. ‖ Or, carriage.
25 And they ſhall beare the curtaines of the Tabernacle, and the Tabernacle of the Congregation, his couering, and the couering of the badgers ſkins that is aboue vpon it, and the hanging for the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation:
26 And the hangings of the Court, and the hanging for the doore of the gate of the Court which is by the Tabernacle, and by the Altar round about, and their coards, and all the inſtruments of their ſeruice, and all that is made for them: ſo ſhall they ſerue.
27 At the † appointment of Aaron and his ſonnes, ſhall be all the ſeruice of the ſonnes of the Gerſhonites, in all their burdens and in all their ſeruice: and yee ſhall appoint vnto them in charge all their burdens. † Hebr. mouth.
28 This is the ſeruice of the families of the ſons of Gerſhon, in the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and their charge ſhalbe vnder the hand of Ithamar the ſonne of Aaron the Prieſt.
29 ¶ As for the ſonnes of Merari, thou ſhalt number them after their families by the houſe of their fathers:
30 From thirty yeeres old and vpward, euen vnto fiftie yeeres old ſhalt thou number them: euery one that entereth into the † ſeruice, to do the worke of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. † Hebr. warfare.

31 And

31 And this *is* the charge of their burden, according to all their ſeruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, * the boards of the Tebernacle, and the barres thereof, and the pillars thereof, and ſockets thereof:

*Exod. 26.15.

32 And the pillars of the Court round about, and their ſockets, and their pins, and their cords, with all their inſtruments, and with all their ſeruice: and by name ye ſhall reckon the inſtruments of the charge of their burden.

33 This *is* the ſeruice of the families of the ſons of Merari, according to all their ſeruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, vnder the hand of Ithamar, the ſonne of Aaron the Prieſt.

34 ¶ And Moſes and Aaron, and the chiefe of the Congregation, numbred the ſonnes of the Kohathites, after their families, and after the houſe of their fathers:

35 From thirty yeeres old and vpward, euen vnto fifty yeeres old, euery one that entreth into the ſeruice, for the worke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

36 And thoſe that were numbred of them by their families, were two thouſand ſeuen hundred and fifty.

37 Theſe were they that were numbred of the families of the Kohathites, all that might do ſeruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, which Moſes and Aaron did number, according to the commandement of the LORD by the hand of Moſes.

38 And thoſe that were numbred of the ſonnes of Gerſhon, throughout their families, and by the houſe of their fathers:

39 From thirty yeeres old and vpward, euen vnto fifty yeeres old, euery one that entreth into the ſeruice, for the worke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation:

40 Euen thoſe that were numbred of them, throwout their families, by the houſes of their fathers, were two thouſand & ſix hundred and thirty.

41 Theſe are they that were numbred of the families of the ſonnes of Gerſhon, of all that might do ſeruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, whom Moſes and Aaron did number, according to the commandement of the LORD.

42 ¶ And thoſe that were numbred of the families of the ſonnes of Merari, throwout their families, by the houſe of their fathers:

43 From thirty yeeres old and vpward, euen vnto fifty yeeres old, euery one that entreth into the ſeruice, for the worke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation:

44 Euen thoſe that were numbred of them after their families, *were* three thouſand and two hundred.

45 Theſe be thoſe that were numbred of the families of the ſonnes of Merari, whom Moſes and Aaron numbred, according to the Word of the LORD by the hand of Moſes.

46 All thoſe that were numbred of the Leuites, whom Moſes and Aaron, and the chiefe of Iſrael numbred, after their families, and after the houſe of their fathers:

47 From thirty yeeres old and vpward, euen vnto fifty yeeres old, euery one that came to doe the ſeruice of the miniſtery, and the ſeruice of the burden in the Tabernacle of the Congregation:

48 Euen thoſe that were numbred of them, were eight thouſand and fiue hundred and fourtéſcore.

49 According to the Commandement of the LORD, they were numbred by the hand of Moſes, euery one according to his ſeruice, and according to his burden: thus were they numbred of the LORD commanded Moſes.

CHAP. V.

1 The vncleane are remooued out of the 5 Reſtitution is to bee made in treſpaſſe. 11 triall of iealouſie.

AND the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
2 Command the children of Iſrael, that * put out of the campe euery Leper, and euery that hath an * Iſſue, and whoſoeuer is defiled * dead:

3 Both male and female ſhall ye put out, the campe ſhall yee put them, that they defile their campes in the midſt where I dwell.

4 And the children of Iſrael did ſo, and them out without the campe: as the LORD vnto Moſes, ſo did the children of Iſrael.

5 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
6 Speake vnto the children of Iſrael, When man or woman ſhall commit any ſin that men mit to doe a treſpaſſe againſt the LORD, and perſon be guilty;

7 Then they ſhall confeſſe their ſinne which haue done: and he ſhall recompence his tre * with the principall thereof, and adde vnto ſiſt part thereof, and giue it vnto him againſt he hath treſpaſſed.

8 But if the man haue no kinſeman to re pence the treſpaſſe vnto, let the treſpaſſe be penſed vnto the LORD, *euen* to the Prieſt the ram of the atonement, whereby an atone ſhalbe made for him.

9 And euery ſ offering of all the holy thi the children of Iſrael, which they bring vn Prieſt, ſhalbe his.

10 And euery mans hallowed things ſh his: whatſoeuer any man giueth the Prieſt, bee * his.

11 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſay
12 Speake vnto the children of Iſrael, a vnto them, If any mans wife goe aſide, and a treſpaſſe againſt him:

13 And a man lie with her carnally, and it from the eyes of her husband, and be kept cl ſhe be defiled, and there be no witnes againſt neither ſhe be taken *with the* maner;

14 And the ſpirit of iealouſie come vpon he be iealous of his wife, and ſhe be defiled the ſpirit of iealouſie come vpon him, and he iealous of his wife, and ſhe be not defiled:

15 Then ſhall the man bring his wife vn Prieſt, and hee ſhall bring her offering for he tenth part of an Ephah of barley meale: he powre no oyle vpon it, nor put frankincenſe on; for it is an offering of iealouſie, an offeri memoriall, bringing iniquity to remembra

16 And the Prieſt ſhall bring her neere, an her before the LORD.

17 And the Prieſt ſhall take holy water earthen veſſell, and of the duſt that is in the of the Tabernacle, the Prieſt ſhall take and p into the water:

18 And the Prieſt ſhall ſet the woman before LORD, and vncouer the woman's head, and p offering of memoriall in her hands, which iealouſie offering, and the Prieſt ſhall haue hand the bitter water that cauſeth the curſe.

19 And the Prieſt ſhal charge her, and ſay vnto the woman, If no man haue lien with and if thou haſt not gone aſide to vnclean *with another* in ſtead of thy husband, be thou from this bitter water that cauſeth the curſe.

But if thou hast gone aside to another in stead
husband, and if thou bee defiled, and some
ath lien with thee beside thine husband:
Then the Priest shall charge the woman with
h of cursing, and the Priest shall say vnto the
n, The LORD make thee a curse, and an oath
g thy people, when the LORD doeth make thy
to † rot, and thy belly to swell.
And this water that causeth the curse, shall go
hy bowels, to make thy belly to swell, and thy
to rot: & the woman shall say, Amen, Amen.
nd ¶ Priest shal write these curses in a booke,
e shall blot them out with the bitter water:
And hee shall cause the woman to drinke the
water that causeth the curse: and the water
nseth the curse, shall enter into her, and be-
bitter.
Then the Priest shall take the iealousie offe-
out of the womans hand, and shall waue the
before the LORD & offer it vpon the Altar.
And the Priest shall take a handfull of the
g, euen the memoriall thereof, and burne it
he Altar, and afterward shall cause the wo-
drinke the water.
And when hee hath made her to drinke the
then it shall come to passe, that if she be de-
nd haue done trespasse against her husband,
e water that causeth the curse, shall enter in-
and become bitter, and her belly shall swell,
thigh shall rot: and the woman shall be a
mong her people.
nd if ¶ woman be not defiled, but be cleane,
e shall be free, and shall conceiue seed.
his is ¶ Law of iealousies, when a wife goeth
another in stead of her husband, & is defiled:
r when the spirit of iealousie commeth vpon
d hee be iealous ouer his wife, and shall set
man before the LORD, and the Priest shall
vpon her all this Law:
hen shall the man bee guiltelesse from ini-
nd this woman shall beare her iniquity.

CHAP. VI.

The Law of the Nazarites. 22 The forme of the people.

d the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say
m, When either man or woman shall sepa-
mselues to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to
themselues vnto the LORD:
shall separate himselfe from wine, & strong
nd shall drinke no vineger of wine, or vi-
strong drinke, neither shall he drinke any
f grapes, nor eat moyst grapes, or dryed.
the dayes of his ‖ separation shall he eate
that is made of the † vine tree, from the
euen to the huske.
the dayes of the vow of his separation,
ll no † rasor come vpon his head: vntill the
e fulfilled in the which hee separateth him-
o the LORD, he shall be holy, and shall let
es of the haire of his head grow.
the dayes that he separateth himselfe vnto
D, he shall come at no dead body.
e shall not make himselfe vncleane for his
r for his mother, for his brother, or for his
en they die: because the † consecration of
is vpon his head.
the dayes of his separation he is holy vn-
ORD.
if any man die very suddenly by him, and
defiled the head of his consecration, then
ue his head in the day of his cleansing,
on the seuenth day shall hee shaue it.
10 And on the eighth day he shall bring two turtles, or two yong pigeons to the Priest, to the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation:
11 And the Priest shall offer the one for a sinne offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and make an atonement for him, for that he sinned by the dead, and shall hallow his head that same day.
12 And hee shall consecrate vnto the LORD the dayes of his separation, and shall bring a lambe of the first yeere for a trespasse offering: but the dayes that were before shall be † lost, because his separation was defiled. † Heb. fall.
13 ¶ And this is the Law of the Nazarite: When the dayes of his separation are fulfilled; he shal be brought vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.
14 And he shall offer his offring vnto the LORD, one hee-lambe of the first yere without blemish for a burnt offering, and one ewe Lambe of the first yeere without blemish for a sinne offering, and one lambe without blemish for peace offerings,
15 And a basket of vnleauened bread, cakes of fine flowre mingled with oyle, and wafers of vnleauened bread, anointed with oyle, and their meat offering, and their drinke offerings.
16 And the Priest shall bring them before the LORD, and shall offer his sinne offering, and his burnt offering.
17 And he shall offer the ramme for a sacrifice of peace offerings vnto the LORD, with the basket of vnleauened bread: the Priest shall offer also his meat offering, and his drinke offering.
18 And * the Nazarite shall shaue the head of his separation, at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall take the haire of the head of his separation, and put it in the fire, which is vnder the sacrifice of the peace offerings. * Act. 21. 24.
19 And the Priest shall take the sodden shoulder of the ramme, and one vnleauened cake out of the basket, and one vnleauened wafer, and shall put them vpon the hands of the Nazarite, after the haire of his separation is shauen.
20 And the Priest shall waue them * for a waue offering before the LORD: this is holy for the Priest, with the waue breast, and heaue shoulder: and after that the Nazarite may drinke wine. * Exod. 29. 27.
21 This is the Law of the Nazarite, who hath vowed, and of his offering vnto the LORD for his separation, beside that that his hand shall get: according to the vow which he vowed, so he must doo after the Law of his separation.
22 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
23 Speake vnto Aaron, and vnto his sons, saying, On this wise yee shall blesse the children of Israel, saying vnto them:
24 The LORD blesse thee, and keepe thee:
25 The LORD make his face shine vpon thee, and be gracious vnto thee:
26 The LORD lift vp his countenance vpon thee, and giue thee peace.
27 And they shall put my Name vpon the children of Israel, and I will blesse them.

CHAP. VII.

1 The offering of the Princes at the dedication of the Tabernacle: 10 Their seuerall offerings at the dedication of the Altar. 89 God speaketh to Moses from the Mercy seat.

AND it came to passe on the day that Moses had fully * set vp the Tabernacle, and had anointed it, and sanctified it, and all the instruments thereof, both the Altar, and all the vessels thereof, * Exod. 40. 18.

and had anointed them, and ſanctified them:

2 That the Princes of Iſrael, heads of the houſe of their fathers, (who were ſ Princes of the tribes, † and were ouer them that were numbred) offered:

† Hebr. who ſtood.

3 And they brought their offering before the LORD, ſixe couered wagons, and twelue oxen: a wagon for two of the Princes, and for each one an oxe, and they brought them before the Tabernacle.

4 And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,

5 Take it of them, that they may bee to doe the ſeruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and thou ſhalt giue them vnto the Leuites, to euery man according to his ſeruice.

6 And Moſes tooke the wagons, and the oxen, and gaue them vnto the Leuites.

7 Two wagons and foure oxen he gaue vnto the ſonnes of Gerſhon, according to their ſeruice.

8 And foure wagons, and eight oxen, hee gaue vnto the ſonnes of Merari, according to their ſeruice, vnder the hand of Ithamar, the ſonne of Aaron the Prieſt.

9 But vnto the ſonnes of Kohath hee gaue none: becauſe the ſeruice of the Sanctuary belonging vnto them, was that they ſhould beare vpon their ſhoulders.

10 ¶ And the Princes offered for dedicating of the Altar in the day that it was anointed, euen the Princes offered their offering before the Altar.

11 And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, They ſhall offer their offering, each Prince on his day, for the dedicating of the Altar.

12 ¶ And hee that offered his offering the firſt day, was Nahſhon the ſonne of Amminadab, of the tribe of Iudah:

13 And his offering was one ſiluer charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary: both of them were full of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a * meat offering:

* Lenit. 2.1.

14 One ſpoone of ten ſhekels of gold, full of incenſe:

15 One young bullocke, one ramme, one lambe of the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

* Lenit. 4.23.

16 One kid of the goates for a * ſinne offering:

17 And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, fiue rams, fiue hee-goates, fiue lambes of the firſt yeere. This was the offering of Nahſhon the ſonne of Amminadab.

18 ¶ On the ſecond day Nethaneel the ſonne of Zuar, Prince of Iſſachar did offer.

19 He offered for his offering one ſiluer charger the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary, both of them full of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

20 One ſpoone of gold of ten *ſhekels*, full of incenſe:

21 One yong bullocke, one ram, one lambe of the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

22 One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering:

23 And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, fiue rams, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes of the firſt yeere. This was the offering of Nethaneel the ſonne of Zuar.

24 ¶ On the third day Eliab the ſonne of Helon, Prince of the children of Zebulun *did offer*.

25 His offring was one ſiluer charger the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary: both of them full of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

26 One golden ſpoon of ten *ſhekels*, ful of incenſe:

27 One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lamb the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

28 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering:

29 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, fiue rams, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambs of the firſt This was the offering of Eliab the ſonne of

30 ¶ On the fourth day Elizur the ſonne deur, Prince of the children of Reuben, did

31 His offering was one ſiluer charger of dred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary them full of fine flowre mingled with oyle meat offering:

32 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, incenſe:

33 One young bullocke, one ramme, one of the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

34 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering:

35 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, oxen fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes firſt yere. This was the offring of Elizur the of Shedeur.

36 ¶ On the fifth day, Shelumiel the ſon of ſhaddai, Prince of the children of Simeon did

37 His offring was one ſiluer charger, the whereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, ner bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the the Sanctuary: both of them full of fine mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

38 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, incenſe:

39 One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lam the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

40 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering

41 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings oxen, fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes firſt yeere. This was the offering of Shelumi ſonne of Zuriſhaddai.

42 ¶ On the ſixth day Eliaſaph the ſon of D Prince of the children of Gad offered.

43 His offering was one ſiluer charger, weight of an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, a bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel Sanctuary: both of them full of fine flowre with oyle for a meat offering:

44 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, incenſe:

45 One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lam the firſt yeere for a burnt offering.

46 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering

47 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings oxen, fiue rammes, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes firſt yeere. This was the offering of Eliaſ ſonne of Deuel.

48 ¶ On the ſeuenth day Eliſhama the ſonn miud, Prince of the children of Ephraim

49 His offring was one ſiluer charg weight whereof was an hundred and thirty one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the of the Sanctuary: both of them full of fine mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

50 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, incenſe:

51 One young bullocke, one ramme, one lam the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

52 One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering

53 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings oxen, fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes firſt yeere. This was the offering of Eliſha ſonne of Ammiud.

54 ¶ On the eighth day offered Gamaliel of Pedazur, Prince of the children of Manaſ

His offering was one siluer charger of an hun-
and thirty *shekels*, one siluer bowle of seuen-
shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, both
hem full of fine floure mingled with oyle, for a
e offering:
One golden spoone of ten *shekels*, full of in-
e:
One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lambe of
first yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a sinne offering:
And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two
, fiue rams, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Gamaliel the
ne of Pedazur.
¶ On the ninth day, Abidan the sonne of Gi-
ni, Prince of the children of Beniamin, *offered*.
His offering was one siluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, a siluer
le of seuenty shekels, after the shekel of the
ctuary, both of them full of fine floure mingled
oyle, for a meat offering:
One golden spoone of ten *shekels*, full of in-
e:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
first yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a sinne offering:
And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two
fiue rammes, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Abidan the
e of Gideoni.
¶ On the tenth day, Ahiezer the son of Ammi-
dai, Prince of the children of Dan, *offered*.
His offering was one siluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one sil-
bowle of seuenty shekels, after the shekel of
anctuary, both of them full of fine floure min-
with oyle for a meat offering:
One golden spoone of ten *shekels*, full of in-
e:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
first yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a sinne offering:
And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two
fiue rams, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Ahiezer the
e of Ammihaddai.
¶ On the eleuenth day, Pagiel the sonne of
n, Prince of the children of Asher, *offered*.
His offering was one siluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one sil-
bowle of seuenty shekels, after the shekel of
anctuary, both of them full of fine floure min-
with oyle for a meat offering:
One golden spoone of ten *shekels*, full of in-
e:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
first yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a sinne offering:
And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two
fiue rams, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Pagiel the son
Ocran.
¶ On the twelfth day, Ahira the son of Enan,
ce of the children of Naphtali, *offered*.
His offering was one siluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one sil-
bowle of seuenty shekels, after the shekel of
anctuary, both of them full of fine floure min-
with oyle for a meat offering:
One golden spoone of ten *shekels*, full of in-
e:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
the first yeere for a burnt offering.
82 One kid of the goates for a sinne offering:
83 And for a sacrifice of peace offrings, two oxen,
fiue rams, fiue he goats, fiue lambes of the first yeere.
This was the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.
84 This was the dedication of the Altar (in the
day when it was anointed) by the Princes of Is-
rael: twelue chargers of siluer, twelue siluer bowls,
twelue spoones of gold.
85 Each charger of siluer *weighing* an hundred
and thirty *shekels*, each bowle seuenty: all the sil-
uer vessels weighed two thousand and foure hun-
dred *shekels*, after the shekel of the Sanctuary.
86 The golden spoones *were* twelue, full of in-
cense, *weighing* ten *shekels* apiece, after the shekel
of the Sanctuary: all the gold of the spoones *was*
an hundred and twenty *shekels*.
87 All the oxen for the burnt offring, *were* twelue
bullocks, the rammes twelue, the lambes of the first
yeere twelue, with their meat offering, and the
kids of the goats for sin offering, twelue.
88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace
offerings, *were* twenty and foure bullocks, the rams
sixty, the hee goats sixty, the lambes of the first yeere
sixty. This *was* the dedication of the Altar, after
that it was anointed.
89 And when Moses was gone into the Taberna-
cle of the Congregation to speake with him, then
he heard the voyce of one speaking vnto him from
off the Mercy seat, that *was* vpon the Arke of Te-
stimony, from betweene the two Cherubims: and
he spake vnto him. *1 Thes. ij. God.*

CHAP. VIII.

1 How the lampes are to be lighted. 5 The consecration of the Leuites. 23 The age and time of their seruice.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Speake vnto Aaron, and say vnto him,
When thou * lightest the lampes, the seuen lampes
shall giue light ouer against the Candlesticke. * Exod. 25.37. & 40.25.
3 And Aaron did so: he lighted the lamps there-
of ouer against the Candlestick, as the LORD
* commanded Moses. * Exod. 25.31.
4 And this worke of the Candlestick *was* of
beaten gold, vnto the shaft thereof, vnto the figures
thereof, was * beaten worke: according vnto the
patterne which the LORD had shewed Moses, so hee
made the Candlestick. * Exod. 25.18.
5 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses saying,
6 Take the Leuites from among the children of
Israel, and cleanse them.
7 And thus shalt thou doe vnto them, to cleanse
them: sprinkle water of purifying vpon them, and
† let them shaue all their flesh, and let them wash
their clothes, and so make themselues cleane. † Hebr. *les them cause a rasor to passe ouer, &c.*
8 Then let them take a yong bullocke with his
meat offring, *euen* fine flowre mingled with oyle,
and another young bullocke shalt thou take for a
sinne offering.
9 And thou shalt bring the Leuites before the
Tabernacle of the Congregation: and thou shalt
gather the whole assembly of the children of Israel
together.
10 And thou shalt bring the Leuites before the † Hebr. *waue.*
LORD, and the children of Israel shall put their
hands vpon the Leuites. † Hebr. *waue of-fering.*
11 And Aaron shall † offer the Leuites before the
LORD, for an † offering of the children of Israel,
that † they may execute the seruice of the LORD. † Hebr. *they may be to execute, &c.*
12 And the Leuites shall lay their hands vpon the
heads of the bullocks: and thou shalt offer the one
for a sinne offering, and the other for a burnt

and had anointed them, and ſanctified them:

2 That the Princes of Iſrael, heads of the houſe of their fathers, (who were § Princes of the tribes, † and were ouer them that were numbred) offered:

§ Hebr. who ſtood.

3 And they brought their offering before the LORD, ſixe couered wagons, and twelue oxen: a wagon for two of the Princes, and for each one an oxe, and they brought them before the Tabernacle.

4 And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,

5 Take it of them, that they may bee to doe the ſeruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and thou ſhalt giue them vnto the Leuites, to euery man according to his ſeruice.

6 And Moſes tooke the wagons, and the oxen, and gaue them vnto the Leuites.

7 Two wagons and foure oxen he gaue vnto the ſonnes of Gerſhon, according to their ſeruice.

8 And foure wagons, and eight oxen, hee gaue vnto the ſonnes of Merari, according to their ſeruice, vnder the hand of Ithamar, the ſonne of Aaron the Prieſt.

9 But vnto the ſonnes of Kohath hee gaue none: becauſe the ſeruice of the Sanctuary belonging vnto them, was that they ſhould beare vpon their ſhoulders.

10 ¶ And the Princes offered for dedicating of the Altar in the day that it was anointed, euen the Princes offered their offering before the Altar.

11 And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, They ſhall offer their offering, each Prince on his day, for the dedicating of the Altar.

12 ¶ And hee that offered his offering the firſt day, was Nahſhon the ſonne of Amminadab, of the tribe of Iudah:

13 And his offering was one ſiluer charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary: both of them were full of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

* Leuit. 2.1.

14 One ſpoone of ten ſhekels of gold, full of incenſe:

15 One young bullocke, one ramme, one lambe of the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

* Leuit. 4.23.

16 One kid of the goates for a * ſinne offering:

17 And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, fiue rams, fiue hee-goates, fiue lambes of the firſt yeere. This was the offering of Nahſhon the ſonne of Amminadab.

18 ¶ On the ſecond day Nethaneel the ſonne of Zuar, Prince of Iſſachar did offer.

19 He offered for his offering one ſiluer charger the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary, both of them full of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

20 One ſpoone of gold of ten *ſhekels*, full of incenſe:

21 One yong bullocke, one ram, one lambe of the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

22 One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering:

23 And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, fine rams, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes of the firſt yeere. This was the offering of Nethaneel the ſonne of Zuar.

24 ¶ On the third day Eliab the ſonne of Helon, Prince of the children of Zebulun *did offer*.

25 His offring was one ſiluer charger the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary: both of them full of fine flowre mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

26 One golden ſpoon of ten *ſhekels*, ful of incenſe:

27 One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lam
the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

28 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offerin

29 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, two
fiue rams, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambs of the firſt
This was the offering of Eliab the ſonne of Hel

30 ¶ On the fourth day Elizur the ſonne of
deur, Prince of the children of Reuben, did offer

31 His offering was one ſiluer charger of an
dred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of
ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary both
them full of fine flowre mingled with oyle fo
meat offering:

32 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, ful
incenſe:

33 One young bullocke, one ramme, one la
of the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

34 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering:

35 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, two
oxen fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes of
firſt yere. This was the offring of Elizur the ſo
of Shedeur.

36 ¶ On the fifth day, Shelumiel the ſon of Z
ſhaddai, Prince of the children of Simeon did

37 His offring was one ſiluer charger the wei
whereof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one
ner bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhek
the Sanctuary: both of them full of fine flo
mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

38 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, ful
incenſe:

39 One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lam
the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

40 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering

41 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, two
oxen, fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes
firſt yeere. This was the offering of Shelumiel
ſonne of Zuriſhaddai.

42 ¶ On the ſixth day Eliaſaph the ſon of D
Prince of the children of Gad *offered*.

43 His offering was one ſiluer charger, of
weight of an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, a ſi
bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel o
Sanctuary: both of them full of fine flowre mi
with oyle for a meat offering:

44 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, ful
incenſe:

45 One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lam
the firſt yeere for a burnt offering.

46 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering

47 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, two
oxen, fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes
firſt yeere. This was the offering of Eliaſaph
ſonne of Deuel.

48 ¶ On the ſeuenth day Eliſhama the ſon
miud, Prince of the children of Ephraim offe

49 His offering was one ſiluer charger,
weight whereof was an hundred and thirty,
one ſiluer bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the
of the Sanctuary: both of them full of fine
mingled with oyle for a meat offering:

50 One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, ful
incenſe:

51 One young bullocke, one ramme, one la
the firſt yeere for a burnt offering:

52 One kid of the goats for a ſinne offrin

53 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, two
oxen, fiue rammes, fiue hee-goats, fiue lambes
firſt yeere. This was the offering of Eliſha
ſonne of Ammiud.

54 ¶ On the eighth day *offered* Gamaliel
of Pedazur, Prince of the children of Manaſ

His offering was one ſiluer charger of an hun-
d and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſiluer bowle of ſeuen-
ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary, both
them full of fine floure mingled with oyle, for a
at offering:
One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, full of in-
ſe:
One yong bullocke, one ramme, one lambe of
firſt yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering:
And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two
en, fiue rams, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
t yeere. This was the offering of Gamaliel the
ne of Pedazur.
¶ On the nineth day, Abidan the ſonne of Gi-
oni, Prince of the children of Beniamin, *offered*.
His offering was one ſiluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, a ſiluer
wle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of the
nctuary, both of them full of fine floure mingled
h oyle, for a meat offering:
One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, full of in-
ſe:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
firſt yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering:
And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two
fiue rammes, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Abidan the
n of Gideoni.
¶ On the tenth day, Ahiezer the ſon of Ammi-
ddai, Prince of the children of Dan, *offered*.
His offering was one ſiluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſil-
bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of
Sanctuary, both of them full of fine floure min-
d with oyle for a meat offering:
One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, full of in-
ſe:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
firſt yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering:
And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two
, fiue rams, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Ahiezer the
n of Ammiſhaddai.
¶ On the eleuenth day, Pagiel the ſonne of
an, Prince of the children of Aſher, *offered*.
His offering was one ſiluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſil-
bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of
Sanctuary, both of them full of fine floure min-
d with oyle for a meat offering:
One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, full of in-
ſe:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of
firſt yeere for a burnt offering:
One kid of the goats for a ſinne offering:
And for a ſacrifice of peace offerings, two
, fiue rams, fiue hee goats, fiue lambes of the
yeere. This was the offering of Pagiel the ſon
Ocran.
¶ On the twelfth day, Ahira the ſon of Enan,
ce of the children of Naphtali, *offered*.
His offring was one ſiluer charger, the weight
reof was an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, one ſil-
bowle of ſeuenty ſhekels, after the ſhekel of
Sanctuary, both of them full of fine floure min-
with oyle for a meat offering:
One golden ſpoone of ten *ſhekels*, full of in-
ſe:
One young bullocke, one ram, one lambe of

the firſt yeere for a burnt offering.
82 One kid of the goates for a ſinne offering:
83 And for a ſacrifice of peace offrings, two oxen, fiue rams, fiue he goats, fiue lambs of the firſt yeere. This was the offering of Ahira the ſon of Enan.
84 This was the dedication of the Altar (in the day when it was anointed) by the Princes of Iſraell twelue chargers of ſiluer, twelue ſiluer bowls, twelue ſpoones of gold.
85 Each charger of ſiluer *weighing* an hundred and thirty *ſhekels*, each bowle ſeuenty: all the ſiluer veſſels weighed two thouſand and foure hundred *ſhekels*, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary.
86 The golden ſpoones *were* twelue, full of incenſe, *weighing* ten *ſhekels* apiece, after the ſhekel of the Sanctuary: all the gold of the ſpoones *was* an hundred and twenty *ſhekels*.
87 All the oxen for † burnt offring, *were* twelue bullocks, the rammes twelue, the lambes of the firſt yeere twelue, with their meat offering, and the kids of the goats for ſin offering, twelue.
88 And all the oxen for the ſacrifice of the peace offrings, *were* twenty and foure bullocks, the rams ſixty, the hee goats ſixty, the lambes of the firſt yeere ſixty. This *was* the dedication of the Altar, after that it was anointed.
89 And when Moſes was gone into the Tabernacle of the Congregation to ſpeake with him, then he heard the voyce of one ſpeaking vnto him from off the Mercy ſeat, that *was* vpon the Arke of Teſtimony, from betweene the two Cherubims: and he ſpake vnto him. *Iſai. 30. God.*

CHAP. VIII.

1 *How the lampes are to be lighted.* 5 *The conſecration of the Leuites.* 23 *The age and time of their ſeruice.*

AND the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
2 Speake vnto Aaron, and ſay vnto him, When thou * lighteſt the lampes, the ſeuen lampes ſhall giue light ouer againſt the Candleſticke. * Exod. 25.37. & 40.25.
3 And Aaron did ſo: he lighted the lamps thereof ouer againſt the Candleſticke, as the LORD * commanded Moſes. * Exod. 25.31.
4 And this worke of the Candleſticke *was* of beaten gold, vnto the ſhaft thereof, vnto the floures thereof, was * beaten worke: according vnto the patterne which the LORD had ſhewed Moſes, ſo hee made the Candleſticke. * Exod. 25.18.
5 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes ſaying,
6 Take the Leuites from among the children of Iſrael, and cleanſe them.
7 And thus ſhalt thou doe vnto them, to cleanſe them: ſprinkle water of purifying vpon them, and † let them ſhaue all their fleſh, and let them waſh their clothes, and ſo make themſelues cleane. † *Hebr. let them cauſe a razor to paſſe ouer, &c.*
8 Then let them take a yong bullocke with his meat offring, *euen* fine flowre mingled with oyle, and another young bullocke ſhalt thou take for a ſinne offering.
9 And thou ſhalt bring the Leuites before the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and thou ſhalt gather the whole aſſembly of the children of Iſrael together.
10 And thou ſhalt bring the Leuites before the LORD, and the children of Iſrael ſhall put their hands vpon the Leuites. † *Hebr. waue.*
11 And Aaron ſhall offer the Leuites before the LORD, for an † offering of the children of Iſrael, that † they may execute the ſeruice of the LORD. † *Hebr. ſeruing.* † *Hebr. they may be to execute, &c.*
12 And the Leuites ſhall lay their hands vpon the heads of the bullocks: and thou ſhalt offer the one for a ſinne offering, and the other for a burnt

offering vnto the LORD, to make an atonement for the Leuites.

13 And thou shalt set the Leuites before Aaron, and before his sonnes, and offer them for an offring vnto the LORD.

14 Thus shalt thou separate the Leuites from among the children of Israel: and the Leuites shall be * mine.

* Chap. 3.45.

15 And after that shall the Leuites goe in, to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and thou shalt cleanse them, and offer them for an offering:

16 For they are wholly giuen vnto mee, from among the children of Israel: in stead of such as open euery wombe, *euen in stead of the first borne of all the children of Israel, haue I taken them vnto mee.

* Chap. 3.13. exo. 13.2. luk. 2.23.

17 For all the first borne of the children of Israel are mine, both man and beast: on the day that I smote euery first borne in the land of Egypt, I sanctified them for my selfe.

18 And I haue taken the Leuites for all the first borne of the children of Israel.

19 And I haue giuen the Leuites as a † gift to Aaron and to his sonnes, from among the children of Israel, to doe the seruice of the children of Israel, in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and to make an atonement for the children of Israel: that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh vnto the Sanctuary.

† Hebr. giuen.

20 And Moses and Aaron, and all the Congregation of the children of Israel did to the Leuites, according vnto all that the LORD commanded Moses concerning the Leuites, so did the children of Israel vnto them.

21 And the Leuites were purified, and they washed their clothes: and Aaron offered them as an offering before the LORD, and Aaron made an atonement for them to cleanse them.

22 And after that went the Leuites in to doe their seruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, before Aaron and before his sonnes: as the LORD had commanded Moses concerning the Leuites, so did they vnto them.

23 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

24 This is it that belongeth vnto the Leuites: from twenty and fiue yeeres old and vpward, they shall goe in † to waite vpon the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

† Hebr. to warre the warfare of, &c.

25 And from the age of fiftie yeeres they shall † cease waiting vpon the service thereof, and shall serue no more:

† Hebr. returne from the warfare of the service.

26 But shall minister with their brethren in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, to keepe the charge, and shall doe no seruice: thus shalt thou doe vnto the Leuites touching their charge.

CHAP. IX.

1 The Passouer is commanded againe. 6 A second Passouer allowed for them that were vncleane, or absent. 15 The cloud guideth the remouings and encampings of the Israelites.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses in the wildernesse of Sinai, in the first moneth of the second yeere, after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying:

2 Let the children of Israel also keepe * the Passeouer, at his appointed season.

* Exod. 12.1, &c. leuit. 23.5 cha. 28.16 deu. 16.2.

3 In the fourteenth day of this moneth † at Euen, yee shall keepe it in his appointed season: according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof shall ye keepe it.

† Hebr. betweene the two euenings.

4 And Moses spake vnto the children of Israel, that they should keepe the Passeouer.

5 And they kept the Passeouer on the fourteenth day of the first moneth at euen, in the wildernesse of Sinai: according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel.

6 ¶ And there were certaine men who were defiled by the dead body of a man, that they could not keep the Passeouer on that day: and they came before Moses, and before Aaron on that day.

7 And those men said vnto him, We are defiled by the dead body of a man: wherefore are we kept backe, that wee may not offer an offering of the LORD in his appointed season, among the children of Israel?

8 And Moses said vnto them, Stand still, and I will heare what the LORD will command concerning you.

9 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

10 Speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you, or of your posterity shall be vncleane by reason of a dead body, or be in a iourney afarre off, yet he shall keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD.

11 The fourteenth day of the second moneth at Euen they shall keepe it, and eate it with vnleauened bread and bitter herbes.

12 They shall leaue none of it vnto the morning, nor breake any bone of it: * according to all the ordinances of the Passeouer they shall keepe it.

13 But the man that is cleane, and is not in a iourney, and forbeareth to keepe the Passeouer, euen the same soule shall be cut off from his people, because hee brought not the offering of the LORD in his appointed season: that man shall beare his sinne.

14 And if a stranger shall sojourne among you, and will keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD, according to the ordinance of the Passeouer, and according to the manner thereof, so shall he doe: ye shall haue one ordinance both for the stranger, and for him that was borne in the land.

15 ¶ And * on the day that the Tabernacle was reared vp, the cloud couered the Tabernacle, namely, the Tent of the Testimony: and at Euen there was vpon the Tabernacle, as it were the appearance of fire vntill the morning.

16 So it was alway: the cloud couered it by day, and the appearance of fire by night.

17 And when the cloud was taken vp from the Tabernacle, then after that the children of Israel iourneyed, and in the place where the cloud rested there the children of Israel pitched their tents.

18 At the commandement of the LORD the children of Israel iourneyed, and at the commandement of the LORD they pitched: * as long as the cloud abode vpon the Tabernacle, they rested in the tents.

19 And when the cloud † tarried long vpon the Tabernacle many dayes, then the children of Israel kept the charge of the LORD, and iourneyed not.

20 And so it was when the cloud was a few dayes vpon the Tabernacle, according to the commandement of the LORD, they abode in the tents, and according to the commandement of the LORD they iourneyed.

21 And so it was when the cloud † abode from Euen vnto the morning, and that the cloud was taken vp in the morning, then they iourneyed: whether it was by day, or by night that the cloud was taken vp, they iourneyed.

22 Or whether it were two dayes, or a moneth, or a yeere, that the cloud tarried vpon the Tabernacle, remaining thereon, the children of Israel

irtents, and iourned not, but when it was vp, they iourneyed.

at the Commandement of the LORD they re- in the tents, and at the Commandement of the n they iourneyed: they kept the charge of the D, at the Commandement of the LORD by the of Mases.

CHAP. X.

The vse of the siluer trumpets. 11 *The Israelites remoue from Sinai to Paran.* 14 *The order of their march.* 29 *Hobab is intreated by Moses. not to leaue them.* 33 *The blessing of Moses at the removing and resting of the Arke.*

Nd the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Make thee two trumpets of siluer: of an e piece shalt thou make them, that thou mayest em for the calling of the assembly, and for the eying of the campes.

And when they shall blow with them, all the bly shall assemble themselues to thee at the y of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

And if they blow *but* with one *trumpet*, then rinces *which are* heads of the thousands of Is- hall gather themselues vnto thee.

When ye blow an alarme, then the campes that the Eastpart shall goe forward.

When yee blow an alarme the second time, the campes that lie on the South side shall their iourney: they shall blow an alarme for iourneys.

But when the Congregation is to be gathered ther, you shall blow, but you shall not sound larme.

And the sonnes of Aaron the Priest shall blow the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an nance for euer throughout your generations.

And if yee goe to warre in your land against emy that oppresseth you, then ye shall blow ame with the trumpets, and yee shall be re- ted before the LORD your God, and ye shall ed from your enemies.

Also in the day of your gladnesse, and in your ne dayes, and in the beginnings of your mo- ye shall blow with the trumpets ouer your offerings, and ouer the sacrifices of your peace ngs, that they may be to you for a memoriall your God: I *am* the LORD your God.

¶ And it came to passe on the twentieth day second moneth, in the second yeere, that the wastaken vp from off the Tabernacle of the mony.

And the children of Israel tooke their iour- out of the wildernesse of Sinai, and the cloud in the wildernesse of Paran.

And they first tooke their iourney according Commandement of the LORD, by the hand ses.

¶ * In the first *place* went the standard of the e of the children of Iudah, according to their : and ouer his hoste *was* * Nahshon the son minadab.

And ouer the hoste of the tribe of the chil- of Issachar, *was* Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

And ouer the host of the tribe of the children bulun, *was* Eliab the son of Helon.

And the Tabernacle was taken downe, and the f Gershon, and the sons of Merari set forward g the Tabernacle.

¶ And the standard of the campe of Reuben ward according to their armies, and ouer his was Elizur the son of Shedeur.

19 And ouer the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon, *was* Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

20 And ouer the host of the tribe of the children of Gad, *was* Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

21 And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the * Sanctuary, and *the* ‖ *other* did set vp the Tabernacle against they came. * Chap. 4.4.

22 ¶ And the standard of the campe of the children of Ephraim, set forward according to their armies, and ouer his host *was* Elishama the sonne of Ammiud. ‖ That is, the Gershonites and the

23 And ouer the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh, *was* Gamaliel the sonne of Pedazur. Merarites, See ver. 17.

24 And ouer the host of the tribe of the children of Beniamin, *was* Abidan the sonne of Gedeoni.

25 ¶ And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, which was the rereward of all the campes throrowout their hostes: and ouer his host, *was* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

26 And ouer the host of the tribe of the children of Asher, *was* Pagiel the sonne of Ocran.

27 And ouer the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, *was* Ahira the sonne of Enan.

28 † Thus were the iourneyings of the children of Israel, according to their armies, when they set forward. † Hebr. These.

29 ¶ And Moses said vnto Hobab the son of Raguel the Midianite Moses father in law, Wee are iourneying vnto the place of which the LORD said I will giue it you: come thou with vs, and we will doe thee good: for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel.

30 And hee said vnto him, I will not goe, but I will depart vnto mine owne land, and to my kinred.

31 And he said, Leaue vs not, I pray thee, for as much as thou knowest how wee are to encampe in the wildernesse and thou mayest bee to vs in stead of eyes.

32 And it shall be, if thou goe with vs, yea, it shall be that what goodnesse the LORD shall doe vnto vs, the same will we doe vnto thee.

33 ¶ And they departed from the mount of the LORD three dayes iourney: and the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD went before them in the three dayes iourney, to search out a resting place for them.

34 And the cloud of the LORD *was* vpon them by day, when they went out of the campe.

35 And it came to passe when the Arke set forward, that Moses said, * Rise vp LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered, and let them that hate thee, flee before thee. * Psal. 68.1, 2. † Hebr. ten thousand thousands.

36 And when it rested, he said, Returne, O LORD, vnto the † many thousands of Israel.

CHAP. XI.

The burning at Taberah quenched by Moses prayer. 4 *The people lust for flesh, and loath Manna.* 10 *Moses complaineth of his charge.* 16 *God diuideth his burthen vnto seuenty Elders.* 31 *Quailes are giuen in wrath at Kibroth Hattaauah.*

AND *when* the people ‖ complained, it displeased the LORD, and the LORD heard it; and his anger was kindled, and the fire of the LORD burnt * among them, and consumed *them that were* in the vttermost parts of the campe. ‖ Or, were as it were complainers. † Hebr. it was euill in the eares of &c.

2 And the people cryed vnto Moses, and when Moses prayed vnto the LORD, the fire † was quenched. * Psal. 78.21 † Hebr. sunke.

3 And he called the name of the place ‖ Taberah, because the fire of the LORD burnt among them. ‖ That is, burning.

*As Ex. 32.38.
4 ¶ And the *mixt multitude that was among them † fell a lusting, and the children of Israel † also wept againe, and said, *Who shall giue vs flesh to eate?
†Hebr. dusted a dust.
5 Wee remember the fish which we did eate in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leekes, and the onions, and the garlicke.
† Hebr. reuolted and wept.
6 But now our soule is dryed away, there is nothing at all besides this Manna before our eyes.
*1. Cor. 10.6.
7 And *the Manna was as Coriander seed, and the † colour thereof as the colour of Bdellium:
* Exod. 16.14.31.
8 *And* the people went about and gathered it, and ground it in mylles, or beat it in a morter, and baked it in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it *was* as the taste of fresh oyle.
†Hebr. eye of it. as the eye of.
9 And when the dew fell vpon the campe in the night, the Manna fell vpon it.
10 ¶ Then Moses heard the people weepe throwout their families, euery man in the doore of his tent, and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly: Moses also was displeased.
11 And Moses said vnto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy seruant? and wherefore haue I not found fauour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people vpon me?
12 Haue I conceiued all this people? haue I begotten them, that thou shouldest say vnto me, Carry them in thy bosome (as a nurse beareth the sucking child) vnto the land which thou swarest vnto their fathers?
13 Whence should I haue flesh to giue vnto all this people? for they weepe vnto me saying, Giue vs flesh that we may eat.
14 I am not able to beare all this people alone, because it is too heauy for me.
15 And if thou deale thus with me, kill me I pray thee out of hand, if I haue found fauour in thy sight, and let me not see my wretchednesse.
Deut. 34.9. Mark 3.14.15.
16 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, Gather vnto me seuenty men of the Elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the Elders of the people, and Officers ouer them: and bring them vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation, that they may stand there with thee.
17 And I will come downe and talke with thee there, and I will take of the Spirit which is vpon thee, and will put *it* vpon them, and they shall beare the burden of the people with thee, that thou beare it not thy selfe alone.
18 And say thou vnto the people, Sanctifie your selues against to morrow, and yee shall eate flesh: (for you haue wept in the eares of the LORD, saying, Who shall giue vs flesh to eate? for it was well with vs in Egypt,) therefore the LORD will giue you flesh, and ye shall eate.
19 Ye shall not eate one day, nor two dayes, nor fiue dayes, neither ten dayes, nor twenty dayes:
† Hebr. moneths of dayes.
20 *But* euen a †whole moneth, vntill it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome vnto you, because that ye haue despised the LORD, which is among you, and haue wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?
21 And Moses said, The people amongst whom I *am, are* six hundred thousand footmen, and thou hast said, I will giue them flesh, that they may eate a whole moneth.
22 Shall the flockes and the heards bee slaine for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the Sea be gathered together for them to suffice them?
*Esay 50.2. & 59.1.
23 And the LORD said vnto Moses, *Is the LORDS hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to passe vnto thee, or not.
24 ¶ And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and gathered the seuenty men of the Elder of the people, and set them round about the Tabernacle.
25 And the LORD came downe in a cloud, and spake vnto him, and tooke of the spirit that was vpon him, and gaue it vnto the seuenty Elders: and it came to passe, that when the spirit rested vpon them, they prophesied, and did not cease.
26 But there remained two of the men in the campe, the name of the one *was* Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the Spirit rested vpon them, (and they were of them *that were written*, but went not out vnto the Tabernacle) and they prophesied in the campe.
27 And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesie in the campe.
28 And Ioshua the sonne of Nun, the seruant of Moses, one of his yong men, answered, and said, my lord Moses, forbid them.
29 And Moses said vnto him, Enuiest thou for my sake? would God that all the LORDS people were Prophets, and that the LORD would put his Spirit vpon them.
30 And Moses gate him into the campe, he and the Elders of Israel.
31 ¶ And there went foorth a *wind from the LORD, and brought quailes from the Sea, and let them fall by the campe, † as it were a dayes iourney on this side, and as it were a dayes iourney on the other side, round about the campe, and as it were two cubits *high* vpon the face of the earth.
32 And the people stood vp all that day, and *that* night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quailes; he that gathered least, gathered ten Homers, and they spread *them* all abroad for themselues round about the campe.
33 And while the *flesh was yet betweene their teeth, yer it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.
34 And he called the name of that place Kibroth Hattaauah: because there they buried the people that lusted.
35 And the people iourneyed from Kibroth Hattaauah vnto Hazeroth, and † abode at Hazeroth.

CHAP. XII.

1 God rebuketh the sedition of Miriam and Aaron. 10 Miriams leprosie is healed at the prayer of Moses. 14 God commandeth her to be shut out of the hoste.

AND Miriam & Aaron spake against Moses because of the ‖ Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had † married an Ethiopian woman.
2 And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? Hath he not also spoken by vs? And the LORD heard *it*.
3 (Now the man Moses was *very meeke aboue all the men which were vpon the face of the earth.)
4 And the LORD spake suddenly vnto Moses, and vnto Aaron, and vnto Miriam, Come out ye three vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And they three came out.
5 And the LORD came down in the pillar of a cloud, and stood in the dore of the Tabernacle, and called Aaron & Miriam, and they both came forth.
6 And he said, Heare now my words: If there be a Prophet among you, I the LORD will make my selfe knowne vnto him in a vision, and will speake vnto him in a dreame:
7 *My seruant Moses is not so, who is faithfull in all mine house.

With him will I speake * mouth to mouth, e- apparantly, and not in darke speeches, and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: where- fore then were ye not afraid to speake against my seruant Moses?

9 And the anger of the LORD was kindled a- gainst them, and he departed.

10 And the cloud departed from off the Taber- nacle, and behold Miriam became leprous, *white* as snow: and Aaron looked vpon Miriam, and be- held she was leprous.

11 And Aaron said vnto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sinne vpon vs, wherein we haue done foolishly, and wherein we haue sinned:

12 Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed, when he commeth out of his mo- thers wombe.

13 And Moses cryed vnto the LORD, saying, Heale her now, O God, I beseech thee.

14 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seuen dayes, let her be * shut out from the campe seuen dayes, and after that let her be received in againe.

15 And Miriam was shut out from the campe se- uen dayes: and the people iourneyed not till Miri- am was brought in againe.

16 And afterward the people remoued from Ha- zeroth, and pitched in the wildernesse of Paran.

CHAP. XIII.

1 The names of the men who were sent to search the land: 17 Their instructions: 21 Their actes: 26 Their relation.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

2 Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I giue vnto the children of Israel: of euery tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, euery one a ruler among them.

3 And Moses by the commandement of the LORD, sent them from the wildernesse of Paran: all those men were heads of the children of Israel.

4 And these *were* their names: Of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua, the sonne of Zaccur.

5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the sonne of Hori.

6 Of the tribe of Iudah, Caleb the sonne of Ie- phunneh.

7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Ioseph.

8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, Oshea ‖ son of Nun.

9 Of the tribe of Beniamin, Palti ‖ son of Raphu.

10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the sonne of Sodi.

11 Of the tribe of Ioseph, *namely*, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the sonne of Susi.

12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the sonne of Ge- malli.

13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the sonne of Mi- chael.

14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the sonne of Vophsi.

15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.

16 These are the names of the men, which Moses sent to spie out the land: and Moses called Oshea the sonne of Nun, Iehoshua.

17 ¶ And Moses sent them to spie out the land of Canaan, and said vnto them, Get you vp this way southward, and goe vp into the mountaine;

18 And see the land what it is, and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they bee strong or weake, few, or many:

19 And what the land is that they dwell in, whe- ther it be [illegible] and what cities they be ‖ in, whether in tents, or in strong holds;

20 And what the land *is*, whether it bee fat or leane, whether there be wood therein or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land: (Now the time *was* the time of the first ripe grapes.)

21 ¶ So they went vp and searched the land from the wildernesse of Zin vnto Rehob, as men come to Hamath.

22 And they ascended by the South, and came vn- to Hebron: where Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak were: now Hebron was buile seuen yeere before Zoan in Egypt.

23 * And they came vnto the ‖ brooke of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it betweene two vpon a staffe, and they brought of the pomegranats, and of the figs.

24 The place was called the ‖ brooke ‖ Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes which the children of Israel cut downe from thence.

25 And they returned from searching of the land after fourty dayes.

26 ¶ And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, vnto the wildernesse of Paran to Kadesh & brought backe word vnto them, & vnto all the con- gregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land:

27 And they told him, and said, We came vnto the land whither thou sentest vs, and surely it flow- eth with * milk and honey: & this is the fruit of it.

28 Neuerthelesse, the people be strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled & very great: and moreouer, we saw the children of Anak there.

29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the South: and the Hittites, and the Iebusites, and the Ammorites dwel in the mountaines: and the Cana- nites dwell by the Sea, and by the coast of Iordan.

30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let vs goe vp at once, and possesse it: for we are well able to ouercome it.

31 But the men that went vp with him, said, We be not able to goe vp against the people, for they are stronger then we.

32 And they brought vp an euill report of the land which they had searched, vnto the children of Israel, saying the land thorow which we haue gone to search it, *is* a land that eateth vp the inhabitants thereof, and all the people that wee saw in it, *are* † men of great stature.

33 And there we saw the gyants, the sonnes of A- nak, *which come* of the gyants: and we were in our owne sight as grashoppers, and so wee were in their sight.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 The people murmure at the newes. 6 Ioshua and Caleb labour to stirr them: 11 God threatneth them. 13 Moses perswadeth God, and obtaineth pardon. 26 The murmurers are deprived of entring in- to the land. 36 The men who raised the euill report, die by a plague. 40 The people that would inuade the land against the will of God, are smitten.

AND all the congregation lifted vp their voice, and cryed; and the people wept that night.

2 And all the children of Israel murmured a- gainst Moses, and against Aaron: and the whole Congregation said vnto them; Would God that wee had dyed in the land of Egypt, or would God wee had dyed in this wildernesse.

3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought vs vn- to this land to fall by the sword, that our wiues and our children should be a prey? were it not bet- ter for vs to returne into Egypt?

* Deut. 1.24. *Or, valley.*

‖ *Or, valley.* ‖ *That is a cluster of grapes.*

* Exod. 33.3.

† *Hebr. men of statures.*

4 And they ſaid one to another, Let vs make a captaine, and let vs returne into Egypt.

5 Then Moſes and Aaron fell on their faces before all the aſſembly of the Congregation of the children of Iſrael.

6 ¶ And Ioſhua the ſon of Nun, and Caleb the ſon of Iephunneh which were of them that ſearched the land, rent their clothes.

7 And they ſpake vnto all the company of the children of Iſrael, ſaying, The land which we paſſed thorow to ſearch it, *is* an exceeding good land.

8 *If* the LORD delight in vs, then he will bring vs into this land, and giue it vs, a land which floweth with milke and honey.

9 Onely rebell not yee againſt the LORD, neither feare ye the people of the land, for they are bread for vs: their † defence is departed from them, and the LORD *is* with vs, feare them not.

† Hebr. ſhadow.

10 But all the Congregation bade ſtone them with ſtones: and the glory of the LORD appeared in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, before all the children of Iſrael.

11 ¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, How long will this people prouoke me? and how long will it be yer they beleeue me, for all the ſignes which I haue ſhewed among them?

12 I will ſmite them with the peſtilence, and diſinherite them, and will make of thee a greater nation, and mightier then they.

13 ¶ And * Moſes ſaid vnto the LORD, Then the Egyptians ſhall heare *it*, (for thou broughteſt vp this people in thy might from among them:)

* Exod. 32.12.

14 And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land, *for* they haue heard that thou, LORD, *art* among this people, that thou LORD, art ſeene face to face, and that * thy cloud ſtandeth ouer them, and that thou goeſt before them by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.

Ioſ. 5. 13. 2 Chron. 20. 17.

* Exod. 33.22.

Iohn. 1. 18.

15 ¶ Now if thou ſhalt kill all this people as one man, then the nations which haue heard the fame of thee, will ſpeake, ſaying;

16 Becauſe the LORD was not * able to bring this people into the land which hee ſware vnto them, therefore he hath ſlaine them in the wilderneſſe.

* Deut. 9.28. Exod. 32. 20. 23.

17 And now I beſeech thee, let the power of my LORD be great, according as † thou haſt ſpoken, ſaying,

18 The LORD is * long ſuffering, and of great mercy, forgiuing iniquity and tranſgreſſion, and by no meanes clearing *the guilty*, * viſiting the iniquitie of the fathers vpon the children, vnto the third and fourth generation.

* Exod. 34.6. pſ. 103.8. * Exod. 20.5. & 34.7.

19 Pardon, I beſeech thee, the iniquity of this people, according vnto the greatnes of thy mercy, and as thou haſt forgiuen this people from Egypt, euen † vntill now.

† Or, hitherto.

20 And the LORD ſaid, I haue pardoned according to thy word.

21 But as truly as I liue, all the earth ſhall bee filled with the glory of the LORD.

22 Becauſe all thoſe men which haue ſeene my glory, and my miracles which I did in Egypt, and in the wilderneſſe, and haue tempted me now theſe ten times, and haue not hearkened to my voyce:

23 † Surely they ſhall not ſee the land which I ſware vnto their fathers, neither ſhall any of them that prouoked me, ſee it.

† Hebr. If they ſee the land.

24 But my ſeruant * Caleb, becauſe hee had another ſpirit with him (and hath followed me fully) him will I bring into the land whereinto he went, and his ſeed ſhall poſſeſſe it.

* Ioſh. 14.6.

25 (Now the Amalekites, and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) To morrow turne you and get you into the wilderneſſe by the way of the red Sea.

26 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, and vnto Aaron, ſaying,

27 How long *ſhall I beare with* this euill Congregation, which murmure againſt me? I haue heard the murmurings of the children of Iſrael, which they murmure againſt me.

28 Say vnto them, * As truely as I liue, ſaith the LORD, as ye haue ſpoken in mine eares, ſo will I doe vnto you:

29 Your carcaſſes ſhall fall in this wilderneſſe, and all that were * numbred of you, according to your whole number, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, which haue murmured againſt me,

30 Doubtleſſe, ye ſhall not come into the land concerning which I † ſware to make you dwell therein, ſaue Caleb the ſonne of Iephunneh, and Ioſhua the ſonne of Nun.

† Hebr. lift vp mine hand.

31 But your little ones which ye ſaid ſhould be a prey, them will I bring in, and they ſhall know the land which ye haue deſpiſed.

32 But as for you, your carcaſſes, they ſhall fall in this wilderneſſe.

33 And your children ſhall † wander in the wilderneſſe fourty yeeres, and beare your whoredomes vntill your carcaſſes be waſted in the wilderneſſe.

† Hebr. feed.

34 After the number of the dayes in which ye ſearched the land, *euen* * fourty dayes, (each day a yeere) ſhall ye beare your iniquities, *euen* fourty yeeres, and ye ſhall know my † breach of promiſe.

† Hebr. breaches.

35 I the LORD haue ſaid, I will ſurely do it vnto all this euill congregation, that are gathered together againſt me: in this wilderneſſe they ſhall be conſumed, and there they ſhall die.

36 And the men which Moſes ſent to ſearch the land, who returned, and made all the Congregation to murmure againſt him, by bringing vp a ſlander vpon the land,

37 Euen thoſe men that did bring vp the euill report vpon the land, * died by the plague before the LORD.

38 But Ioſhua the ſon of Nun, and Caleb the ſon of Iephunneh *which were* of the men that went to ſearch the land, liued *ſtill*.

39 And Moſes told theſe ſayings vnto all the children of Iſrael, and the people mourned greatly.

40 ¶ And they roſe vp early in the morning, and gate them vp into the top of the mountaine, ſaying, Lo, we *be* here, & will go vp vnto the place which the LORD hath promiſed: for we haue ſinned.

41 And Moſes ſaid, Wherfore now do you tranſgreſſe the Commandement of the LORD? but it ſhall not proſper.

42 Goe not vp, for the LORD is not among you, that ye be not ſmitten, before your enemies.

43 For the Amalekites, and the Canaanites *are* there before you, and ye ſhall fall by the ſword: becauſe ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you.

44 But they preſumed to goe vp vnto the hill top: neuertheleſſe, the Arke of the couenant of the LORD, and Moſes departed not out of the campe.

45 Then the Amalekites came downe, and the Canaanites, which dwelt in that hill, and ſmote them, and * diſcomfited them euen to Hormah.

CHAP. XV.

1 *The law of the meat offering and drinke offering.* 13. 29. *The ſtranger in vnder the ſame law.* 17 *The law of the firſt of the dough for a heaue offering.* 22 *The ſacrifice for ſinne of ignorance.* 30 *The punishment of preſumption.* 32 *He that violated the Sabbath is ſtoned.* 37 *The law of fringes.*

the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes ſaying.
2 Speake vnto the children of Iſrael, and
them, When ye be come into the land of
habitations, which I giue vnto you.
nd will make an offering by fire vnto the
, a burnt offering or a ſacrifice *in †perfor-
vow, or in a free will offering, or in your
e feaſts, to make a *ſweet ſauour vnto the
of the herd, or of the flocke:
en *ſhall he that offereth his offering vnto
RD, bring a meat offering of a tenth deale
e mingled with the fourth part of an Hin of

nd the fourth part of an Hin of wine for a
offering ſhalt thou prepare, with the burnt
g, or ſacrifice: for one lambe.
e for a ram, thou ſhalt prepare for a meat
g, two tenth deales of flowre mingled with
d part of an Hin of oyle.
nd for a drinke offering thou ſhalt offer the
rt of an Hin of wine, for a ſweet ſauour
e LORD.
nd when thou prepareſt a bullocke for a
fering or for a ſacrifice in performing a
peace offerings vnto the LORD:
en ſhall he bring with a bullocke a meat
g of three tenth deales of flowre mingled
lfe an Hin of oyle.
nd thou ſhalt bring for a drinke offering
Hin of wine, for an offering made by fire of
ſauour vnto the LORD.
Thus ſhall it be done for one bullocke, or for
, or for a lambe, or a kid.
ccording to the number that yee ſhall pre-
ſhall yee doe to euery one according to
mber.
ll that are borne of the countrey, ſhall doe
ings after this manner, in offring an offring
y fire of a ſweet ſauour vnto the LORD.
nd if a ſtranger ſoiourne with you, or who-
e among you in your generations, and will
offring made by fire of a ſweet ſauour vnto
RD: as ye doe, ſo he ſhall doe.
One ordinance ſhall be both for you of the
gation, and alſo for the ſtranger that ſoiour-
ſh you, an ordinance for euer in your gene-
as ye are, ſo ſhall the ſtranger bee, before
RD.
e Law, and one manner ſhall be for you, and
ranger that ſoiourneth with you.
And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
eake vnto the children of Iſrael, and ſay vn-
When yee come into the land whither I
,
en it ſhall be, that when yee eate of the
f the land, ye ſhall offer vp an heaue offe-
o the LORD.
ſhall offer vp a cake of the firſt of your
e an heaue offering: as ye doe the heaue
of the threſhing floore, ſo ſhal ye heaue it.
the firſt of your dough ye ſhall giue vnto
RD an heaue offering in your generations.
And if ye haue erred and not obſerued all
mandements which the LORD hath ſpo-
o Moſes,
ll that the LORD hath commanded you,
and of Moſes, from the day that the LORD
ded Moſes, and hence forward among
erations:
n it ſhall be, if ought be committed by ig-
rance without the knowledge of the congrega-
n, that the congregation ſhall offer one yong
bullocke for a burnt offering, for a ſweet ſauour vn-
to the LORD, with his meat offering, and his drink
offering, according to the ‖ manner, and one kid of
the goates for a ſinne offering. ‖ Or, ordi-
nance.
25 And the Prieſt ſhall make an atonement for
all the Congregation of the children of Iſrael and
it ſhall be forgiuen them, for it is ignorance: and
they ſhall bring their offering, a ſacrifice made by
fire vnto the LORD, and their ſinne offering before
the LORD for their ignorance.
26 And it ſhall be forgiuen all the Congrega-
tion of the children of Iſrael, and the ſtranger that
ſoiourneth among them, ſeeing all the people were
in ignorance.
27 ¶ And *if any ſoule ſinne through ignorance, * Leuit.
then he ſhall bring a ſhee-goat of the firſt yeere for 4.27.
a ſinne offering.
28 And the Prieſt ſhall make an atonement for
the ſoule that ſinneth ignorantly, when he ſinneth
by ignorance before the LORD, to make an atone-
ment for him, and it ſhall be forgiuen him.
29 You ſhall haue one law for him that † ſinneth † Hebr.
through ignorance, both for him that is borne a- doeth.
mongſt the children of Iſrael, and for the ſtranger
that ſoiourneth among them.
30 ¶ But the ſoule that doeth ought † preſump- † Hebr.
tuouſly, whether hee bee borne in the land, or a with an
ſtranger, the ſame reproacheth the LORD: and that high hand
ſoule ſhall be cut off from among his people.
31 Becauſe he hath deſpiſed ‖ the word of the LORD, ‖ Exod. 35.
& hath broken his commandement, that ſoule ſhall 3.
vtterly be cut off: his iniquity ſhall be vpon him.
32 ¶ And while the children of Iſrael were in
the wilderneſſe, they found a man that gathered
ſticks vpon the Sabbath day:
33 And they that found him gathering ſtickes,
brought him vnto Moſes and Aaron, and vnto all
the Congregation.
34 And they put him * in ward, becauſe it was * Leuit.
not declared what ſhould be done to him. 24.12.
35 And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, The man
ſhall ſurely be put to death: all the Congregation
ſhall ſtone him with ſtones without the campe.
36 And all the Congregation brought him with-
out the campe, and ſtoned him with ſtones, and he
died, as the LORD commanded Moſes.
37 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
38 Speake vnto the children of Iſrael, and bid
* them that they make them fringes in the borders * Deut.
of their garments, throughout their generations, 22.12.
and that they put vpon the fringe of the borders, mat.23.5.
a riband of blue.
39 And it ſhall be vnto you for a fringe, that ye
may looke vpon it, and remember all the Com-
mandements of the LORD, and doe them: and that
ye ſeeke not after your owne heart, and your owne
eyes, after which ye vſe to goe a whoring.
40 That yee may remember, and doe all my
Commandements, and be holy vnto your God.
41 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you
out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I *am*
the LORD your God.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *The rebellion of Korah, Dathan and Abiram.*
23 *Moſes ſeparateth the people from the rebels tents*
31 *the earth ſwalloweth vp Korah, and a fire conſu-*
meth others. 36 *The cenſers are reſerued to holy vſe.*
41 *Fourteene thouſand and ſeuen hundred are ſlaine*
by a plague for murmuring againſt Moſes and Aa- * Chap.
ron. 46 *Aaron by incenſe ſtayeth the plague.* 27.3.eccl.
45.21.
NOw *Korah the ſonne of Izhar, the ſonne of
Kohath, the ſonne of Leui, and Dathan, and Iud.1.16
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6 This doe: take you censers, Korah, and all his company:

7 And put fire therein, and put incense in them, before the LORD to morrow: And it shall be, *that* the man whom the LORD doth chose, he shalbe holy: ye take too much vpon you, ye sonnes of Leui.

8 And Moses said vnto Korah, Heare I pray you, sonnes of Leui:

9 Seemeth it but a small thing vnto you, that the God of Israel hath separated you from the Congregation of Israel, to bring you neere to himselfe, to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the Congregation, to minister vnto them?

10 And he hath brought thee neere to *him*, and all thy brethren the sonnes of Leui with thee: and seeke ye the Priesthood also?

11 For which cause, both thou and all thy company are gathered together against the LORD: and what is Aaron that ye murmure against him?

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14 Moreouer, thou hast not brought vs into a land that floweth with milke and hony, or giuen vs inheritance of fields & vineyards: wilt thou † put out the eyes of these men? we will not come vp.

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15 And Moses was very wroth, and said vnto the LORD, * Respect not thou their offering: I haue not taken one asse from them: neither haue I hurt one of them. 1 Sam. 12.3.

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16 And Moses said vnto Korah, Be thou and all thy company before the LORD, thou, and they, and Aaron to morrow.

17 And take euery man his censer, and put incense in them, and bring ye before the LORD euery man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers, thou also and Aaron, each *of you* his censer.

18 And they tooke euery man his censer, and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood in the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, with Moses and Aaron.

19 And Korah gathered all the Congregation against them, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and the glory of the LORD appeared vnto all the Congregation.

20 And the LORD spake vnto Moses, and vnto Aaron, saying,

21 Separate your selues from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment.

22 And they fell vpon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall man sinne, and wilt thou bee wroth with all Congregation?

23 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

24 Speake vnto the Congregation, saying, you vp from about the Tabernacle of Korah, than, and Abiram.

25 And Moses rose vp, and went vnto Dathan Abiram: and the Elders of Israel followed him.

26 And he spake vnto the Congregation, saying, Depare I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, least ye be consumed in all their sinnes.

27 So they gate vp from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on euery side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood in the doore of their tents, and their wiues, and their sonnes, and their little children.

28 And Moses said, Hereby yee shall know that the LORD hath sent me to doe all these works: for *I haue not done them* of mine owne mind.

29 If these men die † the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men, then the LORD hath not sent mee:

30 But if the LORD † make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them vp, with all that appertaine vnto them, and they goe downe quicke into the pit; then ye shall vnderstand that these men haue prouoked the LORD.

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32 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them vp, and their houses, and all the men that appertained vnto Korah, and all their goods.

33 They, and all that appertained to them, went downe aliue into the pit, and the earth closed vpon them: and they perished from among the Congregation.

34 And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow vs vp *also*.

35 And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense.

36 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

37 Speake vnto Eleazar the son of Aaron the Priest, that he take vp the censers out of the burning, and scatter thou the fire yonder, for they are hallowed.

38 The censers of these sinners against their owne soules, let them make them broad plates for a couering of the Altar: for they offered them before the LORD: therefore they are hallowed, and they shall be a signe vnto the children of Israel.

39 And Eleazar the Priest tooke the brasen censers, wherewith they that were burnt, had offered, and they were made broad *plates* for a couering of the Altar:

40 *To be* a memoriall vnto the children of Israel, that no stranger which is not of the seed of Aaron come neere to offer incense before the LORD, that hee be not as Korah and as his company: as the LORD said to him by the hand of Moses.

41 ¶ But on the morrow all the Congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye haue killed the people of the LORD.

42 And it came to passe, when the Congregation was gathered against Moses, and against Aaron, that they looked toward the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and behold, the cloud couered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared.

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CHAP. XVII.

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e of their fathers, of all their Princes, according
e houſe of their fathers, twelue rods: write
euery mans name vpon his rod.
And thou ſhalt write Aarons name vpon the
of Leui: for one rod ſhall be for the head of the
e of their fathers.
And thou ſhalt lay them vp in the Tabernacle
e Congregation, before the Teſtimony, *where
ll meet with you.
And it ſhall come to paſſe, that the mans rod
m I ſhall chuſe, ſhall bloſſome: and I will make
eaſe from me the murmurings of the children
rael, whereby they murmure againſt you.
¶ And Moſes ſpake vnto the children of Iſrael,
euery one of their Princes gaue him † a rod a
e, for each Prince one, according to their fathers
es, euen twelue rods: and the rod of Aaron was
ng their rods.
And Moſes laid vp the rods before the LORD
e Tabernacle of Witneſſe.
And it came to paſſe that on the morrow Mo-
ent into the Tabernacle of Witneſſe, and be-
d, the rod of Aaron for the houſe of Leui, was
ded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed bloſ-
s, and yeelded almonds.
And Moſes brought out all the rods from
ore the LORD, vnto all the children of Iſrael:
they looked, and tooke euery man his rod.
¶ And the LORD ſaid vnto Moſes, * Bring
ons rod againe before the Teſtimony, to be kept
a token againſt the † rebels, and thou ſhalt
ſtroake away their murmurings from me, that
y die not.
And Moſes did ſo as the LORD commanded
ſo did he.
And the children of Iſrael ſpake vnto Moſes,
ng, Behold, we die, we periſh, we all periſh.
Whoſoeuer commeth any thing neere vnto the
ernacle of the LORD, ſhall die: Shall we bee
ſumed with dying?

CHAP. XVIII.

1 *The charge of the Prieſts, and Leuites. 9 The Prieſts portion. 21 The Leuites portion. 25 The beane offering to the Prieſts out of the Leuites portiõ*

AND the LORD ſaid vnto Aaron, Thou and thy ſonnes, and thy fathers houſe with thee, ſhall beare the iniquity of the Sanctuary: and thou and thy ſonnes with thee, ſhall beare the iniquity of your Prieſthood.
2 And thy brethren alſo of the tribe of Leui, the tribe of thy father, bring thou with thee, that they may be ioyned vnto thee, and minister vnto thee: but thou and thy ſonnes with thee, *ſhall miniſter* before the Tabernacle of Witneſſe.
3 And they ſhall keep thy charge, and the charge of all the Tabernacle: onely they ſhall not come nigh the veſſels of the Sanctuary, and the Altar, that neither they, nor you alſo die.
4 And they ſhall be ioyned vnto thee, and keepe the charge of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, for all the ſeruice of the Tabernacle: and a ſtranger ſhall not come nigh vnto you.
5 And ye ſhall keep the charge of the Sanctuary, and the charge of the Altar, that there be no wrath any more vpon the children of Iſrael.
6 And I, behold, I haue * taken your brethren the Leuites from among the children of Iſrael: to you they are giuen as a gift for the LORD, to doe the ſeruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. *Chap. 3.45.
7 Therefore thou and thy ſons with thee, ſhall keep your Prieſts office for euery thing of ¶ Altar, & within the vaile, & ye ſhall ſerue: I haue giuen your Prieſts office vnto you, as a ſeruice of gift: and the ſtranger yͤ commeth nigh ſhall be put to death.
8 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Aaron, Behold, I alſo haue giuen thee the charge of mine heaue offerings of all the hallowed things of the children of Iſrael, vnto thee haue I giuen them by reaſon of the anointing, and to thy ſons by an ordinance for euer.
9 This ſhall be thine of the moſt holy things reſerued from the fire: euery oblation of theirs, euery meat offering of theirs, and euery ſinne offering of theirs, and euery treſpaſſe offering of theirs, which they ſhall render vnto me, ſhall be moſt holy for thee, and for thy ſonnes.
10 In the moſt holy *place* ſhalt thou eat it, euery male ſhall eat it: it ſhall be holy vnto thee.
11 And this is thine: the heaue offering of their gift, with all the waue offerings of the children of Iſrael: I haue giuen them vnto thee, and to thy ſons, & to thy* daughters with thee by a ſtatute for euer: euery one that is cleane in thy houſe ſhall eat of it. * Leuit. 10.14.
12 All the † beſt of the oyle, and all the beſt of the wine, and of the wheat, the firſt fruits of them, which they ſhall offer vnto the LORD, them haue I giuen thee. †Heb. fat
13 And whatſoeuer is firſt ripe in the land, which they ſhall bring vnto the LORD, ſhall be thine, euery one that is cleane in thine houſe, ſhall eat of it.
14 * Euery thing deuoted in Iſrael ſhall be thine. * Leuit. 27 28.
15 Euery thing that openeth * the matrice in all fleſh, which they bring vnto the LORD, whether it be of men or beaſts, ſhall be thine: neuertheleſs the firſt borne of man ſhalt thou ſurely redeeme, and the firſtling of vncleane beaſts ſhalt thou redeeme. *Ex.13.2. & 22.29. Ieu 27.26 chap.3.13
16 And thoſe that are to be redeemed, from a moneth old ſhalt thou redeeme according to thine eſtimation, for the money of fiue ſhekels, after the * ſhekel of the Sanctuary, * which is twenty gerahs. *Ex.30. 13.Leuit. 27.25.
17 But the firſtling of a cow, or the firſtling of a ſheepe, or the firſtling of a goat, thou ſhalt not redeeme, they *are* holy: ¶ ſhalt ſprinkle their blood cha.3.47. Deut.12.17.

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1 *The charge of the Priests, and Leuites.* 9 *The Priests portion.* 21 *The Leuites portion.* 25 *The heaue offering to the Priests out of the Leuites portion.*

ANd the LORD said vnto Aaron, Thou and thy sonnes, and thy fathers house with thee, shall beare the iniquity of the Sanctuary: and thou and thy sonnes with thee, shall beare the iniquity of your Priesthood.
2 And thy brethren also of the tribe of Leui, the tribe of thy father, bring thou with thee, that they may be ioyned vnto thee, and minister vnto thee: but thou and thy sonnes with thee, *shall minister* before the Tabernacle of Witnesse.
3 And they shall keep thy charge, and the charge of all the Tabernacle: onely they shall not come nigh the vessels of the Sanctuary, and the Altar, that neither they, nor you also die.
4 And they shall be ioyned vnto thee, and keepe the charge of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, for all the seruice of the Tabernacle: and a stranger shall not come nigh vnto you.
5 And ye shall keep the charge of the Sanctuary, and the charge of the Altar, that there be no wrath any more vpon the children of Israel.
6 And I, behold, I haue * taken your brethren the Leuites from among the children of Israel: to you they are giuen as a gift for the LORD, to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. * Chap. 3.45.
7 Therefore thou and thy sons with thee, shall keep your Priests office for euery thing of † Altar, & within the vaile, & ye shall serue: I haue giuen your Priests office vnto you, as a seruice of gift: and the stranger ye commeth nigh shall be put to death.
8 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Aaron, Behold, I also haue giuen thee the charge of mine heaue offerings of all the hallowed things of the children of Israel, vnto thee haue I giuen them by reason of the anointing, and to thy sons by an ordinance for euer.
9 This shall be thine of the most holy things *reserued* from the fire: euery oblation of theirs, euery meat offering of theirs, and euery sinne offering of theirs, and euery trespasse offering of theirs, which they shall render vnto me, shall be most holy for thee, and for thy sonnes.
10 In the most holy *place* shalt thou eat it, euery male shall eat it: it shall be holy vnto thee.
11 And this is thine: the heaue offering of their gift, with all the waue offerings of the children of Israel: I haue giuen them vnto thee, and to thy sons, & to thy* daughters with thee by a statute for euer: euery one that is cleane in thy house shall eat of it. * Leuit. 10.14.
12 All the † best of the oyle, and all the best of the wine, and of the wheat, the first fruits of them, which they shall offer vnto the LORD, them haue I giuen thee. † Heb. fat
13 And whatsoeuer is first ripe in the land, which they shall bring vnto the LORD, shall be thine, euery one that is cleane in thine house, shall eat of it.
14 * Euery thing deuoted in Israel shall be thine. * Leuit. 27 28.
15 Euery thing that openeth * the matrice in all flesh, which they bring vnto the LORD, whether it be of men or beasts: shall be thine: neuertheles the first borne of man shalt thou surely redeeme, and the firstling of vncleane beasts shalt thou redeeme, * Ex. 13.2. & 22.29. len 27.26 chap. 3.13
16 And those that are to be redeemed, from a moneth old shalt thou redeeme according to thine estimation, for the money of fiue shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, * which is twenty gerahs. * Ex. 30. 13. Leuit. 27.25.
17 But the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheepe, or the firstling of a goat, thou shalt not redeeme, they are holy: ¶ shalt sprinkle their blood cha. 3.47. ezec. 45.15

vpon

vpon the Altar, and shalt burne their fat for an offering made by fire, for a sweet sauour vnto the LORD.

18 And the flesh of them shall be thine: as the
*Exod. 29.26. * waue brest, and as the right shoulder are thine.

19 All the heaue offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer vnto the LORD, haue I giuen thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute for euer: it is a couenant of salt for euer before the LORD, vnto thee and to thy seed with thee.

20 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Aaron, Thou shalt haue no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou
*Deut. 10.9. & 18.2. Iosh.13. 14.33.e. Ezek.44. 28. haue any part among them; * I am thy part and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.

21 And behold I haue giuen the children of Leui, all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their seruice which they serue, euen the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

22 Neither must the children of Israel henceforth come nigh the Tabernacle of the Congregation lest they beare sinne, † and die.

†Heb. to die. 23 But the Leuites shall doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and they shall beare their iniquity: it shall be a statute for euer thorowout their generations, that among the children of Israel they haue no inheritance.

24 But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heaue offering vnto the LORD, I haue giuen to the Leuites to inherite: therefore I haue said vnto them, among the children of Israel they shall haue no inheritance.

25 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

26 Thus speake vnto the Leuites, and say vnto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the tithes, which I haue giuen you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer vp an heaue offering of it for the LORD, *euen* a tenth part of the tithe.

27 And this your heaue offering shalbe reckoned vnto you, as though *it were* the corne of the threshing floore, and as the fulnesse of the winepresse.

28 Thus you also shall offer an heaue offering vnto the LORD of all your tithes which yee receiue of the children of Israel, and ye shall giue thereof the LORDS heaue offering to Aaron the Priest.

29 Out of all your gifts yee shall offer euery heaue offering of the LORD, of all the † best thereof, *euen* the hallowed part thereof, out of it.

†Heb. fat

30 Therefore thou shalt say vnto them, When yee haue heaued the best thereof from it, then it shall be counted vnto the Leuites, as the increase of the threshing floore, and as the increase of the winepresse.

31 And ye shall eat it in euery place, ye and your houshold: for it *is* your reward for your seruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

32 And ye shall beare no sinne by reason of it, when ye haue heaued from it the best of it: neither shall ye pollute the holy things of the children of Israel, lest ye die.

CHAP. XIX

1 The water of separation made of the ashes of a red heifer. 11 The law for the vse of it in purification of the vncleane.

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses and vnto Aaron, saying,

2 This *is* th ordinance of the Law: which the LORD hath commanded, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer without spot, wherein is no blemish, *and* vpon which neuer came yoke.

3 And ye shall giue her vnto Eleazar the Priest, that hee may bring her * forth without the
* *or* and *one* shall slay her before his face.

4 And Eleazar the Priest shall take of her
* with his finger, and * sprinkle of her blood
before the Tabernacle of the Congregation
times.

5 And *one* shall burne the heifer in his
* her skin and her flesh, and her blood, with
dung shall he burne.

6 And the Priest shall take Cedar wood
hysope, and scarlet, and cast it into the mi
the burning of the heifer.

7 Then the Priest shall wash his clothes,
shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward
shall come into the campe, and the Priest sha
vncleane vntill the Euen.

8 And he that burneth her shall wash his c
in water, and bathe his flesh in water, and shall
vncleane vntill the Euen.

9 And a man *that is* cleane shall gather
ashes of the heifer, and lay them vp without
campe in a cleane place, and it shall be kept
Congregation of the children of Israel, for
ter of separation: it *is* a purification for sinne.

10 And he that gathereth the ashes of the
shall wash his clothes, and be vncleane vnti
Euen: and it shall be vnto the children of
and vnto the stranger that soiourneth among
for a statute for euer.

11 ¶ He that toucheth the dead body of any
shalbe vncleane seuen dayes.

12 He shall purifie himselfe with it on the
day, and on the seuenth day he shalbe cleane:
if he purifie not himselfe the third day, then
uenth day he shall not be cleane.

13 Whosoeuer toucheth the dead body of
man that is dead, and purifieth not himselfe,
leth the Tabernacle of the LORD, and that
shall be cut off from Israel, because the water
paration was not sprinkled vpon him: he shall
vncleane, his vncleannesse *is* yet vpon him.

14 This *is* the Law when a man dieth in a
all that come into the tent, and all that *is* in
tent shall be vncleane seuen dayes.

15 And euery open vessell which hath no
ring bound vpon it, is vncleane.

16 And whosoeuer toucheth one that is
with a sword in the open fields, or a dead body
a bone of a man, or a graue, shall be vncle
uen daies.

17 And for an vncleane person they shall take
the † ashes of the burnt heifer of purification
sinne, and † running water shall be put there
a vessell:

18 And a cleane person shall take hysope,
dip it in the water, and sprinkle *it* vpon the
and vpon all the vessels, and vpon the person
were there, and vpon him that touched a bone
one slaine, or one dead, or a graue.

19 And the cleane *person* shall sprinkle vpon
vncleane on the third day, and on the seuenth
and on the seuenth day hee shall purifie him
and wash his clothes, and bathe himselfe in
and shall be cleane at Euen.

20 But the man that shalbe vncleane, and
not purifie himselfe, that soule shalbe cut off
among the Congregation: because he hath
the Sanctuary of the LORD, the water of
tion hath not beene sprinkled vpon him,
vncleane.

21 And it shalbe a perpetuall statute vnto
that hee that sprinkleth the water of

…sh his clothes, and he that toucheth the wa-
…separation, shall be vncleane vntill Euen.
…nd whatsoeuer the vncleane person toucheth,
…e vncleane: and the soule that toucheth it,
…e vncleane vntill Euen.

CHAP. XX.

*…e children of Israel come to Zin where Miriam
2 They murmure for want of water. 7 Mo-
…ing the rocke, bringeth forth water at Me-
14 Moses at Kadesh desireth passage thorow
…which is denied him. 22 At mount Hor Aa-
…ron hath his place to Eleazar, and dieth.*

…Then came the children of Israel, euen the whole
…congregation, into the desart of Zin, in the first
…th: and the people abode in Kadesh: and Mi-
…died there, and was buried there.
…And there was no water for the congregation;
…they gathered themselues together against Mo-
…d against Aaron.
…And the people chode with Moses, and spake;
…Would God that wee had died, *when our
…ren died before the LORD.
…And *why haue ye brought vp the Congregati-
…the LORD into this wildernesse, that we, and
…attell should die there?
…And wherefore haue yee made vs to come vp
…f Egypt, to bring vs in vnto this euill place?
…a place of seed, or of figs, or vines, or of pome-
…es neither is there any water to drinke.
…And Moses and Aaron went from the presence
…assembly, vnto the doore of the Tabernacle
…Congregation, & they fell vpon their faces:
…e glory of the LORD appeared vnto them.
…And the LORD spake vnto Moses saying,
…Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly to-
…thou and Aaron thy brother, and speake yee
…the rocke before their eyes, and it shall giue
…his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them
…out of the rocke: so thou shalt giue the con-
…gation, and their beasts drinke.
…And Moses tooke the rod from before the
…D as he commanded him.
…And Moses and Aaron gathered the Congre-
…on together before the rocke, and he said vnto
…Heare now yee rebels: must we fetch you wa-
…t of this rocke?
…And Moses lift vp his hand, and with his rod
…ote the rocke twice: and the water came out
…antly, and the Congregation dranke, and
…beasts also.
…And the LORD spake vnto Moses and Aa-
…because ye beleeue me not, to sanctifie mee in
…es of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall
…ring this Congregation into the land which I
…giuen them.
…This is the water of ‖ Meribah, because the
…en of Israel strone with the LORD: and hee
…anctified in them.
…And *Moses sent messengers from Kadesh,
…the king of Edom; Thus saith thy brother Is-
…Thou knowest all the trauell that hath † be-
…n vs:
…How our Fathers went downe into Egypt, and
…e dwelt in Egypt a long time: and the Egyp-
…ans vexed vs, and our fathers.
…And when we cryed vnto the LORD, he heard
…yce, and sent an Angel, and hath brought vs
…t of Egypt: and behold, we are in Kadesh,
…in the vttermost of thy border.
…Let vs passe, I pray thee, thorow thy countrey:
…e will not passe thorow the fields, or thorow the
…ds, neither will we drinke of the water of the
…wels: we will goe by the Kings high way, wee will not turne to the right hand nor to the left, vntill we haue passed thy borders.

18 And Edom said vnto him, Thou shalt not passe by me, lest I come out against thee with the sword.

19 And the children of Israel said vnto him, We will goe by the high way: and if I and my cattell drinke of thy water, then I will pay for it: I will onely (without *doing* any thing *else*) goe thorow on my feet.

20 And he said, Thou shalt not goe thorow. And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand.

21 Thus Edom refused to giue Israel passage thorow his border: wherefore Israel turned away from him.

22 ¶ And the children of Israel, euen the whole Congregation iourneyed from* Kadesh, and came vnto mount Hor. *Chap. 33.37.

23 And the LORD spake vnto Moses & Aaron in mount Hor, by ẏ coast of the land of Edom, saying,

24 Aaron shall be gathered vnto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I haue giuen vnto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my † word, at the water of Meribah. † Hebr. mouth.

25 *Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them vp vnto mount Hor. *Chap.

26 And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them vpon Eleazar his son, and Aaron shall be gathered vnto his people, and shall die there. 33.38. deut. 32. 50.

27 And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went vp into mount Hor, in the sight of all the Congregation.

28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them vpon Eleazar his sonne, and *Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and Moses and Eleazar came downe from the mount. * Deut. 10. 6 & 32. 50.

29 And when all the Congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they mourned for Aaron thirty dayes, *euen* all the house of Israel.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Israel with some losse, destroy the Canaanites at Hormah. 4 The people murmuring, are plagued with fiery serpents. 7 They repenting, are healed by a brasin serpent. 10 Sundry iourneys of the Israelites. 21 Sihon is ouercome. 33 and Og.

AND when * King Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the South, heard tell that Israel came by the way of the spies, then he fought against Israel, and tooke some of them prisoners. *Chap. 33.40.

2 And Israel vowed a vow vnto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt indeed deliuer this people into mine hand, then I will vtterly destroy their cities.

3 And the LORD hearkened to the voyce of Israel, and deliuered vp the Canaanites: and they vtterly destroyed them and their cities, and he called the name of the place ‖Hormah. ‖ That is, vtter destruction.

4 ¶ And they iourneyed from mount Hor, by the way of the red Sea, to compasse the land of Edom: and the soule of the people was much ‖ discouraged because of the way. ‖ Or, grieued, heb. shortned.

5 And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore haue ye brought vs vp out of Egypt, to die in the wildernesse? for there is no bread, neither is there any water, and our soule *loatheth this light bread. *Chap. 11.6. *Wisd. 16.1.5. 1.cor. 10.9.

6 And *the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, and much people of Israel died.

7 ¶ Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We haue sinned; for we haue spoken against the

the LORD, and against thee: pray vnto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from vs: and Moses prayed for the people.

8 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it vpon a pole: and it shall come to passe that every one that is bitten, when he looketh vpon it, shall liue.

9 And *Moses made a serpent of brasse, and put it vpon a pole, and it came to passe, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brasse, he liued.

*2. Kings. 18.4. Iohn. 3. 14.

10 ¶ And the children of Israel set forward, and *pitched in Oboth.

* Chap. 33.45.

11 And they iourneyed from Oboth, and pitched at ‖ Ie Abarim in the wildernesse which is before Moab, toward the Sunne rising.

‖ Or, heapes of Abarim.

12 ¶ From thence they remoued, and pitched in the valley of Zared.

13 From thence they removed, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, which is in the wildernesse that commeth out of the coasts of the Amorites: for Arnon is the border of Moab, betweene Moab and the Amorites.

14 Wherefore it is said in the booke of the warres of the LORD, ‖ what he did in the red Sea, and in the brookes of Arnon.

‖ Or, Va. heb. in Suphah.

15 And at the streame of the brookes that goeth downe to the dwelling of Ar, and † lieth vpon the border of Moab.

† Hebr. leaneth.

16 And from thence *they went* to Beer: that *is* the well whereof the LORD spake vnto Moses, Gather the people together, & I will giue them water.

17 ¶ Then Israel sang this song, † Spring vp, O well, ‖ Sing ye vnto it:

† Hebr. ascend. ‖ Or, answere.

18 The Princes digged the well, the Nobles of the people digged it, by *the direction of* the Lawgiuer with their staues. And from the wildernesse, *they went* to Mattanah:

19 And from Mattanah to Nahaliel, and from Nahaliel to Bamoth:

20 And from Bamoth *in* the valley, that *is* in the † countrey of Moab, to the top of ‖ Pisgah, which looketh toward ‖ Ieshimon.

† Hebr. field. ‖ Or, hill. ‖ Or, the wildernesse.

21 ¶ And Israel sent messengers vnto Sihon king of the Amorites saying,

22 *Let me passe thorow thy land, wee will not turne into the fields, or into the vineyards, we will not drinke of the waters of the well: but we will go a long by the Kings *high* way, vntill we bee past thy borders:

* Deut. 2. 27. iudg. 11. 19. * Deut. 29. 7.

23 * And Sihon would not suffer Israel to passe thorow his border: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wildernesse: and he came to Iahaz, and fought against Israel.

24 *And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land, from Arnon vnto Iabok, euen vnto the children of Ammon: for the border of the children of Ammon was strong.

* Iosh. 12. 2. psa. 135. 11. amos 2. 9.

25 And Israel tooke all these cities: and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all the † villages thereof.

† Hebr. daugh. ters.

26 For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the King of the Amorites, who had fought against the former King of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, euen vnto Arnon.

27 Wherefore they that speake in Prouerbes, say, Come into Heshbon; let the city of Sihon be built and prepared.

28 For there is a fire gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon: it hath consumed Ar of Moab, *and* the lords of the high places of Arnon.

29 Woe to thee, Moab, thou art vndone O people of *Chemosh: hee hath giuen his sonnes that escaped, and his daughters into captiuity, vnto Sihon King of the Amorites.

30 We haue shot at them: Heshbon is perished euen vnto Dibon, and we haue laid them waste vnto Nophah, which *reacheth* vnto Medeba.

31 ¶ Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.

32 And Moses sent to spie out Iaazer, and they tooke the villages thereof, and drone out the Amorites that *were* there.

33 ¶ *And they turned and went vp by the way of Bashan, & Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he and all his people, to the battell at Edrei.

34 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Feare him not: for I haue deliuered him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land, and * thou shalt do vnto him as thou didst vnto Sihon King of the Amorites which dwelt at Heshbon.

35 So they smote him and his sonnes, and all his people: vntill there was none left him aliue, and they possessed his land.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *Balaks first message for Balaam is refused. His second message obtaineth him. 22 An Angel withstandeth him. 28 His asse rebuketh him. 36 Balak entertaineth him.

AND the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the plaines of Moab, on this side Iordan by Iericho.

2 ¶ And Balak the sonne of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites.

3 And Moab was sore afraid of the people, because they were many and Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel.

4 And Moab said vnto the Elders of Midian, Now shall this company licke vp all that are round about vs, as the oxe licketh vp the grasse of the field, and Balak the sonne of Zippor was king of the Moabites at that time.

5 *He sent messengers therefore vnto Balaam the son of Beor, to Pethor, which is by the riuer of the land of the children of his people to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt: behold, they couer the face of the earth, and they abide ouer against me.

6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people: for they are too mighty for me: peraduenture I shall preuaile, that we may smite them, and that I may driue them out of the land: for I wote that he whom thou blessest is blessed, and he whom thou curssest is cursed.

7 And the Elders of Moab, and the Elders of Midian departed, with the rewards of diuination in their hand: and they came vnto Balaam, and spake vnto him the words of Balak.

8 And he said vnto them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as the LORD shall speake vnto me: and the Princes of Moab abode with Balaam.

9 And God came vnto Balaam, and said, What men are these with thee?

10 And Balaam said vnto God, Balak the sonne of Zippor, King of Moab hath sent vnto me, saying,

11 Behold, there is a people come out of Egypt, which couereth the face of the earth: Come now, curse me them: peraduenture I shall be able to fight against them, and driue them out.

12 And God said to Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them, thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed.

13

And Balaam rose vp in the morning, and said
the Princes of Balak, Get you into your
: for the LORD refuseth to giue me leaue to
with you.
And the Princes of Moab rose vp, and they
vnto Balak, and said, Balaam refuseth to
e with vs.
¶ And Balak sent yet againe Princes moe,
more honourable then they.
And they came to Balaam, and said vnto him,
us saith Balak the son of Zippor, † Let nothing,
ay thee hinder thee from comming vnto me.
For I will promote thee vnto very great ho-
, and I will do whatsoeuer thou saiest vnto me:
e therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people.
And Balaam answered, and said vnto the ser-
s of Balak, *If Balak would giue me his house
of siluer and gold, I cannot goe beyond the
d of the LORD my God, to doe lesse or more.
Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here
night, that I may know what the LORD will
unto me more.
And God came vnto Balaam at night, and
vnto him, If the men come to call thee, rise vp,
go with them: but yet the word which I shall
unto thee, that shalt thou doe.
And Balaam rose vp in the morning, and sad-
his asse, and went with the Princes of Moab.
¶ And Gods anger was kindled because hee
: & the Angel of the LORD stood in the way
an aduersary against him: Now he was riding
his asse, and his two seruants were with him.
And *the asse saw the Angel of the LORD
ding in the way, and his sword drawne in his
d: and the asse turned aside out of the way and
e into the field: and Balaam smote the asse to
e her into the way.
But the Angel of the LORD stood in a path
he vineyards a wall being on this side, and a
l on that side.
And when the asse saw the Angel of the
RD, shee thrust her selfe vnto the wall, and
t Balaams foot against the wall: and hee
e her againe.
And the Angel of the LORD went further,
stood in a narrow place, where was no way to
e either to the right hand, or to the left.
And when the asse saw the Angel of the
RD, she fell downe vnder Balaam, and Balaams
e was kindled, and hee smote the asse with a
.
And the LORD opened the mouth of the asse,
she said vnto Balaam, What haue I done vnto
that thou hast smitten me these three times?
And Balaam said vnto the asse, Because thou
mocked mee: I would there were a sword in
hand, for now would I kill thee.
And the asse said vnto Balaam, *Am* not I
e asse, † vpon which thou hast ridden I euer
I was thine, vnto this day? was I euer wont to
so vnto thee? And he said, Nay.
Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam,
he saw the Angel of the LORD standing in the
, and his sword drawne in his hand: and hee
d downe his head, and ‖ fell flat on his face.
And the Angel of the LORD said vnto him,
erefore hast thou smitten thine asse these three
s? Behold, I went out † to withstand thee, be-
thy way is peruerse before me.
And the asse saw me, and turned from me these
e times: vnlesse she had turned from me, surely
ld I had slaine thee, and saued her aliue.

34 And Balaam said vnto the Angel of the LORD, I haue sinned: for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against mee: Now therefore if it † displease thee, I will get me backe againe. † Heb. *be euill in thine eies.*

35 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto Balaam, Goe with the men: but onely the word that I shall speake vnto thee, that thou shalt speake: So Balaam went with the Princes of Balak.

36 ¶ And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went out to meet him, vnto a city of Moab, which *is* in the border of Arnon, which *is* in the vtmost coast.

37 And Balak said vnto Balaam, Did I not earnestly send vnto thee to call thee? Wherefore camest thou not vnto mee? Am I not able indeed to promote thee to honour?

38 And Balaam said vnto Balak, Loe, I am come vnto thee: haue I now any power at all to say any thing? the word that God putteth in my mouth, that shall I speake.

39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they came vnto ‖ Kiriath Huzoth. ‖ Or, *a city of streets.*

40 And Balak offered oxen, and sheepe, and sent to Balaam, & to the Princes which *were* with him.

41 And it came to passe on the morrow, that Balak tooke Balaam, and brought him vp into the high places of Baal, that thence hee might see the vtmost part of the people.

CHAP. XXIII.

1.13.28. *Balaks sacrifice.* 7.18 *Balaams parable.*

AND Balaam said vnto Balak, Build mee here seuen altars, and prepare me here seuen oxen, and seuen rams.

2 And Balak did as Balaam had spoken, and Balak and Balaam offered on *euery* Altar a bullocke and a ram.

3 And Balaam said vnto Balak, Stand by thy burnt offering, and I will goe: peraduenture the LORD will come to meet me, and whatsoeuer hee sheweth me, I will tell thee. And ‖ he went *to* an high place. ‖ Or, *he went softly.*

4 And God met Balaam, and he said vnto him, I haue prepared seuen Altars, and I haue offered vp on *euery* Altar a bullocke and a ram.

5 And the LORD put a word in Balaams mouth, and said, Returne vnto Balak, and thus thou shalt speake.

6 And he returned vnto him, and loe, he stood by his burnt sacrifice, he, and all the Princes of Moab.

7 And he tooke vp his parable, and said, Balak the King of Moab hath brought mee from Aram, out of the mountaines of the East, *saying*, Come, curse me Iacob; and come, defie Israel.

8 How shall I curse *whom* God hath not cursed? or how shall I defie *whom* § LORD hath not defied?

9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, & from the hils I behold him: loe, the people shall dwell alone, and shal not be reckoned among the nations.

10 Who can count the dust of Iacob, and the number of the fourth part of Israel? Let † me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end bee like his. † Heb. *my soule, or my life.*

11 And Balak said vnto Balaam, What hast thou done vnto me? I tooke thee to curse mine enemies, and behold, thou hast blessed them altogether.

12 And hee answered, and said, Must I not take heed to speake that which the LORD hath put in my mouth?

13 And Balak said vnto him, Come, I pray thee, with mee vnto another place, from whence thou maiest see them: thou shalt see but the vtmost part of them, and shalt not see them all; and curse mee them from thence.

14 ¶ And

14 ¶ And hee brought him into the field of Zophim to the top of ‖Piſgah, and built ſeuen Altars, and offered a bullocke and a ram on *euery* Altar.

‖ *Or, the field.*

15 And hee ſaid vnto Balak, Stand here by thy burnt offering, while I meet *the* LORD yonder.

16 And the LORD met Balaam, and *put a word in his mouth, and ſaid, Goe againe vnto Balak, and ſay thus.

* Chap. 22.35.

17 And when he came to him behold, he ſtood by his burnt offering, and the Princes of Moab with him. And Balak ſaid vnto him, What hath the LORD ſpoken?

18 And hee tooke vp his parable, and ſaid, Riſe vp Balak, and heare; hearken vnto me, thou ſonne of Zippor.

19 God *is* not a man that hee ſhould lie, neither the ſonne of man that hee ſhould repent: hath hee ſaid, and ſhall he not do *it*? or hath he ſpoken, and ſhall he not make it good?

20 Behold, I haue receiued *commandement* to bleſſe: and he hath bleſſed, and I cannot reuerſe it.

21 He hath not beheld iniquity in Iacob, neither hath he ſeene perueerſeneſſe in Iſrael: the LORD his God *is* with him, and the ſhout of a King *is* among them.

22 * God brought them out of Egypt; hee hath as it were the ſtrength of an Vnicorne.

* Chap. 24.8.

23 Surely there *is* no inchantment ‖againſt Iacob, neither is there any diuination againſt Iſrael: according to this time it ſhall be ſaid of Iacob, and of Iſrael, What hath God wrought!

‖ *Or, in.*

24 Behold, the people ſhall riſe vp as a great Lyon, and lift vp himſelfe as a young Lyon: hee ſhall not lie downe vntill he eate of the prey, and drinke the blood of the ſlaine.

25 ¶ And Balak ſaid vnto Balaam, Neither curſe them at all, nor bleſſe them at all.

26 But Balaam anſwered, and ſaid vnto Balak, Told not I thee, ſaying, All that the LORD ſpeaketh, that I muſt doe?

27 ¶ And Balak ſaid vnto Balaam, Come, I pray thee, I will bring thee vnto another place: peradmenture it will pleaſe God, that thou mayeſt curſe me them from thence.

28 And Balak brought Balaam vnto the top of Peor, that looketh toward Ieſhimon.

29 And Balaam ſaid vnto Balak, Build me here ſeuen Altars, and prepare me here ſeuen bullockes, and ſeuen rammes.

30 And Balak did as Balaam had ſaid, and offered a bullocke and a ram on *euery* Altar.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Balaam leauing diuinations, propheſieth the happineſſe of Iſrael. 10 Balak in anger diſmiſſeth him: 15 He propheſieth of the Starre of Iacob, and the deſtruction of ſome nations.

AND when Balaam ſaw that it pleaſed the LORD to bleſſe Iſrael, he went not as at other

* Chap. 23.3,15.

* times, to †ſeeke for inchantments, but he ſet his faces toward the wilderneſſe.

† *Heb. to the meeting of inchantments.*

2 And Balaam lift vp his eyes, and he ſaw Iſrael abiding in his tents, according to their tribes: and the Spirit of God came vpon him.

3 * And hee tooke vp his parable, and ſaid, Balaam the ſonne of Beor hath ſaid, and the man †whoſe eyes are open, hath ſaid:

* Chap. 23.7,18.

† *Hebr. to bad his eyes ſhut, but now open*

4 He hath ſaid, *which* heard the words of God, which ſaw the viſion of the Almighty, falling *into a trance*, but hauing his eyes open:

5 How goodly are thy tents, O Iacob, *and* thy Tabernacles, O Iſrael!

6 As the valleys are they ſpread foorth, as gardens by the riuer ſide, as the trees of Lignedes which the LORD hath planted, *and* as Cedar trees beſide the waters.

7 He ſhall powre the water out of his buckets, and his ſeed *ſhall be* in many waters, and his King ſhall be higher then Agag, and his kingdome ſhall be exalted.

8 God brought him foorth out of Egypt; he hath as it were the ſtrength of an Vnicorne: he ſhall eate vp the nations his enemies, and ſhall breake their bones, and pierce *them* thorow with his arrowes.

9 * He couched, he lay downe as a lyon, and as a great lyon; who ſhall ſtirre him vp? Bleſſed *is* he that bleſſeth thee, and curſed *is* he that curſeth thee.

10 ¶ And Balaks anger was kindled againſt Balaam, and he ſmote his hands together: and Balak ſaid vnto Balaam, I called thee to curſe mine enemies, and behold, thou haſt altogether bleſſed them these three times.

11 Therefore now, flee thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee vnto great honour, but lo, the LORD hath kept thee backe from honour.

12 And Balaam ſaid vnto Balak, Spake I not alſo vnto thy meſſengers which thou ſentteſt to me, ſaying,

13 If Balak would giue me his houſe full of ſilver and gold, I cannot goe beyond the commandement of the LORD, to doe either good or bad of mine owne mind? *but* what the LORD ſaith, that will I ſpeake.

14 And now behold, I go vnto my people: come therefore, and I will aduertiſe thee what this people ſhall doe to thy people in the latter dayes.

15 ¶ And he tooke vp his parable, and ſaid, Balaam the ſon of Beor hath ſaid, and the man whoſe eyes are open hath ſaid:

16 He hath ſaid which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the moſt High, *which* ſaw the viſion of the Almighty falling into a trance, but hauing his eyes open.

17 I ſhall ſee him, but not now: I ſhall behold him, but not nigh: There ſhall come a Starre out of Iacob, and a Scepter ſhal riſe out of Iſrael, and ſhall ‖ ſmite the corners of Moab, and deſtroy all the children of Sheth.

‖ *ſmite the corners of Moab, and deſtroy all the children of Sheth.*

18 And Edom ſhall bee a poſſeſſion, Seir alſo ſhall be a poſſeſſion for his enemies, and Iſrael ſhall doe valiantly.

19 Out of Iacob ſhall come he ‖ ſhall haue dominion, and ſhall deſtroy him ‖ that eſcapeth of the city.

‖ *ſhall haue dominion, and ſhall deſtroy him that eſcapeth of the city.*

20 ¶ And when he looked on Amalek, he tooke vp his parable, and ſaid, Amalek *was* ‖ the firſt of the nations, but his latter end ‖ *ſhall be* that he periſh for euer.

‖ *was the firſt of the nations, but his latter end ſhall be that he periſh for euer.*

21 And he looked on the Kenites, and tooke vp his parable, and ſaid, Strong is thy dwelling place, and thou putteſt thy truſt in a rocke.

22 Neuertheleſſe, † the Kenite ſhall be waſted, ‖ vntill Aſſhur ſhall carry thee away captiue.

† *the Kenite ſhall be waſted,* ‖ *vntill Aſſhur ſhall carry thee away captiue.*

23 And he tooke vp his parable, and ſaid, Alas, who ſhall liue when God doth this?

24 And ſhips *ſhall come* from the coaſt of Chittim, and ſhall afflict Aſſhur, and ſhall afflict Eber, and he alſo ſhall periſh for euer.

25 And Balaam roſe vp, and went and returned to his place: and Balak alſo went his way.

CHAP. XXV.

1 Iſrael at Shittim commits whoredome and idolatry. 6 Phinehas killeth Zimri and Cozbi, 10 for therefore giueth him an euerlaſting Prieſthood. 16 The Midianites are to be vexed,

Nd Israel abode in * Shittim, and the people begun to commit whoredome with the daughters of Moab.

And they called the people vnto the sacrifices their gods: and the people did eate, and bowed vnto their gods.

And Israel ioyned himselfe vnto Baal Peor: the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.

And the LORD said vnto Moses, *Take all the heads of the people, and hang them vp before the LORD against the Sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.

And Moses said vnto the Iudges of Israel, Slay yee euery one his men, that were ioyned vnto Baal Peor.

¶ And behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought vnto his brethren a Midianitish woman, in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the Congregation of the children of Israel, who were weeping before the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

And * when Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron the Priest saw it, hee rose vp from among the Congregation, and tooke a iauelin in his hand:

And hee went after the man of Israel, into the tent, and thrust both of them thorow, the man of Israel, and the woman thorow her belly: so the plague was stayed from the children of Israel.

And * those that died in the plagne were foure and foure thousand.

¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

* Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron the Priest, hath turned my wrath away from the children of Israel, (while he was zealous for my sake among them) that I consumed not the children of Israel in my iealousie.

Wherefore say, * Behold, I giue vnto him my Couenant of peace. *Rom. 12. 10.*

And he shall haue it, and his seed after him, even the Couenant of an euerlasting Priesthood, because he was zealous for his God, and made an atonement for the children of Israel.

Now the name of the Israelite that was slaine, even that was slaine with the Midianitish woman, was Zimri the sonne of Salu, a prince of a chiefe house among the Simeonites.

And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slaine, was Cozbi the daughter of Zur, he was head ouer a people, & of a chiefe house in Midian.

¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

Vexe the Midianites, and smite them:

for they vexe you with their wiles, wherewith they beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian their sister, which was slaine in the day of the plague for Peors sake.

CHAP. XXVI.

The summe of all Israel is taken in the plaines of Moab. 52 The law of dividing among them the inheritance of the land. 57 The families and number of the Leuites. 63 None were left of them which were numbred at Sinai, but Caleb and Iosuah.

And it came to passe after the plague, that the LORD spake vnto Moses, and vnto Eleazar the sonne of Aaron the Priest, saying,

Take the summe of all the Congregation of the children of Israel, * from twenty yeres old and aboue, throughout their fathers house, all that are able to goe to warre in Israel.

Moses and Eleazar the Priest spake with them in the plaines of Moab by Iordan, *neere* Iericho, saying,

4 *Take the summe* of the people, from twenty yeeres old and vpward, as the LORD * commanded Moses, and the children of Israel which went forth out of the land of Egypt.

5 ¶ * Reuben the eldest sonne of Israel: the children of Reuben, Hanoch, *of whom commeth* the family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Pallnites:

6 Of Hesron, the family of the Hesronites: of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.

7 These *are* the families of the Reubenites: and they that were numbred of them were fourty and three thousand, and seuen hundred and thirty.

8 And the sonnes of Pallu, Eliab.

9 And the sonnes of Eliab Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram: this *is* that Dathan & Abiram, *which* were famous in the Congregation, who * strone against Moses and against Aaron, in the company of Korah, when they strone against the LORD:

10 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them vp together with Korah, when that company died, what time the fire deuoured two hundred and fifty men, and they became a signe.

11 Notwithstanding, the children of Korah died not.

12 ¶ The sonnes of Simeon after their families: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites: of Iamin, the family of the Iaminites: of Iachin, the family of the Iachinites.

13 Of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites: of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.

14 These *are* the families of the Simeonites: twenty and two thousand and two hundred.

15 ¶ The children of Gad, after their families: of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: of Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni, the family of the Shunites.

16 Of Ozni, the family of the Oznites: of Eri, the family of the Erites.

17 Of Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Areli, the family of the Arelites.

18 These *are* the families of the children of Gad, according to those that were numbred of them, fourty thousand and fiue hundred.

19 ¶ * The sonnes of Iudah *were* Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.

20 And the sonnes of Iudah after their families were: of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites: of Pharez the family of the Pharzites: of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.

21 And the sonnes of Pharez were: Of Hesron, the family of the Hesronites: of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites.

22 These *are* the families of Iudah, according to those that were numbred of them, threescore and sixteene thousand and fiue hundred.

23 ¶ Of the sons of Issachar, after their families: of Tola, the family of the Tolaites: of Pua, the family of the Punites.

24 Of Iashub, the family of the Iashubites: of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites.

25 These *are* the families of Issachar, according to those that were numbred of them, threescore and foure thousand, and three hundred.

26 ¶ Of the sonnes of Zebulun, after their families: of Sered, the family of the Sardites: of Elons the family of the Elonites: of Iahleel, the family of the Iahleelites.

27 These *are* the families of the Zebulunites according to those that were numbred of them

* Chap. 1.1.

* Gen. 46. 8. exod. 6. 14. 1. chr. 5. 1.

* Chap. 16. 2.

* Gen. 38. 3, &c. & 46. 12.

threescore thousand and five hundred.

28 ¶ The sonnes of Ioseph after their families, were Manasseh and Ephraim.

29 Of the sonnes of Manasseh: Of * Machir, the family of the Machirites: & Machir begat Gilead: Of Gilead come the family of the Gileadites.

30 These are the sonnes of Gilead: Of Iezer, the family of the Iezerites: Of Helek, the family of the Helekites.

31 And of Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and of Shechem, the family of the Shechemites.

32 And of Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites: and of Hepher, the family of the Hepherites.

33 ¶ And * Zelophehad the sonne of Hepher had no sonnes, but daughters: and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad, were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

34 These are the families of Manasseh, and those that were numbred of them, fifty and two thousand and seuen hundred.

35 ¶ These are the sonnes of Ephraim, after their families: Of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites: Of Bacher, the family of the Bachrites: Of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.

36 And these are the sonnes of Shuthelah: Of Eran, the family of the Eranites.

37 These are the families of the sons of Ephraim, according to those that were numbred of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These are the sonnes of Ioseph after their families.

38 ¶ The sons of Beniamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites: Of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: Of Ahiram the family of the Ahiramites:

39 Of Shupham the family of the Shuphamites: Of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.

40 And the sonnes of Bela, were Ard, and Naaman: of Ard, the family of the Ardites: and of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.

41 These are the sonnes of Beniamin, after their families; and they that were numbred of them, were fourty and five thousand and six hundred.

42 ¶ These are the sonnes of Dan, after their families: of Shuham the family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan, after their families.

43 All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbred of them, were threescore and foure thousand and foure hundred.

44 ¶ Of the children of Asher after their families: of Iimna, the family of the Iimnites: of Iesui, the family of the Iesuites: of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.

45 Of the sonnes of Beriah: Of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.

46 And the name of the daughter of Asher, was Sarah.

47 These are the families of the sonnes of Asher, according to those that were numbred of them, who were fifty and three thousand and foure hundred.

48 Of the sonnes of Naphtali, after their families: of Iahzeel, the family of the Iahzeelites: of Guni, the family of the Gunites.

49 Of Iezer, the family of the Iezerites: of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.

50 These are the families of Naphtali, according to their families: and they that were numbred of them, were fourtie and five thousand and foure hundred.

51 These were the numbred of the children of Israel, six hundred thousand, and a thousand, seuen hundred and thirty.

52 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,

53 Vnto these the land shal be diuided for an inheritance, according to the number of names.

54 * To many thou shalt † giue the more inheritance, and to few thou shalt † giue the lesse inheritance: to euery one shall his inheritance be giuen according to those that were numbred of him.

55 Notwithstanding the land shall be * diuided by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their Fathers, they shall inherite.

56 According to the lot shal the possession thereof be diuided betweene many and few.

57 ¶ * And these are they that were numbred of the Leuites after their families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of Merari, the family of the Merarites.

58 These are the families of the Leuites: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korathites: and Kohath begat Amram.

59 And the name of Amrams wife was * Iochebed the daughter of Leui, whom her mother bare to Leui in Egypt: and shee bare vnto Amram Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam their sister.

60 And vnto Aaron was borne Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

61 And * Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before the LORD.

62 And those that were numbred of them, were twenty and three thousand, all males from a moneth old and vpward: for they were not numbred among the children of Israel, because there was no inheritance giuen them among the children of Israel.

63 ¶ These are they that were numbred by Moses and Eleazar the Priest, who numbred the children of Israel in the plaines of Moab, by Iordan neere Iericho.

64 But among these there was not a man of those whom Moses and Aaron the Priest numbred, when they numbred the children of Israel in the wildernesse of Sinai.

65 For the LORD had said of them, They shall surely die in the wildernesse: and there was not left a man of them, saue Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh and Iosshua the sonne of Nun.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 The daughters of Zelophehad sue for inheritance. 6 The law of inheritances. 12 Moses told of his death, sueth for a successour. 18 Ioshua appointed to succeed him.

THen came the daughters of * Zelophehad the sonne of Hepher, the sonne of Gilead, the sonne of Machir, the sonne of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the sonne of Ioseph: and these are the names of his daughters: Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.

2 And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the Priest, and before the Princes, and all the Congregation by the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, saying,

3 Our father * died in the wildernesse, and he was not in the company of them that gathered themselues together against the LORD in the company of Korah: but died in his owne sinne, and had no sonnes.

4 Why should the name of our father be done away from among his family, because he hath no sonne? Giue vnto vs therefore a possession among the brethren of our father.

5 And

And Moses brought their cause before the
D.
6 And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
The daughters of Zelophehad speake right:
shalt surely giue them a possession of an in-
ance among their fathers brethren, and thou
cause the inheritance of their fathers to passe
them.
And thou shalt speake vnto the children of
saying. If a man die, and haue no sonne, then
all cause his inheritance to passe vnto his
ter.
And if he haue no daughter, then ye shall giue
heritance vnto his brethren.
And if he haue no brethren, then ye shal giue
heritance vnto his fathers brethren.
And if his father haue no brethren, then yee
giue his inheritance vnto his kinseman that
e to him of his family, and hee shall possesse
and it shalbe vnto the children of Israel a Sta-
of Iudgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.
7 And the LORD said vnto Moses, * Get thee
to this mount Abarim, and see the land which
e giuen vnto the children of Israel.
And when thou hast seene it, thou also shalt
thered vnto thy people, as * Aaron thy bro-
was gathered.
For * ye rebelled against my Commandement
the desart of Zin, in the strife of the Congre-
) to sanctifie mee at the water before their
that is the * water of Meribah in Kadesh in
ldernesse of Zin.
7 And Moses spake vnto the LORD, saying,
Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all
h, a man ouer the Congregation,
Which may goe out before them, and which
o in before them, and which may leade them
d which may bring them in, that the Con-
tion of the LORD bee not as sheepe which
e shepherd.
7 And the LORD said vnto Moses, Take thee
the sonne of Nun, a man in whom is the spi-
d lay thine hand vpon him.
And set him before Eleazar the Priest, and
all the Congregation: and giue him a
in their sight.
And thou shalt put some of thine honour vp-
, that all the Congregation of the children
el may be obedient.
And he shall stand before Eleazar the Priest,
all aske counsell for him * after the iudge-
of Vrim before the LORD: at his word shall
e out, and at his word shall they come in,
e and all the children of Israel with him,
l the Congregation.
And Moses did as the LORD commanded
and he tooke Iosh ua, and set him before Ele-
e Priest, and before all the Congregation.
And he laid his hands vpon him, and gaue
charge as the LORD commanded by the
of Moses.

CHAP. XXVIII.

Offrings are to bee obserued. 3 The continuall offering. 9 The offering on the Sabbath. 11 Moones, 16 at the Passeouer, 26 in the feast Suits.

And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, and say
them, My offering, and my bread for my sacri-
ce by fire for a ? sweet sauour vnto me, shall
ye to offer vnto me in their due season
And thou shalt say vnto them, * This is the
offering made by fire, which ye shall offer vnto the
LORD: two lambs of the first yeere without spot
† day by day for a continuall burnt offering.
4 The one lambe shalt thou offer in the morning,
and the other lambe shalt thou offer † at euen.
5 And a tenth part of an Ephah of flowre for a
* meat offering, mingled with the fourth part of
an * Hin of beaten oyle.
6 It is a continuall burnt offering, which was or-
dained in mount Sinai for a sweet sauour, a sacri-
fice made by fire vnto the LORD.
7 And the drinke offering thereof shall bee the
fourth part of an Hin for the one lambe: in the
holy place shalt thou cause the strong wine to bee
powred vnto the LORD for a drinke offering.
8 And the other lambe shalt thou offer at euen
as the meat offering of the morning, and as the
drinke offering thereof, thou shalt offer it, a sacri-
fice made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD.
9 ¶ And on the Sabbath day two lambes of the
first yeere without spot, and two tenth deales of
flowre for a meat offering mingled with oyle, and
the drinke offering thereof.
10 This is the burnt offering of euery Sabbath,
besides the continuall burnt offering, and his drink
offering.
11 ¶ And in the beginnings of your moneths, ye
shall offer a burnt offering vnto the LORD: Two
young bullocks, and one ramme, seuen lambes of
the first yeere without spot,
12 And three tenth deales of flowre for a meat
offering mingled with oyle for one bullocke, and
two tenth deales of flowre for a meat offering
mingled with oyle for one ramme:
13 And a seuerall tenth deale of flowre mingled
with oyle for a meat offering vnto one lambe, for a
burnt offering of a sweet sauour, a sacrifice made
by fire vnto the LORD.
14 And their drinke offerings shall be halfe an
Hin of wine vnto a bullocke, and the third part of
an Hin vnto a ramme, and a fourth part of an Hin
vnto a lambe: This is the burnt offering of euery
moneth, throughout the moneths of the yeere.
15 And one kid of the goats for a sinne offering
vnto the LORD, shall be offered, besides the conti-
nuall burnt offering, and his drinke offering.
16 * And in the fourteenth day of the first mo-
neth, is the Passeouer of the LORD.
17 And in the fifteenth day of this moneth, is the
feast: seuen dayes shall vnleauened bread be eaten.
18 In the * first day shall be an holy conuocation,
ye shall doe no manner of seruile worke therein.
19 But ye shall offer a sacrifice made by fire for a
burnt offring vnto the LORD, two yong bullockes,
and one ram, and seuen lambes of the first yeere:
they shall be vnto you without blemish.
20 And their meat offering shall bee of flowre
mingled with oyle: three tenth deales shal ye offer
for a bullocke, and two tenth deales for a ram:
21 A seuerall tenth deale shall ye offer for euery
lambe, throughout the seuen lambes:
22 And one goat for a sinne offering, to make an
atonement for you.
23 Ye shall offer these beside the burnt offering in
the morning, which is for a continual burnt offring.
24 After this manner ye shall offer daily through-
out the seuen dayes, the meat of the sacrifice made
by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD: it shall
be offered beside the continuall burnt offering, and
his drinke offering.
25 And on the seuenth day ye shall haue an holy
conuocation: ye shall doe no seruile worke.

† Hebr. in a day.
† Hebr. betweene the two euenings.
* Leuit. 2.1.
* Exod. 29.40.
* Exodus 12,18. Leui. 23.5.
* Leuit. 23.7.

26 ¶ Also in the day of the first fruits, when yee bring a new meat offering vnto the LORD, after your weekes *be out*: yee shall haue an holy conuocation, ye shall doe no seruile worke.

27 But ye shall offer the burnt offering for a sweet sauour vnto the LORD, two young bullocks, one ramme, seuen lambes of the first yeere.

28 And their meat offering of flowre mingled with oyle, three tenth deales vnto one bullocke, two tenth deales vnto one ramme.

29 A seuerall tenth deale vnto one lamb, throughout the seuen lambes.

30 *And* one kid of the goats, to make an atonement for you.

31 Ye shall offer *them* beside the continuall burnt offering, and his meat offering, (they shall be vnto you without blemish,) and their drinke offerings.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 *The offering at the feast of Trumpets, 7 at the day of afflicting their soules, 13 and on the eight dayes of the feast of Tabernacles.*

AND in the seuenth moneth, on the first *day* of the moneth, ye shall haue an holy conuocation, ye
* Leuit. 23.24. shall doe no seruile worke: * it is a day of blowing the trumpets vnto you:

2 And ye shall offer a burnt offering for a sweet sauour vnto the LORD, one yong bullocke, one ram, and seuen lambes of the first yere without blemish.

3 And their meat offering *shall be* of flowre mingled with oyle, three tenth deales for a bullock, *and* two tenth deales for a ramme:

4 And one tenth deale for one lambe, throughout the seuen lambes:

5 And one kid of the goats for a sinne offering, to make an atonement for you:

6 Beside the burnt offering of the moneth, and his meat offering, and their dayly burnt offerings, & his meat offring, and their drinke offerings, according to their manner, for a sweet sauour, a sacrifice made by fire vnto the LORD.

* Leuit. 16.29. & 23.27. 7 ¶ And * ye shall haue on the tenth day of this seuenth moneth, an holy conuocation: and ye shall afflict your soules: yee shall not doe any worke therein.

8 But ye shall offer a burnt offering vnto the LORD for a sweet sauour, one young bullocke, one ram, *and* seuen lambes of the first yeere, they shall be vnto you without blemish.

9 And their meat offering shalbe of flowre mingled with oyle, three tenth deales to a bullocke, *and* two tenth deales to one ramme:

10 A seuerall tenth deale for one lambe, throughout the seuen lambes:

11 One kid of the goats for a sin offering, beside the sin offering of atonement, and the continuall burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drinke offerings.

12 ¶ And on the fifteenth day of the seuenth moneth, ye shall haue an holy conuocation, ye shall do no seruile work, and ye shall keepe a feast vnto the LORD seuen dayes.

13 And ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD, thirteene young bullockes, two rams, *and* fourteene lambes of the first yeere, they shall be without blemish.

14 And their meat offering *shall be* of flowre mingled with oyle, three tenth deales vnto every bullocke of the thirteene bullockes, two tenth deales to each ramme, of the two rammes:

15 And a seuerall tenth deale to each lambe of the fourteene lambes:

16 And one kid of the goats for a sinne offering beside the continuall burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drinke offering.

17 ¶ And on the second day, *ye shall offer* twelue young bullockes, two rammes, fourteene lambes of the first yeere without spot.

18 And their meat offering, and their drinke offerings for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number after the manner:

19 And one kid of the goats for a sinne offering, beside the continuall burnt offering, and the meat offering thereof, and their drinke offerings.

20 ¶ And on the third day eleuen bullockes, two rammes, fourteene lambes of the first yeere without blemish.

21 And their meat offering, and their drinke offerings, for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

22 And one goat for a sinne offering, beside the continuall burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drinke offering.

23 ¶ And on the fourth day ten bullockes, two rammes, *and* fourteene lambes of the first yeere without blemish.

24 Their meat offering, and their drinke offerings, for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

25 And one kid of the goats for a sinne offering, beside the continuall burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drinke offering.

26 ¶ And on the fifth day nine bullockes, two rammes, *and* fourteene lambes of the first yeere without spot:

27 And their meat offering, and their drinke offerings, for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner.

28 And one goat for a sinne offering, beside the continuall burnt offring, and his meat offring, and his drinke offering.

29 ¶ And on the sixt day eight bullockes, two rammes, *and* fourteene lambes of the first yeere without blemish:

30 And their meat offring and their drinke offerings, for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

31 And one goat for a sinne offering, beside the continuall burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drinke offering.

32 ¶ And on the seuenth day seuen bullockes, two rams, *and* fourteene lambes of the first yeere without blemish:

33 And their meat offering, and their drinke offerings, for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

34 And one goat for a sinne offering, beside the continuall burne offering, his meat offering, and his drinke offering.

35 ¶ On the eight day ye shall haue a solemne assembly: yee shall doe no seruill worke therein:

36 But ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire of a sweet sauour vnto the LORD, one bullocke, one ramme, seuen lambes of the first yeere without blemish:

37 Their meat offring, & their drinke offerings for the bullocke, for the ramme, and for the lambes, *shall be* according to their number, after the

3 And one goat for a ſinne offering, beſide the
tionall burnt offering, and his meat offring, and
drinke offering.
9 Theſe things ye ſhall ‖ doe vnto the LORD in
r ſet feaſts, beſides your vowes, and your free-
ll offrings, for your burnt offerings, and for your
e offerings, and for your drinke offerings, and
your peace offerings.
10 And Moſes told the children of Iſrael accor-
g to all that the LORD commanded Moſes.

CHAP. XXX.

*Vowes are not to be broken. 3 The exception
maids vow. 6 Of a wiues, 9 Of a widowes, or
that is diuorced.*

Nd Moſes ſpake vnto the heads of the Tribes,
concerning the children of Iſrael, ſaying, This
e thing which the LORD hath commanded.
2 If a man vow a vow vnto the LORD, or ſweare
oath to bind his ſoule with a bond: he ſhall not
reake his word, he ſhall do according to all that
proceedeth out of his mouth.
3 If a woman alſo vow a vow vnto the LORD,
binde *her ſelfe* by a bond, *being* in her fathers
ſe in her youth;
4 And her father heare her vow, and her bond
rewith ſhe hath bound her ſoule, and her father
hold his peace at her: then all her vowes ſhall
nd euery bond wherewith ſhe hath bound her
ſhall ſtand.
5 But if her father diſallow her in the day that
reareth; not any of her vowes, or of her bonds,
rewith ſhe hath bound her ſoule, ſhall ſtand:
the LORD ſhall forgiue her, becauſe her father
llowed her.
6 And if ſhe had at all an husband when † ſhe
d, or vttered ought out of her lips, wherewith
ound her ſoule,
7 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace
r in the day that he heard *it*: then her vowes
ſtand, and her bonds wherewith ſhe bound her
ſhall ſtand.
8 But if her husband diſallow her on the day that
ard *it*, then he ſhall make her vow which ſhe
d, and that which ſhe vttered with her lips,
rewith ſhe bound her ſoule, of none effect, and
LORD ſhall forgiue her.
9 But euery vow of a widow, and of her that is
rced, wherewith they haue bound their ſoules
ſtand againſt her.
10 And if ſhe vowed in her husbands houſe, or
d her ſoule by a bond with an oath;
11 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace
, and diſallowed her not: then all her vowes
ſtand, and euery bond wherewith ſhe bound
ule ſhall ſtand.
12 But if her husband hath vtterly made them
n the day he heard *them*: then whatſoeuer
ded out of her lips concerning her vowes, or
rning the bond of her ſoule, ſhall not ſtand:
husband hath made them void, and the LORD
rgiue her.
13 Euery vow, and euery binding oath to afflict
ule, her husband may eſtabliſh it, or her hus-
y make it void.
14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace
from day to day, then he eſtabliſheth all her
, or all her bonds which are vpon her: hee
eth them, becauſe he held his peace at her,
day that he heard *them*.
15 But if he ſhall any waies make *them* void, af-
he hath heard *them*, then he ſhall beare her
.
16 Theſe *are* the Statutes which the LORD com-
manded Moſes betweene a man and his wife, be-
tweene the father and his daughter, *being yet* in her
youth, in her fathers houſe.

CHAP. XXXI.

*1 The Midianites are ſpoiled, and Balaam ſlaine,
13 Moſes is wroth with the Officers for ſauing the
women aliue. 19 How the ſoulders with their cap-
tiues and ſpoile, are to be purified. 25 The proporti-
on wherby the prey is to be diuided. 48 The volun-
tary oblation vnto the treaſury of the Lord.*

A Nd the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
2 * Auenge the children of Iſrael of the Midianites: afterward ſhalt thou * bee gathered vnto thy people.
3 And Moſes ſpake vnto the people, ſaying, arme ſome of your ſelues vnto the warre, and let them goe againſt the Midianites, and auenge the LORD of Midian.
4 †Of euery tribe a thouſand, throughout all the the tribes of Iſrael, ſhall ye ſend to the warre.
5 So there were deliuered out of the thouſands of Iſrael, a thouſand of *euery* tribe, twelue thouſand armed for warre.
6 And Moſes ſent them to the war, a thouſand of *euery* tribe, them and Phinehas the ſon of Eleazar the Prieſt, to the war, with the holy inſtruments, and the trumpets to blow in his hand.
7 And they warred againſt the Midianites, as the LORD commanded Moſes, and they ſlew all the males.
8 And they ſlew the Kings of Midian, beſide the reſt of them that were ſlaine: *namely*, * Eui and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, fiue Kings of Midian; Balaam alſo the ſon of Beor, they ſlew with the ſword.
9 And the children of Iſrael tooke all the women of Midian captiues, and their little ones, and tooke the ſpoile of all their cattell, and all their flockes, and all their goods.
10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly caſtles with fire.
11 And they tooke all the ſpoile, and all the prey, both of men and of beaſts.
12 And they brought the captiues, and the prey, and the ſpoile vnto Moſes and Eleazar the Prieſt, and vnto the Congregation of the children of Iſrael, vnto the campe at the plaines of Moab, which *are* by Iordan neere Iericho.
13 ¶ And Moſes and Eleazar the Prieſt, and all the Princes of the Congregation went foorth to meet them without the campe.
14 And Moſes was wroth with the officers of the hoſt, *with* the captains ouer thouſands, and captains ouer hundreds, which came from the † battaile.
15 And Moſes ſaid vnto them, Haue ye ſaued all the women aliue?
16 Behold, * theſe cauſed the children of Iſrael, through § * counſell of Balaam, to commit treſpaſſe againſt the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among § Congregation of the LORD.
17 Now therefore * kill euery male among the little ones, and kill euery woman that hath knowne man by lying with †him.
18 But all the women children that haue not knowne a man by lying with him, keepe aliue for your ſelues.
19 And doe ye abide without the campe ſeuen dayes: whoſoeuer hath killed any perſon, and * whoſoeuer hath touched any ſlaine, purifie both your ſelues and your captiues, on the third day, and on the ſeuenth day.

1 Chap. 25.17.
* Chap. 27.13.
† Heb. a thouſand of a tribe, a thouſand of a tribe.
* Ioſh. 13.21.
† Hebr. boſe of warre.
25.2.
* 2 Pet. 2.15.
* Iudge 21.11.
† Hebr. a malle.
* Chap. 19.11.

20 And purifie all[1] your raiment, and all that is
† Hebr. instrument, or vessell of skins. † made of skin, and all worke of goats *haire*, and all things made of wood.
21 ¶ And Eleazar the Priest said vnto the men of war which went to the battel, This *is* the ordinance of the Law which the LORD commanded Moses.
22 Onely the gold, and the siluer, the brasse, the yron, the time, and the lead,
23 Euery thing that may abide the fire, ye shall make it goe thorow the fire, and it shall be cleane: neuertheless, it shall be purified with the water of separation: and all that abideth not the fire, ye shall make goe thorow the water.
24 And ye shall wash your clothes on the seuenth day, and ye shall be cleane, and afterward ye shall come into the campe.
25 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
† Hebr. of the captiuity. 26 Take the summe of the prey † that was taken both of man and of beast, thou and Eleazar the Priest, and the chiefe fathers of the Congregation:
27 And diuide the prey into two parts, betweene them that tooke the warre vpon them, who went out to battell, and betweene all the Congregation.
28 And leuie a tribute vnto the LORD of the men of warre which went out to battell: one soule of fiue hundred, both of the persons, and of the beeues, and of the asses, and of the sheepe.
29 Take *it* of their halfe, and giue *it* vnto Eleazar the Priest, for an heaue offering of the LORD.
30 And of the children of Israels halfe, thou shalt take one portion of fifty, of the persons, of the
‖ Or, goats beeues, of the asses, and of the ‖ flockes, of all maner of beasts, and giue them vnto the Leuites, which keepe the charge of the Tabernacle of the LORD.
31 And Moses and Eleazar the Priest, did as the LORD commanded Moses.
32 And the booty *being* the rest of the prey which the men of warre had caught, was sixe hundred thousand, and seuenty thousand, & fiue thousand sheepe,
33 And threescore and twelue thousand beeues,
34 And threescore and one thousand asses,
35 And thirty and two thousand persons in all, of women † had not knowne man by lying with him.
36 And the halfe *which was* the portion of them that went out to warre, was in number three hundred thousand, and seuen and thirty thousand, and fiue hundred sheepe.
37 And the LORDS tribute of the sheepe was six hundred and threescore and fifteene.
38 And the beeues *were* thirty and sixe thousand, of which the LORDS tribute *was* threescore and twelue.
39 And the asses *were* thirty thousand, and fiue hundred, of which the LORDS tribute *was* threescore and one.
40 And the persons *were* sixteene thousand, of which the LORDS tribute *was* thirty and two persons.
41 And Moses gaue the tribute *which was* the LORDS heaue offering, vnto Eleazar the Priest, as the LORD commanded Moses.
42 And of the children of Israels halfe, which Moses diuided from the men that warred:
43 (Now the halfe that pertained vnto the Congregation, *was* three hundred thousand, and thirty thousand, *and* seuen thousand and fiue hundred sheepe:
44 And thirty and sixe thousand beeues;
45 And thirty thousand asses, and fiue hundred:
46 And sixteene thousand persons)
47 Euen of the children of Israels halfe, Moses tooke one portion of fifty, both of man and of beast, and gaue them vnto the Leuites which
the charge of the Tabernacle of the LORD, as
LORD commanded Moses.
48 ¶ And the officers which were ouer thou
of the hoste, the captains of thousands, and cap
of hundreds came neere vnto Moses,
49 And they said vnto Moses, thy seruants
taken the sum of the men of warre which was vn
our † charge, and there lacketh not one man o
50 We haue therefore brought an oblation
the LORD; what euery man hath gotten of iew
of gold, chaines, and bracelets, rings, earings,
tablets, to make an atonement for our soules be
the LORD.
51 And Moses and Eleazar the Priest took
gold of them: *euen* all wrought iewels.
52 And all the gold of the † offering that
offred vp to the LORD, of the captains of thou
and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteene th
sand seuen hundred and fifty shekels.
53 (*For* the men of warre had taken spoile e
man for himselfe.)
54 And Moses and Eleazar the Priest took
gold of the captains of thousands, and of hund
and brought it into the Tabernacle of the Con
gation, for a memoriall for the children of Is
before the LORD.

CHAP. XXXII.

*1 The Reubenites and Gadites sue for their inh
tance on that side Iordan. 6 Moses reproueth
16 They offer him conditions to his content. 33 Mo
assigneth them the land. 39 They conquer it.*

NOw the children of Reuben, and the chil
of Gad, had a very great multitude of cat
and when they sawe the land of Iazer, & the la
Gilead, that behold, *the* place was a place for ca
2 The children of Gad and the children of
ben, came and spake vnto Moses, and to Eleaz
Priest, and vnto the Princes of the Congrega
saying,
3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Iazer, and Nim
and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Shebam and Ni
and Beon,
4 *Euen* the countrey which the LORD smot
fore the Congregation of Israel, is a land for c
tell, and thy seruants haue cattell.
5 Wherefore said they, if we haue found gra
thy sight, let this land be giuen vnto thy ser
for a possession, *and* bring vs not ouer Iorda
6 ¶ And Moses said vnto the children of G
and to the children of Reuben, Shall your bre
goe to warre, and shall ye sit here?
7 And wherefore † discourage ye the heart o
children of Israel from going ouer into the la
which the LORD hath giuen them?
8 Thus did your fathers, when I sent them
Kadesh Barnea to see the land.
9 For * when they went vp vnto the valley
Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged
heart of the children of Israel, that they should
go into the land which the LORD had giuen
10 And the LORDS anger was kindled the
time, and he sware, saying,
11 Surely none of the men that came vp out
Egypt, * from twenty yeeres old and vpward,
see the land which I sware vnto Abraham, vn
Isaac, and vnto Iacob, because they haue not
followed me:
12 Saue Caleb the son of Iephunneh the Kenez
and Ioshua the son of Nun: for they haue wh
followed the LORD.
13 And the LORDS anger was kindled a

, and he made them wander in the wildernes
yeeres, Vntill all the generation that had
emill in the sight of the LORD was consumed
And behold yee are risen vp in your fathers
, an increase of sinfull men, to augment yet the
anger of the LORD toward Israel.
For if ye turne away from after him, he will
giue leaue them in the wildernesse, and yee
destroy all this people.
¶ And they came neere vnto him, and said,
will build sheepfolds here for our cattell,
cities for our little ones.
But wee our selues will goe ready armed be-
the children of Israel, vntill we haue brought
vnto their place: and our little ones shall
ll in the fenced cities; because of the inhabi-
s of the land.
Wee will not returne vnto our houses, vntill
hildren of Israel haue inherited euery man his
ritance:
For we will not inherit with them on yonder
Iordan, or forward, because our inheritance is
n to vs on this side Iordan, Eastward.
¶ And * Moses said vnto them, If yee will do
thing, if yee will goe armed before the LORD
arre,
And will goe all of you armed ouer Iordan
e the LORD, vntill he hath driuen out his e-
ies from before him,
And the land be subdued before the LORD:
afterward ye shall returne, and be guiltlesse
re the LORD, and before Israel: and this land
be your possession before the LORD.
But if yee will not doe so, behold, ye haue sin-
against the LORD: and be sure your sinne will
you out;
Build ye cities for your little ones, and folds
our sheepe, and doe that which hath proceed-
out of your mouth.
And the children of Gad, and the children of
ben spake vnto Moses, saying, Thy seruants will
as my lord commandeth:
Our little ones, our wiues our flockes, and all
cattell shall be there in the cities of Gilead.
But * thy seruants will passe ouer, euery man
ed for warre, before the LORD, to battell; as
lord saith.
So concerning them, Moses commanded Elea-
the Priest, and Iosh ua the son of Nun, and the
e fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel
And Moses said vnto them, If the children of
, and the children of Reuben will passe with
ouer Iordan, euery man armed to battell, before
LORD, and the land shall bee subdued before
then ye shall giue them the land of Gilead for
session:
But if they will not passe ouer with you ar-
, they shall haue possessions among you in the
d of Canaan.
And the children of Gad, and the children of
ben answered, saying, As the LORD hath said
o thy seruants, so will we doe.
We will passe ouer armed before the LORD,
the land of Canaan, that the possession of our
ritance on this side Iordan may be ours.
And * Moses gaue vnto them, euen to the chil-
of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and to
the tribe of Manasseh, the sonne of Ioseph, the
dome of Sihon King of the Amorites, and the
dome of Og King of Bashan, the land with the
s thereof, in the coasts, euen the cities of the
tery round about.

34 ¶ And the children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer,
35 And Atroth, Shophan, and Iazzer, and Iogbehah.
36 And Bethnimrah, and Beth haran, fenced cities: and folds for sheepe.
37 And the children of Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kiriathaim,
38 And Nebo, and Baal-meon (their names being changed) and Shibmah: and †gaue other names vnto the cities which they builded.
39 And the children of * Machir the sonne of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and dispossessed the Amorite which was in it.
40 And Moses gaue Gilead vnto Machir, the son of Manasseh, and he dwelt therein.
41 And * Iair the sonne of Manasseh went and tooke the small townes thereof, and called them Hauoth-Iair.
42 And Nobah went and tooke Kenath, and the villages thereof, and called it Nobah, after his owne name.

† *Heb. they called by names the names of the cities*
* Gene. 50.23.
* Deut. 3.14.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 Two and forty iourneys of the Israelites, 50 The Canaanites are to be destroyed.

THese *are* the iourneyes of the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt; with their armies vnder ℣ hand of Moses & Aaron.
2 And Moses wrote their goings out, according to their iourneyes, by the commandement of the LORD: and these *are* their iourneyes according to their goings out.
3 And they * departed from Rameses in the first moneth, on the fifteenth day of the first moneth: on the morrow after the Passeouer, the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.
4 (For the Egyptians buried all their first borne, which the LORD had smitten among them: vpon their gods also the LORD executed iudgements.)
5 And the children of Israel remoued from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth.
6 And they departed from * Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which *is* in the edge of the wildernesse.
7 And they remoued from Etham and turned againe to Pihahiroth, which *is* before Baal-zephon: and they pitched before Migdol.
8 And they departed from before Pihahiroth and * passed thorow the midst of the Sea, into the wildernesse, and went three dayes iourney in the wildernesse of Etham, and pitched in Marah.
9 And they remoued from Marah, and * came vnto Elim, and in Elim were twelue fountaines of water, and threescore and ten palme trees, and they pitched there.
10 And they remoued from Elim, and encamped by the red Sea.
11 And they remoued from the red Sea, and encamped in the * wildernesse of Sin.
12 And they tooke their iourney out of the wildernesse of Sin, and encamped in Dophkah.
13 And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush.
14 And they remoued from Alush, and encamped at * Rephidim, where was no water for the people to drinke.
15 And they departed from Rephidim, and pitched in the * wildernesse at Sinai.
16 And they remoued from the desart of Sinai, and pitched * at ‖ Kibroth-Hattaauah.
17 And they departed from Kibroth-Hattaauah, and * encamped at Hazeroth.

* Exod. 12.37.
* Exod. 13.20.
* Exod. 13.23.
* Exod. 15.27.
* Exod. 16.1.
* Exod. 17.1.
* Exod. 19.1.
* Chap. 11.34.
These 16 iourneyes of Israel.
* Chap. 11.35.

18 And they departed from Haseroth, and pitched in Rithmah.
19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmon Perez.
20 And they departed from Rimmon Perez, and pitched in Libnah.
21 And they remooued from Libnah, and pitched at Rissah.
22 And they iourneyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.
23 And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.
24 And they remooued from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.
25 And they remooued from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.
26 And they remooued from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.
27 And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.
28 And they remooued from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.
29 And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.
30 And they departed from Hashmonah, and * encamped at Moseroth.
31 And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-Iaakan.
32 And they remooued from Bene-Iaakan, and encamped at Horhagidgad.
33 And they went from Horhagidgad, and pitched in Iotbathah.
34 And they remooued from Iotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.
35 And they departed from Ebronah, and encamped at Ezion gaber.
36 And they remooued from Ezion gaber, and pitched in the * wildernes of Zin, which is Kadesh.
37 And they remooued from * Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom.
38 And * Aaron the Priest went vp into mount Hor, at the commandement of the LORD, and died there in the fortieth yeere after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first day of the fifth moneth.
39 And Aaron was an hundred and twenty and three yeeres old, when he died in mount Hor.
40 And * King Arad the Canaanite (which dwelt in the South, in the land of Canaan) heard of the comming of the children of Israel.
41 And they departed from mount * Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.
42 And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.
43 And they departed from Punon, and pitched in Oboth.
44 And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in ‖ Iie-Abarim, in the border of Moab.
45 And they departed from Iim, and pitched in Dibon Gad.
46 And they remooued from Dibon-Gad, and encamped in Almon-Diblathaim.
47 And they remoued from Almon-Diblathaim, and pitched in the mountaines of Abarim, before Nebo.
48 And they departed from the mountaines of Abarim, and pitched in the plaines of Moab, by Iordan, neere Iericho.
49 And they pitched by Iordan from Beth Iesimoth, euen vnto ‖ * Abel Shittim, in the plaines of Moab.
50 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto Moses in the plaines of Moab by Iordan, neere Iericho, saying,
51 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say to them, * When ye are passed ouer Iordan into the land of Canaan;
52 Then ye shall driue out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite plucke downe all their high places.
53 And ye shall dispossesse the inhabitants of the land, and dwell therein: for I haue giuen you the land to possesse it.
54 And * ye shall diuide the land by lot for an heritance among your families, and to the more ye shall † giue the more inheritance, & to the fewer ye shall † giue the lesse inheritance: euery mans inheritance shalbe in the place where his lot falleth: according to ‖ tribes of your fathers, ye shall inherit.
55 But if ye will not driue out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then it shall come to passe, that those which yee let remaine of them, shall be * prickes in your eyes, and thornes in your sides, and shall vexe you in the land wherein ye dwell.
56 Moreouer, it shall come to passe that I shall do vnto you, as I thought to doe vnto them.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

1 *The borders of the land.* 16 *The names of the men which shall diuide the land.*

AND the LORD spake vnto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When ye come into the land of Canaan, (that is the land that shall fall vnto you for inheritance, euen the land of Canaan, with the coasts thereof.)
3 Then * your South quarter shall be from the wildernesse of Zin along by the coast of Edom, and your South border shall be the outmost coast of the salt Sea Eastward.
4 And your border shall turne from the South to the ascent of Akrabbim, and passe on to Zin, and the going forth thereof shalbe from the South to Kadesh Barnea, and shall goe on to Hazar-addar, and passe on to Azmon.
5 And the border shall fetch a compasse from Azmon vnto the riuer of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the Sea.
6 And as for the Westerne border: you shall euen haue the great Sea for a border: this shall be your West border.
7 And this shalbe your North border: from the great Sea, you shall point out for you mount Hor.
8 From mount Hor, yee shall point out your border vnto the entrance of Hamath, and the goings forth of the border shall be to Zedad.
9 ¶ And the border shall goe on to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shalbe at Hazar Enan: this shall be your North border.
10 And ye shall point out your East border from Hazar-Enan, to Shepham.
11 And the coast shal come downe from Shepham to Riblah, on the East side of Ain: and the border shall descend, and shall reach vnto the † side of the Sea of Chinnereth Eastward.
12 And the border shall go downe to Iordan, and the goings out of it shalbe at the salt Sea: this shall be your land, with the coasts thereof round about.
13 And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, This is the land which yee shall inherit by lot, which the LORD commanded to giue vnto the nine tribes, and to the halfe tribe.
14 * For the tribe of the children of Reuben according to the house of their fathers, & the tribe of the children of Gad, according to the house of their

* Deut. 30,6.
* Chap. 20.1.
* Chap. 20.22.
* Chap. 20.25. deut.32. 50.
* Chap. 21.1, &c.
* Chap. 21.4.
‖ *Or, heaps of Abarim.*
‖ *Or, the plaines of Shittim.*
* Chap. 35.1.

have receiued *their inheritance*, & halfe the
of Manaſſeh haue receiued their inheritance.
The two tribes and the halfe tribe haue receiued
eir inheritance on this ſide Iordan, neere Ie-
Eaſtward toward the Sun riſing.
And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes ſaying,
These *are* the names of the men which ſhall
e the land vnto you: * Eleazar the Prieſt, and
the ſonne of Nun.
And ye ſhall take one Prince of euery tribe,
ide the land by inheritance.
And the names of the men *are* theſe: Of the
of Iudah, Caleb the ſonne of Iephunneh.
And of the tribe of the children of Simeon,
uel the ſonne of Ammihud.
Of the tribe of Beniamin, Elidad the ſon of
on.
And the Prince of the tribe of the children of
Bukki the ſonne of Iogli.
The Prince of the children of Ioſeph: for the
of the children of Manaſſeh, Hanniel the ſon
hod.
And the Prince of the tribe of the children of
im, Kemuel the ſon of Shiphtan.
And the Prince of the tribe of the children of
bulun, Elzaphan the ſonne of Parnach.
And the Prince of the tribe of the children of
achar, Paltiel the ſonne of Azzan.
And the Prince of the tribe of the children of
er, Ahihud the ſonne of Shelomi.
And the Prince of the tribe of the children of
ali, Pedahel the ſonne of Ammihud.
These *are they* whom the LORD commanded
ide the inheritance vnto the children of Iſ-
the land of Canaan.

CHAP. XXXV.

*Cities and ſuburbes for the Leuites, with their
ſe, and meaſure thereof. 6 Sixe of them are
ties of refuge. 9 The Lawes of murder. 31
ſatisfaction for murder.*

And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes in the plaines
of Moab, by Iordan, neere Iericho, ſaying,
Command the children of Iſrael that they
vnto the Leuites, of ‖ inheritance of their poſ-
, cities to dwell in: and ye ſhall giue alſo vnto
uites ſuburbs for ‖ cities round about them.
And the cities ſhall they haue to dwell in, and
urbs of them ſhall be for their cattell, and
ir goods, and for all their beaſts.
And the ſuburbs of the cities, which ye ſhal giue
the Leuites, *ſhall reach* from the wall of the
d outward, a thouſand cubites round about.
And ye ſhall meaſure from without the city on
ſide two thouſand cubites, and on the South
o thouſand cubits, and on the Weſt ſide two
and cubites, and on the North ſide two thou-
ubits, and the city *ſhall be* in the midſt: this
be to them the ſuburbs of the cities.
And among the cities which ye ſhall giue vn-
Leuites, there ſhalbe * ſixe cities for refuge,
ye ſhall appoint for the man-ſlayer, that he
ee thither: And to them ye ſhall † adde forty
two cities.
So all the cities which ye ſhall giue to the Le-
ſhall be forty and eight cities, them *ſhall ye*
ith their ſuburbs.
And the cities which ye ſhall giue *ſhall be* of
poſſeſſion of the children of Iſrael: from them
ome many, ye ſhall giue many; but from them
ome few, ye ſhall giue few: Euery one ſhall
his cities vnto the Leuites, according to his
ritance which † he inherited.

9 ¶ And the LORD ſpake vnto Moſes, ſaying,
10 Speake vnto the children of Iſrael, and ſay vnto them, * When ye be come ouer Iordan into the land of Canaan: * Deut. 19.2.
11 Then ye ſhall appoint you cities, to be cities of refuge for you, that the ſlayer may flee thither which killeth any perſon † at vnawares. Ioſh.20.2
12 And they ſhall be vnto you cities for refuge from the auenger, that the man-ſlayer die not vntill he ſtand before the Congregation in iudgement. † Hebr. by error.
13 And of theſe cities which ye ſhall giue, ſixe cities ſhall ye haue for refuge.
14 Ye ſhall giue three cities on this ſide Iordan, and three cities ſhal ye giue in the land of Canaan, which ſhall be cities of refuge.
15 Theſe ſixe cities ſhall be a refuge both for the children of Iſrael, and for the ſtranger, and for the ſoiourner among them: that euery one that killeth any perſon vnawares may flee thither.
16 * And if hee ſmite him with an inſtrument of yron, (ſo that he die,) hee is a murderer, the murderer ſhall ſurely be put to death. * Exod. 21.14.
17 And if he ſmite him † with throwing a ſtone, (wherewith he may die) and he die, he is a murderer: the murderer ſhall ſurely be put to death. † Hebr. *with a ſtone of*
18 Or if hee ſmite him with an hand-weapon of wood, (wherewith he may die) and he die, he is a murderer: the murderer ſhal ſurely be put to death. *the hand.*
19 The reuenger of blood himſelfe ſhall ſlay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he ſhall ſlay him.
20 * But if he thruſt him of hatred, or hurle at him by laying of wait, that he die, * Deut. 19.11,
21 Or in enmity ſmite him with his hand, that he die: he that ſmote him ſhall ſurely be put to death, for he is a murderer: the reuenger of blood ſhall ſlay the murderer when he meeteth him.
22 But if hee thruſt him ſuddenly * without enmity, or haue caſt vpon him any thing without laying of wait, * Exod. 21.13.
23 Or with any ſtone wherewith a man may die, ſeeing him not, and caſt it vpon him, that hee die, and was not his enemy, neither ſought his harme:
24 Then the Congregation ſhall iudge betweene the ſlayer and the reuenger of blood, according to theſe iudgements.
25 And the Congregation ſhal deliuer the ſlayer out of the hand of the reuenger of blood, and the Congregation ſhall reſtore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and hee ſhall abide in it vnto the death of the high Prieſt, which was anointed with the holy oyle.
26 But if the ſlayer ſhall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge, whither he was fled:
27 And the reuenger of blood finde him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the reuenger of blood kill the ſlayer, he † ſhall not be guilty of blood: † Hebr. *no blood*
28 Becauſe he ſhould haue remained in the city ſhall be of his refuge, vntill the death of the high Prieſt: *to him.* but after the death of the high Prieſt, the ſlayer ſhall returne into the land of his poſſeſſion.
29 So theſe things ſhall be for a ſtatute of iudgement vnto you, throwout your generations in all your dwellings. * Deu. 17. 6. & 19.15
30 Whoſo killeth any perſon, the murderer ſhall bee put to death by * the mouth of witneſſes: but one witneſſe ſhall not teſtifie againſt any perſon, *to* cauſe *him* to die. mat.18. 16.2.cor. 13.1.heb. 10.28.
31 Moreouer, ye ſhall take no ſatisfaction for the life of a murderer, which is † guilty of death, but he ſhall be ſurely put to death. † Hebr. *ſaulty to die*

32 And

32 And ye ſhall take no ſatisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he ſhould come againe to dwell in the land, vntill the death of the Prieſt.

33 So ye ſhall not pollute the land wherein yee are: for blood, it defileth the land: and the † land cannot be cleanſed of the blood that is ſhed therein, but by the blood of him that ſhed it.

† Hebr. there can be noe expiation for the land.

34 Defile not therefore the land which yee ſhall inhabite, wherein I dwell: for I the LORD dwell among the children of Iſrael.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 *The inconuenience of the inheritance of daughters, 5 is remedied by marrying in their owne tribes, 7 Leſt the inheritance ſhould be remooued from the tribe.* 10 *The daughters of Zelophehad marry to their fathers brothers ſonnes.*

AND the chiefe Fathers of the families of the children of Gilead, the ſon of Machir, the ſon of Manaſſeh, of the families of the ſonnes of Ioſeph came neere, and ſpake before Moſes, and before the Princes, the chiefe fathers of the children of Iſrael

* Chap. 27.1. Ioſh 17. 3.

2 And they ſaid, * The LORD commanded my lord to giue the land for an inheritance by lot to the children of Iſrael: and my lord was commanded by the LORD, to giue the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother, vnto his daughters.

3 And if they be married to any of † ſons of the other tribes of the children of Iſrael, then ſhal their inheritance be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and ſhall be put to the inheritance of the tribe, † whereinto they are received: ſo ſhall it be taken from the lot of our inheritance.

† Hebr. vnto whom they ſhall be.

4 And when the Iubile of the children of Iſrael ſhall be, then ſhall their inheritance be put vnto the inheritance of the tribe, whereinto they are receiued: So ſhall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.

5 And Moſes commanded the children of Iſrael according to the word of the LORD, ſaying, The tribe of the ſons of Ioſeph hath ſaid well.

6 This *is* the thing which the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, ſaying, Let them † marry to whom they think beſt: * onely to the family of the tribe of their father ſhall they marry.

7 So ſhall not the inheritance of the children of Iſrael remoone from tribe to tribe: for euery man of the children of Iſrael ſhall † keepe himſelfe to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

8 And euery daughter that poſſeſſeth an inheritance, in any tribe of the children of Iſrael ſhall be wife vnto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Iſrael, may enioy euery man the inheritance of his fathers.

9 Neither ſhall the inheritance remoone from one tribe to another tribe: but euery one of the tribes of the children of Iſrael, ſhall keepe himſelfe to his owne inheritance.

10 Euen as the LORD commanded Moſes, ſo did the daughters of Zelophehad.

11 * For Mahlah, Tirzah, & Hoglah, and Milcah and Noah the daughters of Zelophehad, were married vnto their fathers brothers ſonnes.

12 And they were married † into the families of the ſonnes of Manaſſeh the ſon of Ioſeph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.

13 These *are* the Commandements and the iudgements which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moſes, vnto the children of Iſrael in the plaines of Moab, by Iordan neere Iericho.

¶ THE FIFT BOOKE OF MOSES, called Deuteronomie.

CHAP. I.

1 *Moſes ſpeech in the end of the fourtieth yeere, briefly rehearſing the ſtory,* 6 *Of Gods promiſe.* 9 *Of giuing them officers,* 19 *Of ſending the ſpies to ſearch the land.* 34 *Of Gods anger for their incredulity,* 41 *and diſobedience.*

THESE *bee* the words which Moſes ſpake vnto all Iſrael, on this ſide Iordan in the wildernes, in the plaine ouer againſt ‖ the red *Sea*, betweene Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazaroth, and Dizahab.

‖ Or, Zuph.

2 (*There are* eleuen dayes iourney from Horeb, by the way of mount Seir, vnto Kadeſh-Barnea.)

3 And it came to paſſe in the fourtieth yeere, in the eleuenth moneth, on the firſt *day* of the moneth, that Moſes ſpake vnto the children of Iſrael, according vnto all that the LORD had giuen him in commandement vnto them:

* Num. 21, 24.

4 * After he had ſlaine Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heſhbon, and Og the king of Baſhan, which dwelt at Aſtaroth in Edrei.

5 On this ſide Iordan, in the land of Moab, began Moſes to declare this law, ſaying,

6 The LORD our God ſpake vnto vs in Horeb, ſaying, Ye haue dwelt long enough in this mount:

7 Turne you, and take your iourney, and goe to the mount of the Amorites, and vnto all *the places* nigh thereunto, in the plaine, in the hils, and in the vale, and in the South, and by the Sea ſide, to the land of the Canaanites, and vnto Lebanon, vnto the great riuer, the riuer Euphrates.

† Hebr. all his neighbors

8 Behold, I haue † ſet the land before you: goe in and poſſeſſe the land which the LORD ſware vnto your fathers, * Abraham, Iſaac, and Iacob, to giue vnto them, and to their ſeed after them.

9 ¶ And I ſpake vnto you at that time, ſaying, I am not able to beare you my ſelfe alone:

10 The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and behold, you are this day as the ſtars of heauen for multitude.

11 (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thouſand times ſo many moe as yee *are*, and bleſſe you, as he hath promiſed you.)

12 How can I my ſelfe alone beare your cumbrance, and your burden, and your ſtrife?

13 † Take ye wiſe men, and vnderſtanding, and knowne among your tribes, and I will make them rulers ouer you. Deut. 1. 15.

14 And ye anſwered me, and ſaid, The thing which thou haſt ſpoken is good for vs to do.

15 So I tooke the chiefe of your tribes, wiſe men, and knowne, and † made them heads ouer you, captaines ouer thouſands, and captaines ouer hundreds, and captaines ouer fifties, and captaines ouer tens, and officers among your tribes.

16 And I charged your Iudges at that time, ſaying, Heare *the cauſes* betweene your brethren, and * iudge righteouſly betweene euery man and his brother, and the ſtranger that *is* with him.

17 Ye

Ye shall not † respect persons in iudgement, but shall heare the small as well as the great: shall not be afraid of the face of man, for the iudgement is Gods: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring it vnto me, and I will heare it.

18 And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should doe.

19 ¶ And when wee departed from Horeb, wee went thorow all that great and terrible wilderneſſe which you ſaw by the way of the mountaine of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded vs: and we came to Kadeſh Barnea.

20 And I ſaid vnto you, Ye are come vnto the mountaine of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth giue vnto vs.

21 Behold, the LORD thy God hath ſet the land before thee: goe vp *and* poſſeſſe *it*, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath ſaid vnto thee: feare not, neither be diſcouraged.

22 ¶ And yee came neere vnto mee euery one of you, and ſaid, We will ſend men before vs, and they ſhall ſearch vs out the land, and bring vs word againe, by what way we muſt goe vp, and into what cities we ſhall come.

23 And the ſaying pleaſed me well: and * I tooke twelue men of you: one of a tribe.

24 And *they* turned, and went vp into the mountaine, and came vnto the valley of Eſhcol, and ſpied it out.

25 And they tooke of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought it downe vnto vs, and brought vs word againe, and ſaid, It is a good land which the LORD our God doth giue vs.

26 Notwithſtanding, ye would not goe vp: but rebelled againſt the commandement of the LORD your God.

27 And ye murmured in your tents, and ſaid, Because the LORD hated vs, he hath brought vs forth, out of the land of Egypt, to deliuer vs into the hand of the Amorites to deſtroy vs?

28 Whither ſhall we goe vp? our brethren haue diſcouraged our heart, ſaying, The people is greater and taller then we, The cities are great, and walled vp to heauen, and moreouer we haue ſeene the ſonnes of the * Anakims there.

29 Then I ſaid vnto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.

30 The LORD your God which goeth before you, he ſhall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eies:

31 And in the wilderneſſe, where thou haſt ſeene that the LORD thy God bare thee, as a man doth beare his ſonne, in all the way that ye went, vntil ye came into this place.

32 Yet in this thing ye did not beleeue the LORD your God,

33 Who went in the way before you, to ſearch you out a place to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to ſhew you by what way ye ſhould goe, and in a cloud by day.

34 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and ſware, ſaying,

35 Surely there ſhall not one of theſe men, of this euill generation, ſee that good land which I ſware to giue vnto your fathers:

36 Saue Caleb the ſon of Iephunneh, he ſhall ſee it, and to him will I giue the land that hee hath trodden vpon, and to his children, becauſe he hath wholly followed the LORD.

37 Alſo the LORD was angry with me for your ſakes, ſaying, Thou alſo ſhalt not goe in thither.

38 Ioſhua the ſon of Nun, which ſtandeth before thee, he ſhall go in thither. Encourage him: for he ſhall cauſe Iſrael to inherite it.

39 Moreouer, your little ones, which yee ſaid ſhould be a prey, and your children which in that day had no knowledge between good and euil, they ſhall goe in thither, and vnto them will I giue it, and they ſhall poſſeſſe it.

40 But as for you, turne ye, and take your iourney into the wilderneſſe, by the way of the red Sea.

41 Then ye anſwered and ſaid vnto me, * Wee, * Numb. haue ſinned againſt the LORD: we will goe vp and 14.4. fight, according to all that the LORD our God commanded vs. And when ye had girded on euery man his weapons of war, ye were ready to goe vp into the hill.

42 And the LORD ſaid vnto me, Say vnto them, Goe not vp, neither fight, for I am not among you, leſt ye be ſmitten before your enemies:

43 So I ſpake vnto you, and you would not heare, but rebelled againſt the commandement of the LORD, and † went preſumptiouſly vp into the hill.

44 And the Amorites which dwelt in that mountaine came out againſt you, and chaſed you, as Bees doe, and deſtroyed you in Seir, euen vnto Hormah.

45 And ye returned and wept before the LORD, but the LORD would not hearken to your voice, nor giue eare vnto you.

46 So ye abode in Kadeſh many dayes, according vnto the dayes that ye abode *there*.

† Heb. you were preſumptuous and went vp.

CHAP. II.

1 The ſtory is continued, that they were not to meddle with the Edomites, 9 nor with the Moabites, 17 nor with the Ammonites: 24 But Sihon the Amorite was ſubdued by them.

THen we turned, and tooke our iourney into the wilderneſſe, by the way of the red Sea, as the LORD ſpake vnto me: and we compaſſed mount Seir many dayes.

2 And the LORD ſpake vnto me, ſaying,

3 Yee haue compaſſed this mountaine long enough; turne you Northward.

4 And command thou the people, ſaying, ye are to paſſe thorow the coaſt of your brethren the children of Eſau, which dwell in Seir, and they ſhalbe afraid of you: take ye good heed vnto your ſelues therefore.

5 Meddle not with them, for I will not giue you of their land, † no not ſo much as a ſoot breadth, * becauſe I haue giuen mount Seir vnto Eſau for a poſſeſſion.

6 Yee ſhall buy meat of them for money, that ye may eat, and ye ſhall alſo buy water of them for money, that ye may drinke.

7 For the LORD thy God hath bleſſed thee in all the works of thine hand: he knoweth thy walking thorow this great wilderneſſe: theſe forty yeeres the LORD thy God hath beene with thee, thou haſt lacked nothing.

8 And when we paſſed by from our brethren the children of Eſau, which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plaine from Elath, and from Ezion Gaber, we turned and paſſed by the way of the wilderneſſe of Moab.

9 And the LORD ſaid vnto me, ‖ Diſtreſſe not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battell: for I will not giue thee of their land for a poſſeſſion, becauſe I haue giuen Ar vnto the children of Lot for a poſſeſſion.

10 The Emims dwelt therin in times paſt, a people great and many, and tall, as the Anakims:

11 Which alſo were accounted gyants, as the Anakims

† Heb. tread the ſole of the foot. * Gen. 36.8.

‖ Or, vſe no hoſtility againſt Moab.

Anakims, but the Moabites call them Emims.

* Gen. 36.20. † Hebr. inherited them. ‖ Or, roome. * Num. 21.13. ‖ Or, valley.

12 * The Horims alſo dwelt in Seir before time, but the children of Eſau † ſucceeded them, when they had deſtroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their ‖ ſtead, as Iſrael did vnto the land of his poſſeſſion, which the LORD gaue vnto them.

13 Now riſe vp, ſaid I, and get you ouer * the ‖ brooke Zered: and wee went ouer the brooke Zered.

14 And the ſpace in which we came from Kadeſh-Barnea, vntill we were come ouer the brooke Zered, was thirty and eight yeeres, vntill all the generation of the men of warre were waſted out from among the hoſte, as the LORD ſware vnto them.

15 For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to deſtroy them from among the hoſte, vntill they were conſumed.

16 ¶ So it came to paſſe when all the men of warre were conſumed and dead from among the people,

17 That the LORD ſpake vnto me, ſaying,

18 Thou art to paſſe ouer thorow Ar, the coaſt of Moab, this day.

19 And when thou commeſt nigh ouer against the children of Ammon, diſtreſſe them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not giue thee of the land of the children of Ammon any poſſeſſion, becauſe I haue giuen it vnto the children of Lot for a poſſeſſion.

20 (That alſo was accounted a land of gyants: gyants dwelt therein in old time, and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims;

21 A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims: but the LORD deſtroyed them before them and they ſucceeded them, and dwelt in their ſtead:)

22 As hee did to the children of Eſau which dwelt in Seir, when he deſtroyed the Horims from before them, and they ſucceeded them, and dwelt in their ſtead euen vnto this day.

23 And the Auims which dwelt in Hazerim, euen vnto Azzah, the Caphtorims which came forth out of Caphtor, deſtroyed them, and dwelt in their ſtead.

24 ¶ Riſe yee vp, take your iourney and paſſe ouer the riuer Arnon: behold, I haue giuen into thy hand Sihon the Amorite king of Heſhbon, and his land: † begin to poſſeſſe it, and contend with him in battell.

† Hebr. begin, poſſeſſe.

25 This day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the feare of thee, vpon the nations *that are* vnder the whole heauen, who ſhall heare report of thee, and ſhall tremble, and be in anguiſh becauſe of thee.

26 ¶ And I ſent meſſengers out of the wilderneſſe of Kedemoth, vnto Sihon King of Heſhbon, with words of peace, ſaying,

* Num. 21.21,22.

27 * Let me paſſe thorow thy land, I will goe along by the high way, I will neither turne vnto the right hand, nor to the left.

28 Thou ſhalt ſell me meat for money, that I may eat and giue me water for money, that I may drinke: onely I will paſſe thorow on my feete

29 As the children of Eſau which dwell in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did vnto me, vntill I ſhall paſſe ouer Iordan, into the land which the LORD our God giueth vs.

30 But Sihon King of Heſhbon would not let vs paſſe by him: for the LORD thy God hardened his ſpirit, and made his heart obſtinate, that he might deliuer him into thy hand, as *appeareth* this day.

31 And the LORD ſaid vnto me, Behold I haue begun to giue Sihon and his land before thee: begin to poſſeſſe, that thou mayeſt inherite his land.

32 * Then Sihon came out againſt vs, he and all his people to fight at Iahaz.

33 And the LORD our God deliuered him before vs, and we ſmote him, and his ſonnes, and all his people.

34 And we tooke all his cities at that time, and vtterly deſtroyed the † men, and the women, and the little ones of euery city, wee left none to remaine.

35 Onely the cattell we tooke for a prey vnto our ſelues, and the ſpoile of the cities which we tooke.

36 From Aroer, which *is* by the brinke of the riuer of Arnon, and from the city that *is* by the riuer, euen vnto Gilead, there was not one city too ſtrong for vs: the LORD our God deliuered all vnto vs.

37 Only vnto the land of the children of Ammon thou cameſt not, nor vnto any place of the riuer Iabbok, nor vnto the cities in the mountaines, nor vnto whatſoeuer the LORD our God forbad vs.

CHAP. III

1 The ſtory of the conqueſt of Og King of Bashan. 11 The bigneſſe of his bed. 12 The diſtribution of thoſe lands to the two tribes and halfe. 23 Moſes prayer to enter into the land. 26 He is perſwaded to ſerue.

THen we turned, and went vp the way to Bashan: and * Og the King of Bashan came out againſt vs, he and all his people to battell at Edrei.

2 And the LORD ſaid vnto me, Feare him not: for I will deliuer him and all his people, and his land into thy hand, and thou ſhalt doe vnto him as thou didſt vnto * Sihon King of the Amorites which dwelt at Heſhbon.

3 So the LORD our God deliuered into our hand * Og alſo the King of Bashan, and all his people: and wee ſmote him vntill none was left to him remaining.

4 And we tooke all his cities at that time, for there was not a city which we tooke not from them, threeſcore cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdome of Og in Bashan.

5 All theſe cities were fenced with high walls, gates and barres, beſide vnwalled townes a great many.

6 And we vtterly deſtroyed them, as we did vnto Sihon King of Heſhbon, vtterly deſtroying the men, women, and children of euery city.

7 But all the cattell, and the ſpoile of the cities we tooke for a prey to our ſelues.

8 And we tooke at that time out of the hand of the two Kings of the Amorites, the land that *is* on this ſide Iordan, from the riuer of Arnon vnto mount Hermon:

9 (*Which* Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion: and the Amorites call it Shenir.)

10 All the cities of the plaine, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, vnto Salchah, and Edrei, cities of the kingdome of Og in Bashan.

11 For onely Og King of Bashan remained of the remnant of gyants; behold, his bedſted was a bedſted of iron: is it not in Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits was the length thereof, and foure cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.

12 And this land *which* we poſſeſſed at that time, from Aroer, which *is* by the riuer Arnon, and halfe mount Gilead, and * the cities thereof gaue I vnto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites.

13 And the reſt of Gilead, and all Bashan, being the kingdome of Og, gaue I vnto the halfe tribe of Manaſſeh: All the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of gyants.

14 Iaïr

...ir the sonne of Manasseh tooke all the coun-
...Argob, vnto the coasts of Geshuri, and Maa-
...t and called them after his owne name, Ba-
...Havoth Iair vnto this day.
...nd I gaue Gilead vnto Machir.
...nd vnto the Reubenites, and vnto the Ga-
...I gaue from Gilead euen vnto the riuer Ar-
...lse the valley, and the border, euen vnto the
...bbok, which is the border of the children of
...n:
...he plaine also, and Iordan, and the coast
...f from Chinnereth, euen vnto the sea of the
..., euen the Salt sea, vnder ‖ Ashdoth Pisgah,
...ard.
...† And I commanded you at that time saying,
...RD your God hath giuen you this land to
...ssesse it: *ye shall passe ouer armed before your
...ren the children of Israel, all *that are* † meet
...e warre:
...but your wiues, and your little ones, and your
... (for I know that ye haue much cattell) shall
...in your cities, which I haue giuen you:
...Vntill the LORD haue giuen rest vnto your
...ren as well as vnto you, and vntill they also
...se the land which the LORD your God hath
...them beyond Iordan: and then shall ye *re-
...ery man vnto his possession which I haue
...you.
...† And *I commanded Ioshua at that time,
...Thine eyes haue seene all that the LORD
...God hath done vnto these two kings: so shall
...RD doe vnto all the kingdomes whither
...passest.
...Ye shall not feare them: for the LORD your
...e shall fight for you.
...And I besought the LORD at that time,
...
...O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy ser-
...thy greatnesse, and thy mighty hand: for what
...e there in heauen, or in earth, that can doe ac-
...ng to thy workes, and according to thy might?
...I pray thee, let me goe ouer and see the good
...that is beyond Iordan, that goodly mountaine
...Lebanon.
...But the LORD *was wroth with me for your
...and would not heare me: and the LORD said
...me, Let it suffice thee, speake no more vnto me
...this matter.
...Get thee vp into the top of ‖ Pisgah, and lift
...thine eyes Westward, and Northward, and
...ard, and Eastward, and behold *it* with thine
...for thou shalt not goe ouer this Iordan.
...But charge Ioshua, and encourage him, and
...hen him: for hee shall goe ouer before this
...e, and he shall cause them to inherit the land
...thou shalt see.
...So we abode in the valley ouer against Beth-

CHAP. IIII.

*An exhortation to obedience. 41 Moses appoi-
nteth three cities of refuge on this side Iordan.*

...Now therefore hearken, O Israel, vnto the sta-
...tutes, and vnto the Iudgements which I teach
...you to doe, *that* ye may liue, and goe in
...and possesse the land, which the LORD God of your
...fathers giueth you.
...† Ye shall not adde vnto the word which I
...command you, neither shall you diminish *ought*
...from it, that ye may keepe the Commandements of
...the LORD your God, which I command you.
...† Your eyes haue seene what the LORD did, be-
...cause of *Baal Peor: for all the men that followed
Baal Peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them
from among you.
4 But ye that did cleaue vnto the LORD your
God, are aliue euery one of you this day.
5 Behold, I haue taught you Statutes and Iudge-
ments, euen as the LORD my God commanded me,
that ye should doe so, in the land whither yee goe
to possesse it.
6 Keepe therefore and doe *them*: for this *is* your
wisedome and your vnderstanding in the sight of
the nations, which shall heare all these Statutes,
and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and vn-
derstanding people.
7 For what nation *is there so* great, who hath
God so nigh vnto them, as the LORD our God *is* in
all things, that we call vpon him for?
8 And what nation *is there so* great, that hath
Statutes and Iudgements, *so* righteous, as all this
Law which I set before you this day?
9 Onely take heed to thy selfe, and keepe thy
soule diligently, lest thou forget the things which
thine eyes haue seene, and least they depart from
thy heart all the dayes of thy life: but teach them
thy sonnes, and thy sonnes sonnes:
10 *Specially*, the day that thou stoodest before the
LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said vn-
to me, Gather me the people together, and I will
make them heare my words, that they may learne to
feare me, all the dayes that they shall liue vpon the
earth, and that they may teach their children.
11 And ye came neere, and stood vnder the moun-
taine, and the *mountaine burnt with fire vnto * Exod.
the † midst of heauen, with darkenesse, clouds, and 19.18.
thicke darkenesse. † Hebr.
12 And the LORD spake vnto you out of the heart.
midst of the fire: ye heard the voyce of the words,
but saw no similitude, † onely ye heard a voyce. † Hebr.
13 And he declared vnto you his Couenant, which saue a
he commanded you to performe, *euen* ten Com- voyce.
mandements, and he wrote them vpon two Tables
of stone.
14 ¶ And the LORD commanded me at that
time, to teach you Statutes and Iudgements, that ye
might doe them in the land whither ye goe ouer to
possesse it.
15 Take ye therefore good heed vnto your selues,
(for ye saw no manner of similitude on the day *that*
the LORD spake vnto you in Horeb, out of the midst
of the fire.)
16 Least yee corrupt *your selues*, and make you a
grauen image, the similitude of any figure, the like-
nesse of male or female,
17 The likenesse of any beast that *is* on the earth,
the likenes of any winged foule † flieth in the ayre,
18 The likenesse of any thing that creepeth on
the ground, the likenesse of any fish that *is* in the
waters beneath the earth:
19 And least thou lift vp thine eyes vnto heauen,
and when thou seest the Sunne, and the Moone, and
the Stars, *euen* all the host of heauen, shouldest be
driuen to worship them and serue them, which the
LORD thy God hath ‖ diuided vnto all nations vn- ‖ Or, im-
der the whole heauen. parted.
20 But the LORD hath taken you, and brought
you forth out of the yron furnace, *euen* out of E-
gypt, to be vnto him a people of inheritance, *as ye
are* this day.
21 Furthermore, the LORD was angry with me
for your sakes, and sware that I should not goe ouer
Iordan, and that I should not goe in vnto that good
land, which the LORD thy God giueth thee *for* an
inheritance:

22 But

22 But I must die in this land, I must not goe ouer Iordan: but ye shall goe ouer, and possesse that good land.

23 Take heed vnto your selues, lest ye forget the Couenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a grauen image, or the likenesse of any thing which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.

* Chap. 9.3. heb. 12.29. 24 For the * LORD thy God is a consuming fire, euen a iealous God.

Heb. 25 ¶ When thou shalt beget children, and childrens children, and shalt haue remained long in the land, and shall corrupt *your selues*, and make a grauen image, or the likenesse of any thing, and shall doe euill in the sight of the LORD thy God, to prouoke him to anger:

26 I call heauen and earth to witnes against you this day, that ye shall soone vtterly perish from off the land whereunto ye goe ouer Iordan, to possesse it: ye shall not prolong *your* dayes vpon it, but shall vtterly be destroyed.

27 And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall leade you.

28 And there ye shall serue gods, the worke of mens hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor heare, nor eate, nor smell.

29 But if from thence thou shalt seeke the LORD thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seeke him with all thine heart, and with all thy soule.

† Heb. haue found thee, 30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things † are come vpon thee, euen in the latter dayes, if thou turne to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient vnto his voyce:

31 (For the LORD thy God is a mercifull God) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the Couenant of thy Fathers, which he sware vnto them.

32 For aske now of the dayes that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God created man vpon earth, and aske from the one side of heauen vnto the other, Whether there hath beene *any such thing* as this great thing *is*, or hath been heard like it?

33 Did *euer* people heare the voyce of God, speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and liue?

34 Or hath God assayed to goe and take him a nation from the midst of *another* nation, by temptations, by signes, and by wonders, and by warre, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arme, and by great terrours, according to all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

35 Vnto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God: there is none else besides him.

36 Out of heauen he made thee to heare his voice, that he might instruct thee: and vpon earth hee shewed thee his great fire, and thou heardest his words out of the midst of the fire.

37 And because he loued thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt:

38 To driue out nations from before thee, greater and mightier then thou art, to bring thee in, to giue thee their land *for* an inheritance, as *it is* this day.

39 Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the LORD he is God in heauen aboue, and vpon the earth beneath: there is none else.

40 Thou shalt keepe therefore his Statutes, and his Commandements, which I command thee this day, that it may goe well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong *thy* dayes vpon the earth, which the LORD thy God giueth thee for euer.

41 ¶ Then Moses seuered three cities on this side Iordan, towards the Sun rising:

42 That the slayer might flee thither, which should kill his neighbour vnawares, and hated him not in times past, and that fleeing vnto one of these cities, he might liue:

43 *Namely*, * Bezer in the wildernesse, in the plaine countrey of the Reubenites, and Ramoth in Gilead of the Gadites, and Golan in Bashan of the Manassites.

44 ¶ And this *is* the Law which Moses set before the children of Israel:

45 These *are* the Testimonies, & the Statutes, and the Iudgements, which Moses spake vnto the children of Israel, after they came forth out of Egypt,

46 On this side Iordan in the valley ouer against Beth-Peor, in the land of Sihon King of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel * smote after they were come forth out of Egypt:

47 And they possessed his land, and the land of * Og King of Bashan, two Kings of the Amorites, *which were* on this side Iordan, toward the Sun rising,

48 From Aroer, which *is* by the banke of the riuer Arnon, euen vnto mount Sion, which *is* Hermon,

49 And all the plaine of this side Iordan Eastward, euen vnto the sea, of the plaine vnder * springs of Pisgah.

CHAP. V.

1 The Couenant in Horeb. 6 The ten Commaundements. 22 At the peoples request, Moses receiueth the Law from God.

AND Moses called all Israel, and said vnto them, Heare, O Israel, the Statutes, and Iudgements which I speake in your eares this day, that ye may learne them, and † keepe and doe them.

2 * The LORD our God made a Couenant with vs in Horeb.

3 The LORD made not this Couenant with our fathers, but with vs, *euen* vs, who are all of vs here aliue this day.

4 The LORD talked with you face to face, in the mount, out of the midst of the fire,

5 (I stood betweene the LORD and you at that time, to shew you the word of the LORD: for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not vp into the mount) saying,

6 ¶ * I am the LORD thy God which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of † bondage.

7 Thou shalt haue none other gods before me.

8 Thou shalt not make thee any grauen image, *or* any likenes *of any thing* that is in heauen aboue, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth.

9 Thou shalt not bow downe thy selfe vnto them, nor serue them: for * I the LORD thy God *am* a iealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers vpon the children, vnto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me,

10 And * shewing mercy vnto thousands of them that loue me, and keepe my Commandements.

11 Thou shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vaine: for the LORD will not hold him guiltlesse that taketh his Name in vaine.

12 Keepe the Sabbath day to sanctifie it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.

dayes thou shalt labour, and doe all thy
But the seuenth day *is* the *Sabbath of the
thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any worke,
nor thy sonne, nor thy daughter, nor thy man
e, nor thy maid seruant, nor thine oxe, nor
asse, nor any of thy cattell, nor thy stranger
within thy gates, that thy man seruant, and
aid-seruant may rest as well as thou.
And remember that thou wast a seruant in the
of Egypt, & that the LORD thy God brought
ut thence, through a mighty hand, and by a
ed-out arme: therefore the LORD thy God
anded thee to keepe the Sabbath day.
¶ Honour thy father and thy mother, as the
D thy God hath commanded thee, that thy
may be prolonged, and that it may goe well
thee, in the land which the LORD thy God
h thee.
*Thou shalt not kill.
*Neither shalt thou commit adultery.
*Neither shalt thou steale.
Neither shalt thou beare false witnes against
ighbour.
*Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbours
neither shalt thou couet thy neighbors house,
ld or his man seruant, or his maid seruant, his
his asse, or any thing that *is* thy neighbours.
¶ These words the LORD spake vnto all your
bly in the mount, out of the midst of the fire,
cloud, and of the thick darknes, *with* a great
and he added no more, and he wrote them in
ables of stone, and deliuered them vnto me.
And it came to passe, when ye heard the voyce
the midst of the darknes (for the mountaine
rned with fire) that ye came neere vnto me,
ll the heads of your tribes, and your Elders.
And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath
d vs his glory, and his greatnesse, and * wee
eard his voyce out of the midst of the fire:
e seene this day that God doeth talke with
nd * he liueth.
Now therefore why should wee die? for this
fire will consume vs. If wee † heare the
of the LORD our God any more, then wee
ie.
For who is there of all flesh, that hath heard
ce of the liuing God speaking out of the
of the fire (as we *haue*) and liued?
Goe thou neere, and heare all that the LORD
d shall say, and speake thou vnto vs, all that
RD our God shall speake vnto thee, and * we
eare it, and doe it.
d the LORD heard the voyce of your words,
ye spake vnto me, and the LORD said vnto
haue heard the voyce of the words of this
ch they haue spoken vnto thee: they haue
ll, all that they haue spoken.
that there were such an heart in them, that
ld feare me, and keepe my Commande-
s alwayes, that it might be well with them,
their children for euer.
Goe, say vnto them, Get you into your tents
t as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I
ake vnto thee all the Commandements,
Statutes, and the Iudgements, which thou
ch them, that they may doe them in the
d which I giue them to possesse it.
shall obserue to do therefore as the LORD
d hath commanded you: ye shall not
ne to the right hand, or to the left.

33 You shall walke in all the wayes which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that yee may liue, and *that it may be* well with you, and that ye may prolong *your* dayes in the land which ye shall possesse.

CHAP. VI.

1 The end of the Law is obedience. 3 An exhortation thereto.

NOw these are the Commandements, the Statutes, and the Iudgements, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that yee might doe *them* in the land whither yee † goe to possesse it:

† Hebr. passe ouer.

2 That thou mightest feare the LORD thy God, to keepe all his Statutes, and his Commandements which I command thee; thou, and thy sonne, and thy sonnes sonne, all the dayes of thy life: and that thy dayes may be prolonged.

3 ¶ Heare therefore, O Israel, and obserue to do *it*, that it may be well with thee, and that yee may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milke and honey.

4 Heare, O Israel, the LORD our God *is* one LORD.

5 *And thou shalt loue the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule, and with all thy might.

* Chap. 10.12. mat.22. 37. mar. 12.30. luke 10. 27.

6 And * these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart.

7 And thou shalt † teach them diligently vnto thy children: and shalt talke of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest downe, and when thou risest vp.

* Chap. 11.18. † Hebr. whet, or sharpen.

8 And thou shalt binde them for a signe vpon thine hand, and they shall be as frontles betweene thine eyes.

9 And thou shalt write them vpon the posts of thine house, and on thy gates.

10 And it shal be, when the LORD thy God shall haue brought thee into the land which hee sware vnto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Iacob to giue thee, great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not,

11 And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wels digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not, * when thou shalt haue eaten and be full,

* Chap. 8. 9, 10, &c.

12 *Then* beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee foorth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of † bondage.

† Hebr. bond men or seruants.

13 Thou shalt * feare the LORD thy God, and serue him, and shalt sweare by his Name.

* Chap. 10.12, 20. & 13.4.

14 Ye shall not goe after other gods, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you:

15 (For the LORD thy God is a iealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

16 ¶ * Yee shall not tempt the LORD your God, * as ye tempted *him* in Massah.

* Mat. 4.7 * Exod. 17.2.

17 Yee shall diligently keepe the Commandements of the LORD your God, and his Testimonies, and his Statutes, which hee hath commanded thee.

18 And thou shalt doe that which *is* right and good in the sight of the LORD, that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest goe in, and possesse the good land which the LORD sware vnto thy fathers;

19 To

19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.

†Hebr. to morrow. 20 *And* when thy sonne asketh thee † in time to come, saying, What *meane* the Testimonies, and the Statutes, and the Iudgements which the LORD our God hath commanded you?

21 Then thou shalt say vnto thy sonne, We were Pharaohs bond-men in Egypt, and the LORD brought vs out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

† Hebr. great. 22 And the LORD shewed signes and wonders, and † sore vpon Egypt, vpon Pharaoh, and vpon all his houshold before our eyes:

23 And he brought vs out from thence, that he might bring vs in, to giue vs the land which he sware vnto our Fathers.

24 And the LORD commanded vs to doe all these Statutes, to feare the LORD our God for our good alwayes, that he might preserue vs aliue, as *it is* at this day.

25 And it shall bee our righteousnesse, if we obserue to doe all these Commandements before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded vs.

CHAP. VII.

1 *All communion with the nations is forbidden, & for feare of idolatry, & for the holynesse of the people,* 9 *for the nature of God in his Mercy and Iustice,* 17 *for the assurednesse of victory, which God will giue ouer them.*

* Chap. 31.3. WHen the *LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possesse it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the *Hittites*, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, seuen nations, greater and mightier then thou:

2 And *when* the LORD thy God shall deliuer them before thee, thou shalt smite them, and vtterly destroy them, * thou shalt make no couenant with them, nor shew mercy vnto them.

* Exod. 23.32. & 34.12.

3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them: thy daughter thou shalt not giue vnto his sonne, nor his daughter shalt thou take vnto thy sonne.

4 For they will turne away thy sonne from following me, that they may serue other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

† Hebr. *statues, or pillars.* 5 But thus shall ye deale with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and breake downe their † images, and cut downe their groues, and burne their grauen images with fire.

* Chap. 14.2. & 26.19. * Exod. 19.5. & Psal. 2.9

6 *For thou art an holy people vnto the LORD thy God: *the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a speciall people vnto himselfe, aboue all people that are vpon the face of the earth.

7 The LORD did not set his loue vpon you, nor chuse you, because you were moe in number then any people: (for ye were the fewest of all people,)

8 But because the LORD loued you, and because he would keepe the oath which hee had sworne vnto your Fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bond men, from the hand of Pharaoh King of Egypt.

9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithfull God, which keepeth Couenant and Mercy with them that loue him, and keepe his Commandements, to a thousand generations;

10 And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slacke to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.

11 Thou shalt therefore keepe the Commandements, and the Statutes, and the Iudgements, which I command thee this day, to doe them.

12 ¶ Wherefore it shall come to passe, if ye hearken to these Iudgements, and keepe, and do them: That the LORD thy God shall keepe vnto thee the Couenant, and the mercy which he sware vnto thy Fathers.

13 And hee will loue thee, and blesse thee, and multiply thee: hee will also blesse the fruit of thy wombe, and the fruit of thy land, thy corne, and thy wine, and thine oyle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheepe, in the land which he sware vnto thy Fathers to giue thee.

14 Thou shalt be blessed aboue all people: there shall not be male, or female barren among you, or among your cattell.

15 And the LORD will take away from thee all sicknesse, and will put none of the * euill diseases of Egypt (which thou knowest) vpon thee, but will lay them vpon all them that hate thee.

16 And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God shall deliuer thee; thine eye shall haue no pitie vpon them, neither shalt thou serue their gods, for that *will be* a snare vnto thee.

17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations are moe then I, how can I dispossesse them?

18 Thou shalt not bee afraid of them: but well remember, what the LORD thy God did vnto Pharaoh, and vnto all Egypt,

19 The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signes, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched-out arme, wherewith the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy God doe vnto all the people of whom thou art afraid.

20 * Moreouer, the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, vntill they that are left, and hide themselues from thee, be destroyed.

21 Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God is among you, a mighty God and terrible.

22 And the LORD thy God will † put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase vpon thee.

23 But the LORD thy God shall deliuer them † vnto thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, vntill they be destroyed.

24 And hee shall deliuer their Kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from vnder heauen: There shall no man bee able to stand before thee, vntill thou haue destroyed them.

25 The grauen images of their gods * shall ye burne with fire: thou * shalt not desire the siluer or gold *that is* on them, nor take it vnto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it *is* an abomination to the LORD thy God.

26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt vtterly detest it, and thou shalt vtterly abhorre it; for * it is a cursed thing.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *An exhortation to obedience, in regard of God dealing with them.*

ALl the Commandements which I command thee this day, shall ye obserue to doe, that ye may liue, and multiply, and goe in, and possesse the land which the LORD sware vnto your fathers.

2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these fourty yeares in the wildernesse, to humble thee, and to proue thee, to know what *was* in thine heart,

...ouldest keepe his Commandements, or no.
...And hee humbled thee, and suffered thee to
...er, and fed thee with Manna which thou
...est not, neither did thy fathers know't that he
...might make thee know, that man doth *not liue
...by bread onely, but by euery word that proceedeth
...out of the mouth of the LORD doth man liue.
...Thy raiment waxed not old vpon thee, neither did thy foot swell these fourty yeeres.
...Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that as a man chasteneth his sonne, so the LORD thy God chasteneth thee.
...Therefore thou shalt keepe the Commandements of the LORD thy God, to walke in his wayes, and to feare him.
...For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brookes of water, of fountaines, and depths that spring out of valleys and hils,
...A land of wheat and barley, and vines, and figtrees, and pomegranates, a land of †oyle oliue, and of hony.
...A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarcenesse, thou shalt not lacke any thing in it: a land whose stones are yron, and out of whose hilles thou mayest dig brasse.
...When thou hast eaten, and art full, then thou shalt blesse the LORD thy God, for the good land which he hath giuen thee.
...Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his Commandements, and his iudgements, and his Statutes which I command thee this day:
...Lest when thou hast eaten, and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein:
...And when thy herds and thy flockes multiply, and thy siluer and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied:
...Then thine heart be lifted vp, and thou forget the LORD thy God (which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;
...Who led thee thorow that great and terrible wildernesse, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water, *who brought forth water out of the rocke of flint;
...Who fed thee in the wildernesse with *Manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might proue thee, to doe thee good in thy latter end:)
...And thou say in thine heart, My power, and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth.
...But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giueth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his Couenant, which he sware vnto thy fathers, as it is this day.
...And it shall be, if thou doe at all forget the LORD thy God, and walke after other gods, and serue them, and worship them, I testifie against you this day, that ye shall surely perish.
...As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your face, so shall yee perish; because yee would not be obedient vnto the voyce of the LORD your God.

CHAP. IX.

Moses dissuadeth them from the opinion of their righteousnes, by rehearsing their stubbornesse.

...HEare, O Israel, thou art to passe ouer Iordan this day, to goe in, to possesse nations greater and mightier then thy selfe, cities great and fenced vp to heauen,
...A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, *Who can stand before the children of Anak?

*Num. 13.29.

...Vnderstand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God is hee, which goeth ouer before thee, as a consuming fire: he shall destroy them, and hee shall bring them downe before thy face: so shalt thou driue them out, and destroy them quickly, as the LORD hath said vnto thee.

*Chap. 4.24. Heb. 12.29.

...Speake not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousnesse the LORD hath brought mee in to possesse this land: but for the wickednes of these nations, the LORD doth drive them out from before thee.
...Not for thy righteousnes, or for the vprightnesse of thine heart, doest thou goe to possesse their land: But for the wickednesse of these nations, the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee, and that he may performe the word which the LORD sware vnto thy fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob.
...Vnderstand therefore, that the LORD thy God giueth thee not this good land, to possesse it, for thy righteousnesse: for thou art a stiffe-necked people.
...Remember, and forget not, how thou prouokedst the LORD thy God to wrath in the wildernesse: from the day that thou didst depart out of the land of Egypt, vntill yee came vnto this place, ye haue beene rebellious against the LORD.
...Also in Horeb yee prouoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you, to haue destroyed you.
...When I was gone vp into the mount, to receiue the Tables of stone, euen the Tables of the Couenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount fourty dayes, and fourty nights, I neither did eat bread, nor drinke water:

*Exod. 24.18.

...And the LORD deliuered vnto mee two Tables of stone, written with the finger of God, and on them was written according to all the words which the LORD spake with you in the mount, out of the midst of the fire, in the day of the assembly.

*Exod. 31.18. & 34.28.

...And it came to passe at the end of fourty dayes and fourty nights, that the LORD gaue me the two Tables of stone, euen the Tables of the Couenant.
...And the LORD said vnto me, Arise, get thee downe quickely from hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt, haue corrupted themselues: they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they haue made them a molten image.

*Exod. 32.7.

...Furthermore the LORD spake vnto mee, saying, I haue seene this people, and behold, it is a stiffe-necked people:
...Let me alone, that I may destroy them and blot out their name from vnder heauen, and I will make of thee a nation, mightier and greater then they.
...So I turned and came downe from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the two Tables of the Couenant were in my two hands.
...And I looked, and behold, yee had sinned against the LORD your God, and had made you a molten calfe: yee had turned aside quickely out of the way which the LORD had commanded you.
...And I tooke the two Tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before your eyes.
...And I fell downe before the LORD, as at the first, fourty dayes and fourty nights, I did neither eat bread, nor drinke water, because of all your sinnes, which yee sinned in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to prouoke him to anger.

19 (For I was afraid of the anger and hote displeasure wherewith the LORD was wroth against you to destroy you.) But the LORD hearkened vnto mee at that time also.

20 And the LORD was very angry with Aaron, to haue destroyed him: And I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

21 And I tooke your sinne, the calfe which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, and grownd it very small, euen vntill it was as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the brooke that descended out of the mount.

*Numb. 11.1,3. *Exod. 17.7. *Numb. 11.34. 22 And at *Taberah, and at *Massah, and at *Kibroth-Hattaauah, yee prouoked the LORD to wrath.

23 Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-Barnea, saying, Goe vp and possesse the land which I haue giuen you, then you rebelled against the commandement of the LORD your God, and ye beleeued him not, nor hearkened to his voyce.

24 You haue beene rebellious against the LORD, from the day that I knew you.

25 Thus I fell downe before the LORD fourty dayes, and fourty nights, as I fell downe *at the first*, because the LORD had said, he would destroy you.

26 I prayed therefore vnto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, destroy not thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed thorow thy greatnesse, which thou hast brought foorth out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

27 Remember thy seruants, Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob, looke not vnto the stubbornenesse of this people, nor to their wickednesse, nor to their sinne:

*Numb. 14.16. 28 Lest the land whence thou broughtest vs out, say, *Because the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which hee promised them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out, to slay them in the wildernesse.

29 Yet they are thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty power, and by thy stretched-out arme.

CHAP. X.

1 Gods mercy in restoring the two Tables, 6 in continuing the Priesthood, 8 in separating the tribe of Leui, 10 in hearkning vnto Moses his suit for the people. 12 An exhortation to obedience.

*Exod. 34.1. AT that time the LORD said vnto me, *Hew thee two Tables of stone, like vnto the first, and come vp vnto mee into the mount, and make thee an Arke of wood.

2 And I will write on the Tables the words that were in the first Tables, which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the Arke.

3 And I made an Arke of Shittim wood, and hewed two Tables of stone like vnto the first, and went vp into the mount, hauing the two Tables in mine hand.

†Hebr. words. 4 And he wrote on the Tables according to the first writing, the ten †Commandements which the LORD spake vnto you in the mount, out of the midst of the fire, in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gaue them vnto me.

5 And I turned my selfe and came downe from the mount, and put the Tables in the Arke which I had made, and there they bee, as the LORD commanded mee.

*Numb. 33.30. *Numb. 20.28. 6 ¶ And the children of Israel tooke their iourney from Beeroth of the children of Iaakan, to †Mosera: *there Aaron dyed, and there hee was buried, and Eleazar his sonne ministred in the Priests office in his stead.

7 From thence they iourneyed vnto Gudgodah, and from Gudgodah to Iotbath, a land of riuers waters.

8 ¶ At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Leui, to beare the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD, to minister vnto him, and to blesse in his Name vnto this day.

9 *Wherfore Leui hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren: the LORD is his inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised him.

10 And I stayed in the mount, according to the ‖ first time, fourtie dayes, and fourtie nights: and the LORD hearkened vnto mee at that time also, *and* the LORD would not destroy thee.

11 And the LORD said vnto mee, Arise, take *thy* iourney before the people, that they may go in and possesse the land which I sware vnto their fathers to giue vnto them.

12 ¶ And now Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to feare the LORD thy God, to walke in all his wayes, and to loue him, and to serue the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soule,

13 To keepe the Commandements of the LORD and his Statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?

14 Behold, the heauen, and the heauen of heauens is the LORDS thy God, * the earth also, with all that therein is.

15 Onely the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to loue them, and he chose their seed after them, euen you, aboue all people, as it is this day.

16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffenecked.

17 For the LORD your God, is God of gods, and LORD of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which * regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward.

18 Hee doth execute the iudgement of the fatherlesse and widow, and loueth the stranger, in giuing him food and raiment.

19 Loue ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

20 *Thou shalt feare the LORD thy God, him shalt thou serue, and to him shalt thou cleaue, and sweare by his Name.

21 Hee *is* thy praise, and hee *is* thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes haue seene.

22 Thy fathers went downe into Egypt, with threescore and ten persons: and now the LORD thy God hath made thee *as* the starres of heauen for multitude.

CHAP. XI.

1 An exhortation to obedience, 2 by the experience of Gods great workes, 8 by promise of Gods great blessings, 16 and by threatning. A carefull study is required in Gods worship: blessing and curse is set before them.

THerefore thou shalt loue the LORD thy God, and keepe his charge, and his Statutes, and his Iudgements, and his Commandements alway.

2 And know you this day: for I *speake* not with your children which haue not known, and which haue not seene the chastisement of the LORD your God, his greatnesse, his mighty hand, and his stretched out arme,

3 And his miracles, and his actes, which he did in the midst of Egypt, vnto Pharaoh the King of Egypt, and vnto all his land,

4 And what he did vnto the armie of Egypt, vnto their horses, and to their chariots, how he made the water of the red Sea to ouerflow them

ursued after you, and how the LORD hath destroyed them vnto this day.

5 And what he did vnto you in the wildernesse, till ye came into this place.

6 And * what he did vnto Dathan, and Abiram, the sonnes of Eliab, the sonne of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them vp, and their houshoulds, and their tents, and all the substance that † was in their possession, in the middst of all Israel.

7 But your eyes haue seene all the great actes of the LORD, which he did.

8 Therefore shall yee keepe all the Commandements which I command you this day, that ye may be strong, and goe in, and possesse the land whither ye goe to possesse it:

9 And that you may prolong *your* dayes in the land which the LORD sware vnto your fathers to giue vnto them, and to their seed, a land that floweth with milke and honey.

10 ¶ For the land whither thou goest in to possesse it, is not as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and watredst it with thy foot, as a garden of herbes:

11 But the land whither ye goe to possesse it, is a land of hils, and valleys, *and* drinketh water of the raine of heauen.

12 A land which the LORD thy God careth †for: the eyes of the LORD thy God *are* alwayes vpon it, from the beginning of the yeere, euen vnto the end of the yeere.

13 ¶ And it shall come to passe, if you shall hearken diligently vnto my Commandements, which I command you this day, to loue the LORD your God, and to serue him with all your heart, and with all your soule:

14 That I will giue the raine of your land in his season, the first raine, and the latter raine, that thou mayest gather in thy corne, and thy wine, and thine oyle.

15 And I will † send grasse in thy fields for thy cattell, that thou mayest eate and be full.

16 Take heed to your selues, that your heart be not deceiued, and yee turne aside, and serue other gods, and worship them:

17 And *then* the LORDS wrath bee kindled against you, and he shut vp the heauen, that there be no raine, and that the land yeeld not her fruit, and yee perish quickly from off the good land, which the LORD giueth you.

18 ¶ Therefore shall yee lay vp these my words in your heart, and in your soule, and * bind them for a signe vpon your hand, that they may bee as frontlets betweene your eyes.

19 And * yee shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou lyest downe, and when thou risest vp.

20 And thou shalt write them vpon the doore-posts of thine house, and vpon thy gates:

21 That your dayes may bee multiplied, and the dayes of your children in the land which the LORD sware vnto your fathers, to giue them, as the dayes of heauen vpon the earth.

22 For if yee shall diligently keepe all these commandements which I command you to doe, to loue the LORD your God, to walke in all his wayes, and to cleaue vnto him:

23 *Then* will the LORD driue out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possesse greater nations and mightier then your selues.

24 Euery place wherein the soles of your feet shall tread, shall be yours: from the wilderneſſe, and Lebanon, from the riuer, the riuer Euphrates, euen vnto the vttermoſt ſea, ſhall your coaſt be.

25 There ſhall no man be able to ſtand before you: *for* the LORD your God ſhall lay the feare of you, and the dread of you vpon all the land that ye ſhall tread vpon, as he hath ſaid vnto you.

26 ¶ Behold, I ſet before you this day, a bleſſing and a curſe:

27 * A bleſſing, if yee obey the Commandements of the LORD your God, which I command you this day: * Chap. 28.2.

28 And a * curſe, if yee will not obey the Commandements of the LORD your God, but turne aſide out of the way, which I command you this day, to goe after other gods which ye haue not knowne. * Chap. 28.15.

29 And it ſhall come to paſſe, when the LORD thy God hath brought thee in, vnto the land whither thou goeſt to poſſeſſe it, that thou ſhalt put * the bleſſing vpon mount Gerizim, and the curſe vpon mount Ebal. * Chap. 27.12. Ioſh. 8.33

30 Are they not on the other ſide Iordan, by the way where the Sunne goeth downe, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the champion ouer againſt Gilgal, beſide the plaines of Moreh?

31 For yee ſhall paſſe ouer Iordane, to goe in to poſſeſſe the land which the LORD your God giueth you, and ye ſhall poſſeſſe it, and dwell therein.

32 And ye ſhall obſerue *to doe all the Statutes and Iudgements, which I ſet before you this day. * Chap. 5.32.

CHAP. XII.

1 *Monuments of idolatry are to bee deſtroyed.* 5 *The place of Gods ſeruice is to be kept.* 15.23 *Blood is forbidden.* 17. 20. 26 *Holy things muſt be eaten in the holy place.* 19 *The Leuite is not to be forſaken.* 29 *Idolatry is not to be enquired after.*

THeſe are the Statutes and Iudgements which ye ſhall obſerue to doe, in the land which the LORD God of thy fathers giueth thee to poſſeſſe it, all the dayes that ye liue vpon the earth.

2 *Ye ſhall vtterly deſtroy all the places wherein the nations which ye ſhall ‖ poſſeſſe, ſerued their gods, vpon the high mountaines, and vpon the hils, and vnder euery greene tree. * Chap. 7.5. ‖ *Or, inherit.*

3 And * you ſhall † ouerthrow their Altars, and breake their pillars, and burne their groues with fire, and you ſhall hew downe the grauen images of their gods, and deſtroy the names of them out of that place. * Iudg. 2.2. † *Heb. breake downe.*

4 Yee ſhall not doe ſo vnto the LORD your God.

5 But vnto the place which the LORD your God ſhall * chuſe out of all your tribes to put his Name there, *euen* vnto his habitation ſhall ye ſeeke, and thither thou ſhalt come: * 1. Kings 8.29. 2 chron. 7.12.

6 And thither yee ſhall bring your burnt offerings, and your ſacrifices, and your tithes, and heaue offerings of your hand, and your vowes, and your free-will offerings, and the firſtlings of your herds, and of your flockes.

7 And there yee ſhall eate before the LORD your God, and ye ſhall reioyce in all that you put your hand vnto, yee and your houſholds, wherein the LORD thy God hath bleſſed thee.

8 Ye ſhall not doe after all the things that we doe here this day, euery man what ſoeuer *is* right in his owne eyes.

9 For ye are not as yet come to the reſt, and to the inheritance which the LORD your God giueth you.

10 But when yee goe ouer Iordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giueth you to

inherite, and when he giueth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safetie:

11 Then there shall be a place, which the LORD your God shall chuse to cause his Name to dwell there, thither shall yee bring all that I command you, your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heaue offering of your hand, and all †your choice vowes which ye vow vnto the LORD.

†Heb. the choyce of your vowes.

12 And yee shall reioyce before the LORD your God, yee and your sonnes, and your daughters, and your men seruants, and your maid seruants, and the Leuite that is within your gates, forasmuch as* he hath no part nor inheritance with you.

* Chap. 10.9.

13 Take heed to thy selfe, that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in euery place that thou seest:

14 But in the place which the LORD shall chuse in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt doe all that I command thee.

15 Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eate flesh in all thy gates, whatsoeuer thy soule lusteth after, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God, which hee hath giuen thee: the vncleane and the cleane may eate thereof, as of the Roe-buk, and as of the Hart.

* Chap. 33.33.

16 * Onely ye shall not eate the blood: yee shall powre it vpon the earth, as water.

17 ¶ Thou mayest not eate within thy gates the tythe of thy corne, or of thy wine, or of thy oyle, or the firstlings of thy herds, or of thy flocke, nor any of thy vowes which thou vowest, nor thy free-will offerings, or heaue offering of thine hand:

18 But thou must eate them before the LORD thy God, in the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse, thou, and thy sonne, and thy daughter, and thy manseruant, and thy maid-seruant, and the Leuite that is within thy gates: and thou shalt reioyce before the LORD thy God, in all that thou puttest thine hands vnto.

19

* Chap. 14.27. eccles. 7.35.

19 *Take heed to thy selfe, that thou forsak not the Leuite, as† long as thou liuest vpon the earth.

† Heb. all thy dayes.

20 ¶When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border* as he hath promised thee, and thou shalt say, I will eate flesh (because thy soule longeth to eate flesh) thou mayest eate flesh, whatsoeuer thy soule lusteth after.

* Gene. 28.14. chap. 19.9

21 If the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to put his name there, bee too farre from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd, and of thy flocke, which the LORD hath giuen thee, as I haue commanded thee, and thou shalt eate in thy gates, whatsoeuer thy soule lusteth after.

22 Euen as the Roe-bucke and the Hart is eaten so thou shalt eate them: the vncleane and the cleane shall eat of them alike.

† Heb. be strong.

23 Onely †be sure that thou eate not the blood: for the blood is the life, and thou mayest not eate the life with the flesh.

24 Thou shalt not eate it, thou shalt powre it vpon the earth as water.

25 Thou shalt not eate it, that it may goe well with thee, and with thy children after thee: when thou shalt doe that which is right in the sight of the LORD.

26 Onely thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vowes thou shalt take, and goe vnto the place which the LORD shall chuse.

27 And thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, vpon the Altar of the LORD thy God, and the blood of thy sacrifices shall bee powred out vpon the Altar of the LORD thy God: and thou shalt eate the flesh,

28 Obserue and heare all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for euer, when thou doest that which is good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God.

29 ¶ When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possesse them, and thou †succeedest them, and dwellest in their land:

† Heb. inherite.

30 Take heed to thy selfe, that thou be not snared † by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee, and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serue their gods? euen so will I doe likewise.

† Heb. a snare.

31 Thou shalt not doe so vnto the LORD thy God: for euery † abomination to the LORD which he hateth, haue they done vnto their gods: for euen their sonnes and their daughters they haue burnt in the fire to their gods.

† Heb. euery thing abominable.

32 What thing soeuer I command you, obserue to doe it: * thou shalt not adde thereto, nor diminish from it.

* Deut. 4.2. chap. 12.32. Reuel. 22.18.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Enticers to idolatry, 6 How neere soeuer they be, 9 are to be stoned to death. 12 Idolatrous cities are not to be spared.

IF there arise among you a Prophet, or a dreamer of dreames, and giueth thee a signe, or a wonder,

2 And the signe or the wonder come to passe, whereof he spake vnto thee, saying, Let vs goe after other gods (which thou hast not known) and let vs serue them:

3 Thou shalt not hearken vnto the words of that Prophet, or that dreamer of dreames: for the LORD your God proueth you, to know whether you loue the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soule.

4 Ye shall walke after the LORD your God, and feare him, and keepe his Commandements, and obey his voyce, and you shall serue him, and * cleaue vnto him.

* Deut. 10.20.

5 And that Prophet, or that dreamer of dreames shall be put to death, (because he hath † spoken to turne you away from the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded thee to walke in) So shalt thou put the euill away from the midst of thee.

† Heb. to cause to reuolt.

6 ¶ If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy sonne, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosome, or thy friend which is as thine owne soule, entice thee secretly, saying, Let vs goe and serue other gods, which thou hast not knowne, thou, nor thy fathers,

7 *Namely*, of the gods of the people which are round about you, nigh vnto thee, or farre off from thee, from the *one* end of the earth, euen vnto the *other* end of the earth:

8 Thou shalt not consent vnto him, nor hearken vnto him, neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceale him:

9 But * thou shalt surely kill him: Thine hand shall bee first vpon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

10 And thou shalt stone him with stones that he die: because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

11 And * all Israel shall heare, and feare, and shall doe no more any such wickednesse as this is among you.

12 ¶ If thou shalt heare *say* in one of thy cities

h the LORD thy God hath giuen thee to dwell
saying,
Certaine men, ‖ the children of Belial are
ne from among you, and haue withdrawne
habitants of their city, saying, Let vs goe
rue other gods, which yee haue not knowne:
Then shalt thou enquire and make search, and
iligently: and behold if it be truth, and the
certaine, that such abomination is wrought
you:
Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of
city with the edge of the sword, destroying it
y, and all that is therein, and the cattell
f with the edge of the sword.
And thou shalt gather all the spoile of it, in-
midst of the street thereof, and shalt burne
fire the city, and all the spoile thereof euery
for the LORD thy God: and it shall be an
for euer, it shall not be built againe.
and there shall cleaue nought of the ‖ cursed
to thine hand, that the LORD may turne
he fiercenesse of his anger, and shew thee
, and haue compassion vpon thee, and mul-
thee, as he hath sworne vnto thy fathers;
When thou shalt hearken to the voyce of the
thy God, to keepe all his Commandements
I command thee this day, to doe that which
t in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

CHAP. XIIII.

*ds children are not to disfigure themselues in
ng. 3 What may, and what may not be ea-
n flesh. 9 of fishes. 21 of fowles. 21 That
nimall is selfe may not be eaten. 22 Tithes
y encrease. 23 Tithes and firstlings of reioy-
ings the Lord. 28 The third yeares tithe.*

Are the children of the LORD your God:
shall not cut your selues nor make any
t betweene your eyes for the dead:
for thou art an holy people vnto the LORD
, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a
people vnto himselfe, aboue all the nati-
are vpon the earth.
hou shalt not eat any abominable thing.
These are the beasts which ye shall eat: the
Sheepe, and the Goat,
Hart, and the Roe-bucke, and the fallow
and the wild Goat, and the ‖ Pygarg, and
and the Chamois:
euery beast that parteth the hoofe, and
the clift into two clawes, and cheweth
mongst the beasts: that ye shall eate.
nethelesse, these ye shall not eat, of them
y the cud, or of them that diuide the clo-
as the Camell, and the Hare and the Co-
ney: they chew the cud, but diuide not the hoofe,
they are vncleane vnto you.
the swine: because it diuideth the hoofe,
h not the cud: it is vncleane vnto you: ye
not of their flesh, nor touch their dead

ese ye shall eat of all that are in the wa-
ose haue finnes and scales, shall ye eate:
whatsoeuer hath not finnes and scales, ye
t: it is vncleane vnto you.
ll cleane birds ye shall eate.
ese are they of which ye shall not eate:
and the Ossifrage, and the Ospray,
e Glede, and the Kite, and the Vulture
ding:
ery Rauen after his kind,
e Owle, and the night-Hawke, and the
the Hawke after his kind,

15 The little Owle, and the great Owle, and the Swanne,
17 And the Pellican, and the Geer-eagle, and the Cormorant,
18 And the Storke, and the Heron after her kind, and the Lapwing, and the *Batte.
19 And euery creeping thing that fleeth, is vncleane vnto you: they shall not be eaten.
20 But of all cleane foules ye may eate.
21 ¶ Ye shall not eat of any thing that dyeth of it selfe: thou shalt giue it vnto the stranger that is in thy gates, that he may eat it, or thou mayest sell it vnto an alient: for thou art an holy people vnto the LORD thy God. * Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mothers milke.
22 Thou shalt truely tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth foorth yeere by yeere.
23 And thou shalt eate before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall chuse to place his Name there, the tithe of thy corne, of thy wine, and of thy oyle, and the firstlings of thy herds, and of thy flockes; that thou mayest learne to feare the LORD thy God alwayes.
24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it, or if the place be too far from thee which the LORD thy God shall chuse to set his Name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:
25 Then shalt thou turne it into money, and bind vp the money in thine hand, and shalt goe vnto the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse:
26 And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoeuer thy soule lusteth after: for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drinke, or for whatsoeuer thy soule †desireth, and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt reioyce, thou and thy household.
27 And the *Leuite that is within thy gates, thou shalt not forsake him: for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.
28 ¶ At the end of three yeeres thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same yeere, and shalt lay it vp within thy gates.
29 And the Leuite, because hee hath no part nor inheritance with thee, and the stranger, and the fatherlesse, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eate, and be satisfied, that the LORD thy God may blesse thee, in all the worke of thine hand which thou doest.

CHAP. XV.

1 The seuenth yeere a yeere of release for the poore. 7 It must be no let of lending or giuing. 12 An Hebrew seruant, 16 except he will not depart must in the seuenth yeere goe foorth free and well furnished. 19 All firstlings males of the cattell are to be sanctified vnto the Lord.

AT the end of *euery seuen yeeres, thou shalt make a release.
2 And this is the manner of the release: Euery †creditour that lendeth ought vnto his neighbour, shall release it: he shall not exact it of his neighbour, or of his brother, because it is called the LORDS release.
3 Of a forreiner thou mayest exact it againe: but that which is thine with thy brother, thine hand shall release.
4 ‖ Saue when there shall be no poore among you: for the LORD shall greatly blesse thee in the land which the LORD thy God giueth thee for an inheritance to possesse it:
5 Only if thou carefully hearken vnto the voice of the LORD thy God, to obserue to doe all these

*Leuit. 11.46.

* Exod. 23.19. & 34.26.

†Hebr. maketh of thee.

*Chap. 12.19.

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*Leuit. 25.2,4

†Heb. master of the lending of his hand.

‖Or to the end there be no poore among

Commandements, which I command thee this day.

6 For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee, and *thou shalt lend vnto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow, and thou shalt reigne ouer many nations, but they shall not reigne ouer thee.

*Chap. 28.12.

7 ¶ If there be among you a poore man of one of the brethren within any of thy gates, in thy land which the LORD thy God giueth thee, thou shalt not harden thy heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poore brother,

8 *But thou shalt open thine hand wide vnto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need in that which he wanteth.

*Mat. 5. 42. luke 6 34.

9 Beware † that there be not a † thought in thy † wicked heart, saying, The seuenth yere, the yere of release is at hand, and thine eye be euill against thy poore brother, & thou giuest him nought, & he cry vnto ‡ the LORD against thee, & it be sin vnto thee.

† Heb. word. † Heb. Belial. ‡ Heb. Eglial.

10 Thou shalt surely giue him, and thine heart shall not be grieued when thou giuest vnto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in all thy workes, and in all that thou puttest thine hand vnto.

11 For the poore shall neuer cease out of the land: Therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide vnto thy brother, to thy poore, and to thy needy in the land.

12 ¶ And* if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman be sold vnto thee, and serue thee six yeeres, then in the seuenth yere thou shalt let him goe free from thee.

*Exod. 21.2. ier. 34.14.

13 And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him goe away empty:

14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flocke, and out of thy floore, and out of thy wine-presse, of that wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee, thou shalt giue vnto him.

15 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.

16 And it shall be, if he say vnto thee, I will not goe away from thee, because hee loueth thee, and thine house, because he is well with thee:

17 *Then thou shalt take an aule, and thrust it through his eare vnto the doore, and he shall be thy seruant for euer: and also vnto thy maid-seruant thou shalt doe likewise.

*Exod. 21.6.

18 It shall not seeme hard vnto thee when thou sendest him away free from thee: for he hath beene worth a double hired seruant vnto thee, in seruing thee six yeeres: and the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in all that thou doest.

19 ¶ *All the firstling males that come of thy herd, and of thy flocke, thou shalt sanctifie vnto the LORD thy God: thou shalt doe no worke with the firstling of thy bullocke, nor sheare the firstling of thy sheepe.

*Exod. 34.19.

20 Thou shalt eate it before the LORD thy God yeere by yeere, in the place which the LORD shall chuse, thou and thy household.

21 *And if there be any blemish therein: as if it be lame, or blind, or haue any ill blemish, thou shalt not sacrifice it vnto the LORD thy God.

* Leuit. 22.20. chap. 17.1. ecclus. 35.12.

22 Thou shalt eate it within thy gates: the vncleane and the cleane person shall eate it alike, as the Roe-backe, and as the Hart.

23 *Onely thou shalt not eat the blood thereof: thou shalt powre it vpon the ground as water.

*Chap. 12.16.23.

CHAP. XVI.

1 The feast of the Passeouer 9 Of weekes: 13 Of Tabernacles. 16 Euery male must offer at the solemne feasts. 18 Of Iudges and officers. 21 Groues and images are forbidden.

OBserue *the moneth of Abib, and keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD thy God: for in the moneth of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.

*Exod. 12.1. & 13.4.

2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the Passeouer vnto the LORD thy God of the flocke, and the herd, in the *place which the LORD shall chuse to place his Name there.

*Deut. 12.5.

3 *Thou shalt eat no leauened bread with it: seuen dayes shalt thou eat vnleauened bread therewith, euen the bread of affliction, (for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste) that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt, all the dayes of thy life.

*Exod. 12.15. & 13.6.

4 *And there shall be no leauened bread seene with thee in all thy coasts seuen dayes: neither shall there any thing of the flesh which thou sacrificedst the first day at euen, remaine all night vnto the morning.

*Exod. 23.18. & 34.25.

5 Thou mayest not sacrifice the Passeouer within any of the gates which the LORD thy God giueth thee:

6 But at the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse to place his Name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the Passeouer at euen, at the going downe of the Sunne, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.

7 And thou shalt roste, and eat it in the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse, and thou shalt turne in the morning, and goe vnto thy tents.

8 Sixe dayes thou shalt eat vnleauened bread: and *one day shall be a* solemne assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no worke therein.

9 ¶* Seuen weekes shalt thou number vnto thee: begin to number the seuen weekes from such time as thou beginnest *to put* the sickle to the corne.

*Leuit. 23.15.

10 And thou shalt keepe the feast of weekes vnto the LORD thy God, with a tribute of a free offering of thine hand, which thou shalt giue vnto the LORD thy God, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee.

11 And thou shalt reioyce before the LORD thy God: thou, and thy sonne, and thy daughter, and thy man-seruant, and thy maid-seruant, and the Leuite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherlesse, and the widow, that *are* among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his Name there.

12 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt obserue and doe these Statutes.

13 ¶ Thou shalt obserue the feast of Tabernacles seuen dayes, after that thou hast gathered in thy † corne and thy wine.

† Heb. floore.

14 And thou shalt reioyce in thy feast, thou, and thy sonne, and thy daughter, and thy man-seruant, and thy maid-seruant, & the Leuite, the stranger, the fatherles, & the widow, that *are* within thy gates.

15 Seuen dayes shalt thou keepe a solemne feast vnto the LORD thy God, in the place which the LORD shall chuse: because the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in all thy increase, and in all the workes of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely reioyce.

16 ¶* Three times in a yeere shall all thy males appeare before the LORD thy God, in the place which hee shall chuse: in the feast of vnleauened bread, and in the feast of weekes, and in the feast of Tabernacles: and they shall not appeare before the LORD * empty.

*Exod. 23.14. & 34.23. deut. 31.11.

ery man shall giue as he is able, according
blessing of the LORD thy God, which he
giuen thee.
Iudges and officers shalt thou make thee, in
y gates which the LORD thy God giueth thee
out thy tribes: and they shall iudge the peo-
with iust iudgement.
Thou shalt not wrest iudgement, thou shalt
spect persons, neither take a gift: for a gift
blinde the eyes of the wise, and peruert the
se of the righteous. Pro. 19.6 Deut. 27.25
That which is † altogether iust shalt thou
w, that thou mayest liue, and inherit the land
the LORD thy God giueth thee.
Thou shalt not plant thee a grone of any
eeres vnto the Altar of the LORD thy God,
thou shalt make thee:
Neither shalt thou set thee vp any ‖ image,
the LORD thy God hateth.

CHAP. XVII.

*The things sacrificed must be sound. 2 Idola-
must be slaine. 8 Hard controuersies are to be
mined by the Priests and Iudges. 12 The con-
mpt of that determination must die. 14 The ele-
tion and duty of a King.*

Thou shalt not sacrifice vnto the LORD thy
God any bullocke, or ‖ sheepe, wherein is ble-
sh or any euill fauouredneſſe: for that is an
omination vnto the LORD thy God.
If there be found among you, within any of
tes which the LORD thy God giueth thee,
woman, that hath wrought wickednesse in
ght of the LORD thy God, in transgressing
s couenant,
And hath gone and serued other gods, & wor-
ped them, either the Sunne, or Moone, or any of
st of heauen, which I haue not commanded,
And it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it,
quired diligently, and behold, it is true, and
ing certaine, that such abomination is
ne in Israel:
Then shalt thou bring forth that man, or that
man (which haue committed that wicked thing)
y gates, euen that man, or that woman, and
one them with stones till they die.
At the mouth of two witnesses, or three wit-
nesses shall he that is worthy of death, be put to
death: but at the mouth of one witnesse he shall
not be put to death.
The hands of the witnesses shall be first vpon
him to death, and afterward the hands
of the people: so thou shalt put the euill away
from among you.
If there arise a matter too hard for thee in
dgement, betweene blood and blood, betweene
e plea, and betweene stroke and stroke, be-
ing matters of controuersie within thy gates: then
halt thou arise, and get thee vp into the place
which the LORD thy God shall chuse:
And thou shalt come vnto the Priests, the Le-
ites, and vnto the Iudge that shall be in those
ys, and enquire, and they shall shew thee the
ord of iudgement.
And thou shalt doe according to the sentence
which they of that place (which the LORD shall
ose) shall shew thee; and thou shalt obserue to
doe according to all that they informe thee:
According to the sentence of the law which
they teach thee, and according to the iudge-
ent which they shall tell thee, thou shalt doe:
thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they
all shew thee, to the right hand, nor to the left hand.
12 And the man that will doe presumptuously,
† and will not hearken vnto the Priest (that ſtan-
deth to minister there before the LORD thy God)
or vnto the Iudge, euen that man shall die, and thou
shalt put away the euill from Israel.
13 And all the people shall heare, and feare, and
doe no more presumptuously.
14 ¶ When thou art come vnto the land which
the LORD thy God giueth thee, and shalt possesse
it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set
a King ouer me, like as all the nations that are
about me:
15 Thou shalt in any wise set him king ouer thee,
whom the LORD thy God shall chuse. One from
among thy brethren shalt thou set king ouer thee:
thou mayest not set a stranger ouer thee, which is
not thy brother.
16 But he shall not multiply horses to himselfe,
nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end
that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the
LORD hath said vnto you, Ye shall henceforth re-
turne no more that way.
17 Neither shall he multiply wiues to himselfe,
that his heart turne not away: neither shall he
greatly multiply to himselfe siluer and gold.
18 And it shall be when he sitteth vpon the
throne of his kingdome, that he shall write him a
copie of this Law in a booke, out of that which is
before the Priests the Leuites.
19 And it shall be with him, and he shall reade
therein all the dayes of his life, that he may learne
to feare the LORD his God, to keepe all the words
of this Law, and these Statutes to doe them:
20 That his heart be not lifted vp aboue his bre-
thren, and that he turne not aside from the com-
mandement, to the right hand, or to the left: to
the end that he may prolong his dayes in his king-
dome; he, and his children in the midst of Israel.

CHAP. XVIII

*1 The Lord is the Priests and Leuites inheri-
tance. 3 The Priests due. 6 The Leuites portion. 9
The abominations of the nations are to be auoided.
15 Christ the Prophet is to be heard. 20 The pre-
sumptuous prophet is to die.*

THE Priests, the Leuites, and all the tribe of
Leui, * shall haue no part nor inheritance
with Israel: they * shall eate the offerings of the
LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.
2 Therefore shall they haue no inheritance a-
mong their brethren: the LORD is their inheri-
tance, as he hath said vnto them.
3 ¶ And this shall be the Priests due from the
people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether it
be oxe or sheepe: and they shall giue vnto the Priest
the shoulder, and the two cheekes, and the maw.
4 The first fruit also of thy corne, of thy wine,
and of thy oyle, and the first of the fleece of thy
sheepe shalt thou giue him.
5 For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out
of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the Name
of the LORD, him and his sonnes for euer.
6 ¶ And if a Leuite come from any of thy gates
out of all Israel, where he sojourned, and come with
all the desire of his mind vnto the place which the
LORD shall chuse:
7 Then hee shall minister in the Name of the
LORD his God, as all his brethren the Leuites do,
which stand there before the LORD.
8 They shall haue like portions to eate, beside
† that which commeth of the sale of his patrimony.
9 ¶ When thou art come into the land which

† Hebr. not to hearken.

Hosea. 13.11.e 14.9.

* Numb. 18.20. chap.10.9 * 1 Cor. 9.13.

† Hebr. his sales by the sale

Commandements, which I command thee this day.

6 For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee, and *thou shalt lend vnto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow, and thou shalt reigne ouer many nations, but they shall not reigne ouer thee.

*Chap. 28.12.

7 ¶ If there be among you a poore man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates, in thy land which the LORD thy God giueth thee, thou shalt not harden thy heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poore brother,

8 *But thou shalt open thine hand wide vnto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need in that which he wanteth.

*Mat. 5. 42. luke 6 34.

9 Beware † there be not a † thought in thy † wicked heart, saying, The seuenth yere, the yere of release is at hand, and thine eye be euill against thy poore brother, & thou giuest him nought, & he cry vnto ‡ LORD against thee, & it be sin vnto thee.

† Heb. words. † Heb. Belial. ‡ Heb. Iehouah.

10 Thou shalt surely giue him, and thine heart shall not be grieued when thou giuest vnto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in all thy workes, and in all that thou puttest thine hand vnto.

11 For the poore shall neuer cease out of the land: Therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide vnto thy brother, to thy poore, and to thy needy in the land.

12 ¶ And *if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman be sold vnto thee, and serue thee six yeeres, then in the seuenth yere thou shalt let him goe free from thee.

*Exod. 21.2. Ier. 34.14.

13 And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him goe away empty:

14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flocke, and out of thy floore, and out of thy wine-presse, of that wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee, thou shalt giue vnto him.

15 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.

16 And it shall be, if he say vnto thee, I will not goe away from thee, because hee loueth thee, and thine house, because he is well with thee:

17 *Then thou shalt take an aule, and thrust it through his eare vnto the doore, and hee shall be thy seruant for euer: and also vnto thy maid-seruant thou shalt doe likewise.

*Exod. 21.6.

18 It shall not seeme hard vnto thee when thou sendest him away free from thee: for he hath beene worth a double hired seruant vnto thee, in serning thee six yeeres: and the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in all that thou doest.

19 ¶ *All the firstling males that come of thy herd, and of thy flocke, thou shalt sanctifie vnto the LORD thy God: thou shalt doe no worke with the firstling of thy bullocke, nor sheare the firstling of thy sheepe.

*Exod. 34.19.

20 Thou shalt eate it before the LORD thy God yeere by yeere, in the place which the LORD shall chuse, thou and thy household.

21 *And if there be any blemish therein: *as if it be* lame, or blind, *or haue* any ill blemish, thou shalt not sacrifice it vnto the LORD thy God.

* Leuit. 22.20. chap. 17.1. ecclus. 35.12.

22 Thou shalt eate it within thy gates: the vncleane and the cleane person shall eate it alike, as the Roe-backe, and as the Hart.

23 *Onely thou shalt not eat the blood thereof: thou shalt powre it vpon the ground as water.

* Chap. 12.16.23.

CHAP. XVI.

1 The feast of the Passeouer 9 Of weekes: 13 Of Tabernacles. 16 Euery male must offer at the solemne feasts. 18 Of Iudges and officers. 21 Groues and images are forbidden.

OBserue *the moneth of Abib, and keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD thy God: for in the moneth of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.

* Exod. 12.1. & 13.4.

2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the Passeouer vnto the LORD thy God of the flocke, and the herd, in the *place which the LORD shall chuse to place his Name there.

* Deut. 12.5.

3 * Thou shalt eat no leuened bread with it: seuen dayes shalt thou eat vnleuened bread therewith, euen the bread of affliction, (for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haſt) that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt, all the dayes of thy life.

* Exod. 12.15. & 13.6. & 23.15. & 34.18.

4 *And there shall be no leuened bread seene with thee in all thy coasts seuen dayes: neither shall there any thing of the flesh which thou sacrificedst the first day at euen, remaine all night vntil the morning.

5 Thou mayest not sacrifice the Passeouer within any of the gates which the LORD thy God giueth thee,

6 But at the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse to place his Name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the Passeouer at euen, at the going downe of the Sunne, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.

7 And thou shalt roste, and eat it in the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse, and thou shalt turne in the morning, and goe vnto thy tents.

8 Sixe dayes thou shalt eat vnleuened bread, and on the ‡ seuenth day *shall be* a solemne assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no worke therein.

‡ Heb. Iehouah.

9 ¶ * Seuen weekes shalt thou number vnto thee: begin to number the seuen weekes from such time as thou beginnest *to put* the sickle to the corne.

* Deut. 16.9.

10 And thou shalt keepe the feast of weekes vnto the LORD thy God, with a tribute of a free offering of thine hand, which thou shalt giue vnto the LORD thy God, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee.

11 And thou shalt reioyce before the LORD thy God: thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy man-seruant, and thy maid-seruant, and the Leuite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherlesse, and the widow, that *are* among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his Name there.

12 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt obserue and do these Statutes.

13 ¶ Thou shalt obserue the feast of Tabernacles seuen dayes, after that thou haſt gathered in thy † corne and thy wine.

† Heb. floore.

14 And thou shalt reioyce in thy feast, thou and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy man-seruant, and thy maid-seruant, & the Leuite, the stranger, the fatherles, & the widow, that *are* within thy gates.

15 Seuen dayes shalt thou keepe a solemne feast vnto the LORD thy God, in the place which the LORD shall chuse: because the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in *all thy* increase, and in all the workes of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely reioyce.

16 ¶ Three times in a yeere shall all thy males appeare before the LORD thy God, in the place which hee shall chuse: in the feast of vnleuened bread, and in the feast of weekes, and in the feast of Tabernacles: and they shall not appeare before the LORD * empty.

* Exod. 23.15. & 34.20.

…ery man shall giue † as he is able, according
… blessing of the LORD thy God, which he
…giuen thee.
… Iudges and officers shalt thou make thee, in
… gates which the LORD thy God giueth thee
…wout thy tribes: and they shall iudge the peo-
…ith iust iudgement.
Thou shalt not wrest iudgement, thou shalt
…spect persons, * neither take a gift: for a gift
…blinde the eyes of the wise, and peruert the
…ds of the righteous.
That which is † altogether iust shalt thou
…w, that thou mayest liue, and inherit the land
… the LORD thy God giueth thee.
… Thou shalt not plant thee a groue of any
…mere vnto the Altar of the LORD thy God,
…h thou shalt make thee:
… Neither shalt thou set thee vp any ‖ image,
…h the LORD thy God hateth.

CHAP. XVII.

The things sacrificed must be sound. 2 Idolaters must be slaine. 8 Hard controuersies are to be determined by the Priests and Iudges. 12 The contemner of that determination must die. 14 The election and duty of a King.

…hou shalt not sacrifice vnto the LORD thy God, any bullocke, or ‖ sheepe, wherein is blemish, or any euill-fauouredneſſe: for that is an abomination vnto the LORD thy God.
… If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giueth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickednesse in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his couenant,
… and hath gone and serued other gods, & worshipped them, either the Sunne, or Moone, or any of the hoast of heauen, which I haue not commanded,
… and it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it, and enquired diligently, and behold, it is true, and the thing certaine, that such abomination is wrought in Israel:
… then shalt thou bring forth that man, or that woman (which haue committed that wicked thing) vnto thy gates, euen that man, or that woman, and shalt stone them with stones till they die.
… At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses shall he that is worthy of death, be put to death: but at the mouth of one witnesse he shall not be put to death.
… The hands of the witnesses shall be first vpon him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people: so thou shalt put the euill away from among you.
… If there arise a matter too hard for thee in iudgement, betweene blood and blood, betweene plea, and betweene stroke and stroke, being matters of controuersie within thy gates: then shalt thou arise, and get thee vp into the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse;
… And thou shalt come vnto the Priests the Leuites, and vnto the Iudge that shall be in those dayes, and enquire, and they shall shew thee the sentence of iudgement.
… And thou shalt doe according to the sentence which they of that place (which the LORD shall chuse) shall shew thee, and thou shalt obserue to doe according to all that they informe thee:
… According to the sentence of the law which they teach thee, and according to the iudgement which they shall tell thee, thou shalt doe: thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they shall shew thee, to the right hand, nor to the left hand.
… And the man that will doe presumptuously, † and will not hearken vnto the Priest (that standeth to minister there before the LORD thy God) or vnto the Iudge, euen that man shall die, and thou shalt put away the euill from Israel.
… And all the people shall heare, and feare, and doe no more presumptuously.
… When thou art come vnto the land which the LORD thy God giueth thee, and shalt possesse it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a King ouer me, like as all the nations that are about me:
… Thou shalt in any wise set him king ouer thee, whom the LORD thy God shall chuse. One from among thy brethren shalt thou set king ouer thee: thou mayest not set a stranger ouer thee, which is not thy brother.
… But he shall not multiply horses to himselfe, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said vnto you, Ye shall henceforth returne no more that way.
… Neither shall he multiply wiues to himselfe, that his heart turne not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himselfe siluer and gold.
… And it shall be when he sitteth vpon the throne of his kingdome, that he shall write him a copie of this Law in a booke, out of that which is before the Priests the Leuites.
… And it shall be with him, and he shall reade therein all the dayes of his life, that he may learne to feare the LORD his God, to keepe all the words of this Law, and these Statutes to doe them:
… That his heart be not lifted vp aboue his brethren, and that he turne not aside from the commandement, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his dayes in his kingdome; he, and his children in the midst of Israel.

CHAP. XVIII

1 The Lord is the Priests and Leuites inheritance. 3 The Priests due. 6 The Leuites portion. 9 The abominations of the nations are to be auoided. 15 Christ the Prophet is to be heard. 20 The presumptuous prophet is to die.

THE Priests, the Leuites, and all the tribe of Leui, * shall haue no part nor inheritance with Israel: they * shall eate the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.
… Therefore shall they haue no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD is their inheritance, as he hath said vnto them.
… And this shall be the Priests due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether it be oxe or sheepe: and they shall giue vnto the Priest the shoulder, and the two cheekes, and the maw.
… The first fruit also of thy corne, of thy wine, and of thy oyle, and the first of the fleece of thy sheepe shalt thou giue him.
… For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the Name of the LORD, him and his sonnes for euer.
… And if a Leuite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he sojourned, and come with all the desire of his mind vnto the place which the LORD shall chuse:
… Then hee shall minister in the Name of the LORD his God, as all his brethren the Leuites do, which stand there before the LORD.
… They shall haue like portions to eate, beside † that which commeth of the sale of his patrimony.
… When thou art come into the land which

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Hosea. 13.11.c 14.9.

* Numb. 18.20. chap.10.9 * 1 Cor. 9.13.

† Heb. his sales by the sale

the LORD thy God giueth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after ‖ abominations of those nations.

10 There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son, or his daughter, *to passe* thorow the fire, *or* that vseth diuination, *or* an obseruer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch,

11 * Or a charmer, or a counsulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a *Necromancer.

12 For all that doe these things, *are* an abomination vnto the LORD: and because of these abominations, the LORD thy God doth driue them out from before thee.

13 Thou shalt be perfect with ‖ LORD thy God.

14 For these nations which thou shalt ‖ possesse, hearkened vnto obseruers of times, and vnto diuiners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee *so to do.*

15 ¶ * The LORD thy God will raise vp vnto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like vnto me, vnto him ye shall hearken,

16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb, in the day of the assembly, saying, * Let me not heare againe the voyce of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not.

17 And the LORD said vnto me, they haue well *spoken* that which they haue spoken.

18 * I will raise them vp a Prophet from among their brethren, like vnto thee, and will put my words in his mouth, and he shal speake vnto them, all that I shall command him.

19 And it shall come to passe, that whosoeuer will not hearken vnto my words, which he shall speake in my Name, I will require *it* of him.

20 But the Prophet which shall presume to speak a word in my Name, which I haue not commanded him to speake, or that shall speake in the name of other gods, euen that Prophet shall die.

21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?

22 When a Prophet speaketh in the Name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to passe, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the Prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

CHAP. XIX.

1 The cities of refuge. 4 The priuiledge thereof for the manslayer. 14 The land-marke is not to be remoued. 15 Two witnesses at the least. 16 The punishment of a false witnesse.

WHen the LORD thy God * hath cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giueth thee, and thou ‖ succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses:

2 * Thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God giueth thee to possesse it.

3 Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and diuide the coasts of thy land, (which the LORD thy God giueth thee to inherite) into three parts, that euery slayer may flee thither.

4 ¶ And this is the case of the slayer which shall flee thither, that he may liue: who so killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he hated not ‖ in time past.

5 As when *a man* goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut downe the tree, and the head ‖ slippeth from the helue, and ‖ lighteth vpon his neighbour that he die, he shall flee vnto one of those cities, and liue:

6 Lest the auenger of the blood pursue the slayer while his heart is hot, and ouertake him, because the way is long, and ‖ slay him, whereas he was not worthy of death, inasmuch as he hated him not ‖ in time past.

7 Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee.

8 And if the LORD thy God enlarge thy coast (as he hath sworne vnto thy fathers) and giue thee all the land which he promised to giue vnto thy fathers:

9 (If thou shalt * keepe all these Commandments to doe them, which I command thee this day, to loue the LORD thy God, and to walke euer in his wayes) * then shalt thou adde three cities more for thee beside these three:

10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy land which the LORD thy God giueth thee for an inheritance, and so blood be vpon thee.

11 ¶ But if any man hate his neighbour, and lie in wait for him, and rise vp against him, and smite him ‖ mortally, that he die, and flee vnto one of these cities:

12 Then the Elders of his city shall send and fetch him thence, and deliuer him into the hand of the auenger of blood, that he may die.

13 Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou shalt put away *the guilt of* innocent blood from Israel, that it may goe well with thee.

14 ¶ Thou shalt not remoue thy neighbours marke, which they of old time haue set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherite in the land that the LORD thy God giueth thee to possesse it.

15 ¶ * One witnesse shall not rise vp against a man for any iniquity, or for any sinne, in any sinne that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses shall the matter be stablished.

16 ¶ If a false witnesse rise vp against any man to testifie ‖ against him *that which is* wrong:

17 Then both the men betweene whom the controuersie is, shal stand before the LORD, before the Priests and the iudges, which shall be in those dayes:

18 And the iudges shall make diligent inquisition: and behold, if the witnesse be a false witnesse, *and* hath testified falsely against his brother,

19 * Then shall ye doe vnto him, as he had thought to haue done vnto his brother: so shalt thou put the euill away from among you.

20 And those which remaine, shall heare, feare, and shall henceforth commit no more such euill among you.

21 And thine eye shall not pity, *but* life *shall* goe for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

CHAP. XX.

1 The Priests exhortation to encourage them to battell. 5 The officers proclamation who shall be dismissed from the warre. 10 How to deale with cities that accept or refuse the proclamation of peace. 16 What cities must be destroyed in the land. 19 Trees must not be destroyed in the siege.

WHen thou goest out to battell against thine enemies, and seest horses and chariots, *and* people more then thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee, which brought thee vp out of the land of Egypt.

2 And it shall be when ye are come nigh vnto battell, that the Priest shall approach and speake vnto the people,

3 And shall say vnto them, Heare, O Israel, ye approach this day vnto battell against your enemies: let not your hearts faint, feare not, and

* Leu. 18. 21.
* Leu. 20. 27.
* 1 Sam. 28. 7.
‖ Or, vpright, or sincere.
* Iohn. 1. 45 Act. 3. 22. & 7. 37.
* Exod. 20. 19.
* Iohn. 1. 45 Act. 3. 22. & 7. 37.
* Chap. 12. 29.
† Hebr. dwellest, or possessest.
* Exod. 21. 13. Num. 35. Ios. 20. Chap. 4.
† Hebr. from yesterday, the third day.
† Hebr. goeth.
† Hebr. head.
† Hebr. falleth.
* Chap. 17. 6. Num. 35. 30.
* Chap. 24. 16.
* Chap. 19. 19.

le neither be ye terrified because of them: for ‖ LORD your God *is to* ‖ goeth with you, ght for you against your enemies, to saue you.

And the officers shall speake vnto the people, saying, What man is there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him goe and returne to his house, lest he die in the battell, and another man dedicate it.

And what man is he that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not yet † eaten of it? let him also goe and returne vnto his house, lest he die in the battell, and another man eat of it.

And what man *is there* that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him goe and returne vnto his house, lest he die in battell, and another man take her.

And the officers shall speake further vnto the people, and they shal say: What man *is there* that is fearefull and faint-hearted? let him goe and returne vnto his house, lest his brethrens heart † faint as well as his heart.

And it shall be when the officers haue made an end of speaking vnto the people, that they shall make captaines of the armies to lead the people.

¶ When thou commest nigh vnto a city to fight against it, then proclaime peace vnto it.

And it shall be, if it make thee answere of peace, and open vnto thee, *then* it shall be *that* all the people that is found therein, shall be tributaries vnto thee, and they shall serue thee.

And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make warre against thee, then thou shalt besiege it.

And when the LORD thy God hath deliuered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite euery male thereof with the edge of the sword.

But the women and the little ones, and * the cattell, and all that is in the city, *euen* all the spoile thereof, shalt thou † take vnto thy selfe, and thou shalt eat the spoile of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath giuen thee.

Thus shalt thou doe vnto all the cities, which are very far off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations.

But of the cities of these people which the LORD thy God doth giue thee for an inheritance, thou shalt saue alyue nothing that breatheth:

But thou shalt vtterly destroy them, *namely*, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee:

That they teach you not to doe after all their abominations, which they haue done vnto their gods, so should ye sin against the LORD your God.

¶ When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, in making warre against it to take it, thou shalt not destroy the trees thereof, by forcing an axe against them: for thou mayest eat of them, and thou shalt not cut them downe (‖ for the tree of the field is (*Heb.*) † to employ them in the siege.

Only the trees which thou knowest that they be not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy, and cut them down, and thou shalt build bulwarkes against the city that maketh warre with thee, vntill † it be subdued.

CHAP. XXI.

The expiation of an vncertaine murder. 10 *The marriage of a captiue taken to wife.* 15 *The first borne is to be distinguished vpon priuate affection.* 18 *A rebellious sonne is to be stoned to death.* 22 *The malefactor must not hang all night on a tree.*

If one be found slaine in the land, which the LORD thy God giueth thee to possesse it, lying in the field, *and* it be not knowne who hath slaine him:

2 Then thy Elders and thy Iudges shall come forth, and they shall measure vnto the cities, which *are* round about him that is slaine.

3 And it shall be that the city which is next vnto the slaine man, *euen* the Elders of that city shall take an heifer which hath not been wrought with, *and* which hath not drawne in the yoke.

4 And the Elders of that city shall bring downe the heifer vnto a rough valley, which is neither eared nor sowne, and shall strike off the heifers necke there in the valley.

5 And the Priests the sonnes of Leui shall come neere (for them the LORD thy God hath chosen to minister vnto him, and to blesse in the Name of the LORD:) and by their † word shall euery controuersie and euery stroke be *tryed*. † *Heb.* mouth.

6 And all the Elders of that city that are next vnto the slaine man, shall wash their hands ouer the heifer that is beheaded in the valley.

7 And they shall answere and say, Our hands haue not shed this blood, neither haue our eyes seene *it*.

8 Be mercifull, O LORD, vnto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and lay not innocent blood † vnto thy people of Israels charge, and the blood shall be forgiuen them. † *Heb.* *in the midst.*

9 So shalt thou put away the *guilt of* innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt doe that which is right in the sight of the LORD.

10 ¶ When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, & the LORD thy God hath deliuered them into thine hands, and thou hast taken them captiue,

11 And seest among the captiues a beautifull woman, and hast a desire vnto her, that thou wouldest haue her to thy wife:

12 Then thou shalt bring her home vnto thine house, & she shal shaue her head, & pare her nailes: ‖ *Or,* *suffer to grow:* *Heb.* *make* *or dresse.*

13 And she shal put the raiment of her captiuity from off her, and shall remaine in thine house, and bewaile her father and her mother a full moneth: and after that, thou shalt goe in vnto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.

14 And it shall be if thou haue no delight in her, then ‖ thou shalt let her goe whither she will, but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, ‖ thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her.

15 ¶ If a man haue two wiues, *one* beloued, and another hated, and they haue borne him children, *both* the beloued and the hated: and if the first borne sonne be hers that was hated:

16 Then it shall be when he maketh his sons to inherite that which he hath, that he may not make the son of the beloued first borne before the sonne of the hated, *which is* indeed the first borne:

17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated for the first borne, by giuing him a double portion of all † that he hath: for he is the beginning of his strength, the right of the first borne is his. † *Heb.* *that is.*

18 ¶ If a man haue a stubborne and rebellious son, which will not obey the voyce of his father, or the voyce of his mother, and that when they haue chastened him, will not hearken vnto them:

19 Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out vnto the Elders of his city, and vnto the gate of his place: *sound*

20 And they shall say vnto the Elders of his city, This our sonne *is* stubborne and rebellious, he will not obey our voice: he *is* a glutton, and a drunkard.

21 And all ‖ men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put euil away from among you, and all Israel shall heare and feare.

22 ¶ And if a man haue committed a sinne worthy

Improbus. Dickens. 225.

wicked, Sawy, Rods Bast mat. 18. 15 to 22.

thy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree:

23 His body shall not remaine all night vpon the tree, but thou shalt in anywise bury him that day: for *he that is hanged, is† accursed of God: that thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giueth thee for an inheritance.

*Gal. 3.13 † Hebr. the curse of God.

CHAP. XXII.

1 Of humanity towards brethren. 5 The sex is to be distinguished by apparel. 6 The damm not to be taken with her young ones. 8 The house must haue battlements. 9 Confusion is to be auoided. 12 Fringes vpon the vesture. 13 The punishment of him that slandereth his wife. 20. 22 Of adultery. 25 Of rape. 28 and of fornication. 30 Incest.

*Exod. 23.4.

THou *shalt not see thy brothers oxe, or his sheepe goe astray, and hide thy selfe from them: thou shalt in any case bring them againe vnto thy brother.

2 And if thy brother be not nigh vnto thee, or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring it vnto thine owne house, and it shalbe with thee vntill thy brother seeke after it, and thou shalt restore it to him againe.

3 In like maner shalt thou doe with his asse, and so shalt thou doe with his raiment: and with all lost thing of thy brothers which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou doe likewise: thou mayest not hide thy selfe.

4 ¶ Thou shalt not see thy brothers asse, or his oxe fall down by the way, and hide thy selfe from them; thou shalt surely help him to lift them vp againe.

5 ¶ The woman shall not weare that which pertaineth vnto a man, neither shall a man put on a womans garment: for all that doe so, are abomination to the LORD thy God.

6 ¶ If a birds nest chance to be before thee in the way in any tree, or on the ground, whether they be young ones, or egges, and the dam sitting vpon the young, or vpon the egges, thou shalt not take the dam with the young.

7 But thou shalt in any wise let the dam goe, and take the young to thee, that it may be well with thee, and *that* thou mayest prolong *thy dayes*.

8 ¶ When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roofe, that thou bring not blood vpon thine house, if any man fall from thence.

9 ¶ Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with diuers seeds: lest the † fruit of thy seed which thou hast sowne, and the fruit of thy vineyard be defiled.

† Hebr. fulnesse of thy seed.

10 ¶ Thou shalt not plow with an oxe and an asse together.

11 ¶ Thou shalt not weare a garment of diuers sorts, as of woollen and linnen together.

*Leuit. 19.19. *Numb. 15.38. † Hebr. wings.

12 ¶ Thou shalt make thee *fringes vpon the foure †quarters of thy vesture, wherewith thou couerest *thy selfe*.

13 ¶ If any man take a wife, and goe in vnto her, and hate her,

14 And giue occasions of speech *against her*, and bring vp an euill name vpon her, and say, I tooke this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:

15 Then shall the father of the damsell, and her mother, take & bring forth ỹ tokens of ỹ damosels virginity, vnto the Elders of the city in the gate:

16 And the damosels father shall say vnto the Elders, I gaue my daughter vnto this man to wife, and he hateth her:

17 And loe, he hath giuen occasions of speech *against her*, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid: and yet these *are* the tokens of my daughters virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the Elders of the city.

18 And the Elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him.

19 And they shall amerse him in an hundred *sickels* of siluer, and giue them vnto the father of the damosell, because he hath brought vp an euill name vpon a virgine of Israel: and she shalbe his wife; he may not put her away all his dayes.

20 But if this thing be true, *and* the tokens of virginity be not found for the damosell:

21 Then they shall bring out the damosell to the doore of her fathers house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she die, because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her fathers house: so shalt thou put euill away from among you. *Iud. 20. 6. 10.*

22 ¶ * If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, *both* the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away euill from Israel.

23 ¶ If a damosell that is a virgin be betrothed vnto an husband, and a man finde her in the city, and lie with her:

24 Then ye shall bring them both out vnto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die: the damosell, because she cried not, *being* in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbours wife: so shalt put away euill from among you.

25 ¶ But if a man finde a betrothed damosell in the field, and the man force her, and lie with her: then the man onely that lay with her shall die.

26 But vnto the damosell thou shalt do nothing, there is in the damosell no sinne worthy of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth him, euen so is this matter.

27 For he found her in the field, and the betrothed damosell cried, & there was none to saue her.

28 ¶ * If a man finde a damosell that is a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found:

29 Then the man that lay with her, shall giue vnto the damosels father fifty *sickels* of siluer, and she shall be his wife, because he hath humbled her: he may not put her away all his dayes.

30 ¶ * A man shall not take his fathers wife, nor discouer his fathers skirt.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Who may, or who may not enter into the congregation. 9 Vncleannes to be auoided in the host. 15 Of the fugitiue seruant. 17 Of whoredom. 18 Of abominable sacrifices. 19 Of vsury. 21 Of vowes.

HE that is wounded in the stones, or hath his priuie member cut off, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

2 A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD: euen to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

3 * An Ammonite, or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD, euen to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the Congregation of the LORD for euer.

4 Because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt, and * because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of Mesopotamia to curse thee.

5 Neuertheless, the LORD thy God would not hearken vnto Balaam: but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing vnto thee, because the LORD thy God loued thee.

† The

…shalt not seeke their peace, nor their
…rity all thy dayes for euer.
…Thou shalt not abhorre an Edomite, for hee
…rother: thou shalt not abhorre an Egypti-
…ause thou wast a stranger in his land.
…e children that are begotten of them, shall
…o the Congregation of the LORD in their
…neration.
…When the hoste goeth foorth against thine e-
…then keepe thee from euery wicked thing.
…If there bee among you any man that is not
…by reason of vncleanesse that chanceth him
…t, then shall he goe abroad out of the campe,
…ll not come within ſ the campe.
…ut it shall be when euening † commeth on, he
…wash *himselfe* with water: and when the Sun
…ne, he shall come into the campe againe.
…Thou shalt haue a place also without the
…, whither thou shalt goe foorth abroad.
…nd thou shalt haue a paddle vpon thy wea-
…nd it shall be when thou † wilt ease thy selfe
…d, then shalt dig there with, and shalt turne
… and couer that which commeth from thee.
…For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst
…campe, to deliuer thee, and to giue vp thine
…es before thee: therefore shall thy campe be
…that he see † no vncleane thing in thee, and
…away from thee.
…Thou shalt not deliuer vnto his master, the
…e which is escaped frō his master vnto thee.
…He shall dwell with thee, euen among you, in
…place which he shall chuse, in one of thy gates
…it † liketh him best: thou shalt not oppresse
…
…There shall be no ſ whore of the daughters
…d, nor a Sodomite of the sonnes of Israel.
…Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or
…ice of a dog into the house of the LORD thy
…for any vow: for euen both these are abomi-
…nto the LORD thy God.
…* Thou shalt not lend vpon vsury to thy bro-
…vsury of money, vsury of victualls, vsury of
…ing that is lent vpon vsury.
…Vnto a stranger thou mayest lend vpon vsury,
…nto thy brother thou shalt not lend vpon vsu-
…that the LORD thy God may blesse thee in
…t thou settest thine hand to, in the land whi-
…thou goest to possesse it.
…* When thou shalt vow a vow vnto the
…D thy God, thou shalt not slacke to pay it;
…e LORD thy God will surely require it of
… and it would be sinne in thee.
…But if thou shalt forbeare to vow, it shall be
…e is thee.
…That which is gone out of thy lips, thou shalt
… and performe, *euen* a free will offring, accor-
…as thou hast vowed vnto the LORD thy God,
…which thou hast promised with thy mouth.
…¶ When thou commest into thy neighbours
…ard, then thou mayest eate grapes thy fill, at
…owne pleasure, but thou shalt not put *any* in
…ssell.
…When thou commest into the standing corne
…neighbours, * then thou mayest plucke the
…ith thine hand: but thou shalt not moone
… vnto thy neighbours standing corne.

CHAP. XXIIII.

Diuorce. ¶ *A new married man goeth not to*
warre. 6 *Of pledges.* 7 *Of man stealers.* 8 *Of le-*
prosy. 10 *The hire a poore man.* 16 *Of Iustice.*
…Then * a man hath taken a wife, and married
…her, and it come to pass that she find no fa-

…nour in his eyes, because he hath found some † vn-cleannesse in her: then let him write her a bill of † diuorcement, and giue it in her hand, and send her out of his house.

2 And when shee is departed out of his house, she may goe and be another mans *wife*.

3 And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bil of diuorcement, and giueth *it* in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house: Or if the latter husband die, which tooke her to be his wife,

4 Her former husband which sent her away, may not take her againe to be his wife, after that she *is* defiled: for that *is* abomination before the LORD, and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giueth thee for an inheritance.

5 ¶ * When a man hath taken a new wife, hee shall not goe out to warre, neither † shall he be charged with any businesse *that he* shall be free at home one yeere, and shall cheere vp his wife which he hath taken.

6 ¶ No man shall take the nether or the vpper millstone to pledge: for he taketh *a mans* life to pledge.

7 ¶ If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, & maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him: then that thiefe shall die, and thou shalt put euill away from among you.

8 ¶ Take heed in * the plague of leprosie, that thou obserue diligently, and doe according to all that the Priests the Lenites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall obserue to doe.

9 Remember what the LORD thy God did * vnto Miriam by the way, after that yee were come foorth out of Egypt.

10 ¶ When thou doest † lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not goe into his house to fetch his pledge.

11 Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou doest lend, shall bring out the pledge abroad vnto thee.

12 And if the man be poore, thou shalt not sleepe with his pledge:

13 In any case thou shalt deliuer him the pledge againe when the Sunne goeth downe, that he may sleepe in his owne raiment, and blesse thee: and it shall be righteousnesse vnto thee before the LORD thy God.

14 ¶ Thou shalt not oppresse an hired seruant *that is* poore and needy, *whether he be* of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that *are* in thy land within thy gates.

15 At his day * thou shalt giue *him* his hire, neither shall the Sun go downe vpon it, for he is poore, and † setteth his heart vpon it, lest he cry against thee vnto the LORD, and it be sinne vnto thee.

16 *The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: euery man shall be put to death for his owne sinne.

17 ¶ Thou shalt not pervert the iudgement of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherlesse, nor take a widowes raiment to pledge.

18 But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to doe this thing.

19 ¶ * When thou cuttest downe thy harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheafe in the field, thou shalt not goe againe to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherlesse, and for the widow; that the LORD thy God may blesse thee in all the worke of thine hands.

* When

† Hebr. matter of vnclean-nesse.
† Hebr. cutting off.
* Chap. 20.7.
† Hebr. not any thing shal passe vpon him.
* Numb. 12.10.
† Hebr. lend the loane of any thing to, &c.
* Leuit. 19.13. tob 4.14.
† Hebr. he lifteth his soule vnto it.
* 2 Kings 14.6. 2 chr. 25.4 ier. 31.30. ezek. 18.20.
* Leuit. 19.9. 23.22.

† Hebr. thou shalt not bow it after thee.

† Heb. after thee

30 When thou beatest thine Olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughes a∣gaine: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherlesse and for the widow.

31 When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vine-yard, thou shalt not glease it † afterward: it shalbe for the stranger, for the fatherles, & for the widow.

32 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I com∣mand thee to doe this thing.

CHAP. XXV.

*1 Stripes must not exceed forty. 4 The ox is not to be muzzled. 5 Of raising seed vnto a brother. 11 Of the immodest women. 13 Of vniust weights. 17 The memory of Amalek is to be blotted out.

IF there be a controuersie betweene men, and they come vnto iudgement, that the Iudges may iudge them, then they shall iustifie the righteous, and condemne the wicked.

2 And it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the iudge shall cause him to lie downe, and to bee beaten before his face according to his fault, by a certaine number.

*2 Cor. 11. 24.

3 * Fourty stripes he may giue him, and not ex∣ceed: lest if he should exceed, and beat him aboue these, with many stripes, then thy brother should seeme vile vnto thee.

*1 Cor. 9. 9. 1 tim. 5. 18.

4 ¶ * Thou shalt not muzzle the oxe when hee † treadeth out the corne.

† Hebr. threshe∣th

5 ¶ If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and haue no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without, vnto a stranger: her † husbands brother shall goe in vnto her, and take her to him to wife, and performe the dutie of an husbands bro∣ther vnto her.

* Matth. 22. 24. mar. 12. 19. luke 20. 28.

6 And it shall be that the first borne, which she beareth, shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.

‖ Or, next kinsman.

7 And if the man like not to take his ‖ brothers wife, then let his brothers wife goe vp to the gate, vnto the Elders and say, * My husbands brother re∣fuseth to raise vp vnto his brother a name in Israel: hee will not performe the duty of my husbands brother.

‖ Or, next kinsmans wife. * Ruth 3. 9.

8 Then the Elders of his city shall call him, and speake vnto him: and if hee stand to it, and say, I like not to take her:

9 Then shall his brothers wife come vnto him in the presence of the Elders, and loose his shooe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall an∣swere and say, So shall it be done vnto that man, that will not build vp his brothers house.

10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shooe loosed.

11 ¶ When men striue together one with ano∣ther, and the wife of the one draweth neere for to deliuer her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth foorth her hand, and ta∣keth him by the secrets.

12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pitie her.

† Hebr. a stone & a stone. † Hebr. an Ephah and an Ephah.

13 ¶ Thou shalt not haue in thy bagge † diuers weights: a great, and a small.

14 Thou shalt not haue in thine house † diuers measures, a great and a small.

15 But thou shalt haue a perfect and iust weight: a perfect and iust measure shalt thou haue, that thy dayes may bee lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giueth thee.

16 For all that doe such things, and all that doe vnrighteously, are an abomination vnto the LORD thy God.

* Exod. 17. 8.

17 ¶ * Remember what Amalek did vnto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of

18 How hee met thee by the way, and smote hindmost of thee, euen all that were feeble be∣hind thee, when thou wast faint and weary, and he feared not God.

19 Therefore it shall be when the LORD thy God hath giuen thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD thy God giueth thee for an inheritance to possesse it, thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from vnder heauen: thou shalt not forget it.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 The confession of him that offereth the first fruits. 12 The prayer of him that giueth the third yeeres tithes. 16 The Couenant betweene God and the people.

AND it shall be when thou art come in vnto the land which the LORD giueth thee for an in∣heritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein:

2 That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giueth thee, and shalt put it in a basket, & shalt goe vnto the place which the LORD thy God shall chuse to place his Name in.

3 And thou shalt goe vnto the Priest that shall be in those daies, and say vnto him, I profess this day vnto the LORD thy God, that I am come into the country which the LORD sware vnto our fa∣thers for to giue vs.

4 And the Priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it downe before the Altar of the LORD thy God.

5 And thou shalt speake, and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian ready to perish, was my father, and he went downe into Egypt, and sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous.

6 And the Egyptians euill intreated vs, and af∣flicted vs, and laid vpon vs hard bondage.

7 And when we cryed vnto the LORD God of our Fathers, the LORD heard our voice and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression.

8 And the LORD brought vs forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an out stretched arme, and with great terriblenesse, and with signes and with wonders.

9 And hee hath brought vs into this place, and hath giuen vs this land, euen a land that flowes with milke and honey.

10 And now behold, I haue brought the first fruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast giuen me: and thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God.

11 And thou shalt reioyce in euery good thing which the LORD thy God hath giuen vnto thee, and vnto thine house, thou and the Leuite, and the stran∣ger that is among you.

12 ¶ When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine increase, the third yeere, which is * the yeere of tithing, and hast giuen it vnto the Leuite, the stranger, the fatherlesse, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates and be filled.

13 Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I haue brought away the hallowed things out of mine house, and also haue giuen them vnto the Le∣uite, and vnto the stranger, to the fatherlesse, and to the widow, according to all thy Commande∣ments, which thou hast commaded me: I haue not transgressed thy Commandements, neither haue I forgotten them.

14 I haue not eaten thereof in my mourning, nei∣ther haue I taken away ought thereof for any

…nor giuen ought thereof for the dead,
…hearkened to the voyce of the LORD
…hane done according to all that then
…ended me.
…he downe from thy holy habitation from
…d bleſſe thy people Iſrael, and the land
…haſt giuen vs, as thou ſwareſt vnto our
…and that floweth with milke and hony.
…is day the LORD thy God hath comman-
…de doe theſe Statutes and Iudgements:
…therefore keepe and doe them with all
…, and with all thy ſoule.
…haſt auouched the LORD this day to
…d, and to walke in his wayes, and to
…Statutes, and his Commandements, and
…ments, and to hearken vnto his voyce.
…d *the LORD hath auouched thee this
…his peculiar people, as he hath promiſed
…d that thou ſhouldeſt keepe all his Com-
…nts:
…to make thee high aboue all nations,
…hath made, in praiſe, and in name and in
…and that thou mayeſt bee an holy people
…LORD thy God, as he hath ſpoken.

CHAP. XXVII.

The people are commanded to write the Law vpon Altars. 9 *And to build an Altar of whole ſtones.* *The tribes diuided on Gerizzim and Ebal.* *Curſes pronounced on mount Ebal.*

…oſes with the Elders of Iſrael, comman-
…the people, ſaying Keepe all the Com-
…ments which I commande you this day.
…it ſhall be on the day * when you ſhall
…Iordan, vnto the land which the LORD
…iueth thee, that thou ſhalt ſet thee vp
…nes, and plaiſter them with plaiſter:
…thou ſhalt write vpon them all the words
…w when thou art paſſed ouer, that thou
…e in vnto the land, which the LORD thy
…th thee, a land that floweth with milke
…, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath
…thee.
…fore it ſhall be when ye be gone ouer
…that ye ſhall ſet vp theſe ſtones, which
…de you this day in mount Ebal, and thou
…lter them with plaiſter.
…here ſhalt thou build an Altar vnto the
…God, an Altar of ſtones: * thou ſhalt not
…y yron tooles vpon them.
…ſhalt build the Altar of the LORD thy
…whole ſtones: and thou ſhalt offer burnt
…thereon vnto the LORD thy God.
…thou ſhalt offer peace offerings, and ſhalt
…, and reioyce before the LORD thy God.
…thou ſhalt write vpon the ſtones, all the
…this Law very plainely.
…d Moſes, and the Prieſts, the Leuites,
…all Iſrael, ſaying, Take heed, and hearken,
…this day thou art become the people of the
…y God.
…ſhalt therefore obey the voyce of the
…God, and doe his Commandements, and
…e which I commande thee this day.
…Moſes charged the people the ſame day,

…ſhall ſtand vpon mount Gerizzim to
…people, when ye are come ouer Iordan:
…of Leui, and Iudah, and Machar, and Io-
…Beniamin.
…theſe ſhall ſtand vpon mount Ebal † to
…ſe, Gad, and Aſher, and Zebulun, Dan,
…tali.

14 ¶ And * the Leuites ſhall ſpeake, and ſay vnto all the men of Iſrael with a loud voyce: * Dan. 9.11.

15 Curſed *bee* the man that maketh any grauen or molten image, an abomination vnto the LORD, the worke of the hands of the craftſman, and puteth *it* in a ſecret place: and all the people ſhall anſwere, and ſay, Amen.

16 Curſed *be* hee that ſetteth light by his father or his mother: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

17 Curſed *be* he that remoueth his neighbours land-marke: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

18 Curſed *bee* he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

19 Curſed *bee* hee that peruerteth the iudgement of the ſtranger, fatherleſſe, and widow: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

20 Curſed *bee* he that lieth with his fathers wife, becauſe hee vncouereth his fathers skirt: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

21 Curſed *bee* hee that lieth with any manner of beaſt: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

22 Curſed *bee* hee that lieth with his ſiſter, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

23 Curſed *bee* hee that lieth with his mother in law: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

24 Curſed *be* he that ſmiteth his neighbor ſecretly: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

25 * Curſed *be* he that taketh reward to ſlay an innocent perſon: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen. * Erek. 22.12. * Gal. 3. 10.

26 * Curſed *bee* hee that confirmeth not all the words of this Law to doe them: and all the people ſhall ſay, Amen.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 *The bleſſings for obedience,* 15 *The curſes for diſobedience.*

AND it ſhall come to paſſe * if thou ſhalt hearken diligently vnto the voice of the LORD thy God, to obſerue *and* to doe all his commandements which I commande thee this day, that the LORD thy God will ſet thee on high aboue all nations of the earth. * Leuit. 26.3.

2 And all theſe bleſſings ſhall come on thee and ouertake thee, if thou ſhalt hearken vnto the voyce of the LORD thy God.

3 Bleſſed *ſhalt* thou *bee* in the city, and bleſſed *ſhalt* thou *bee* in the field.

4 Bleſſed *ſhall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattell, the increaſe of thy kine, and the flockes of thy ſheepe.

5 Bleſſed *ſhalbe* thy basket and thy ‖ ſtore. ‖ Or, dough, or kneading troughes.

6 Bleſſed *ſhalt* thou *bee* when thou commeſt in, and bleſſed *ſhalt* thou *bee* when thou goeſt out.

7 The LORD, ſhall cauſe thine enemies that riſe vp againſt thee, to be ſmitten before thy face; they ſhall come out againſt thee one way, and flee before thee ſeuen wayes.

8 The LORD ſhall command the bleſſing vpon thee in thy ‖ ſtorehouſes, and in all that thou ſetteſt thine hand vnto, and hee ſhall bleſſe thee in the land which the LORD thy God giueth thee. ‖ Or, barnes

9 The LORD ſhall eſtabliſh thee an holy people vnto himſelfe, as he hath ſworne vnto thee, if thou ſhalt keepe the commandements of the LORD thy God, and walke in his wayes.

10 And all people of the earth ſhall ſee that thou art called by the Name of the LORD, and they ſhall be afraid of thee. * Chap. 26.10. Or, for good.

11 And the * LORD ſhall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy ‖ body, and in the fruit of thy cattell, and in the fruit of thy ground ‖ Heb. belly.

in the land which the LORD sware vnto thy fathers to giue thee.

12 The LORD shall open vnto thee his good treasure, the heauen to giue the raine vnto thy land in his season, and to blesse all the worke of thine hand: and * thou shalt lend vnto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

* Chap. 15.6.

13 And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the taile, and thou shalt bee aboue onely, and thou shalt not bee beneath: if that thou hearken vnto the Commandements of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to obserue, and to doe them.

14 And thou shalt not goe aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to goe after other gods to serue them.

15 ¶ But it shall come to passe, * if thou wilt not hearken vnto the voyce of the LORD thy God, to obserue to doe all his Commandements and his Statures, which I command thee this day, that all those curses shall come vpon thee, and ouertake thee.

* Leuit. 26.14. Iam. 3.17 mal. 2.2. Baruch 1.20.

16 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.

17 Cursed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.

18 Cursed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flockes of thy sheepe.

Leuit. 26.16. Deut. 28.13.

19 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.

20 The LORD shall send vpon thee cursing vexation, and rebuke in all that thou setteſt thine hand vnto † for to doe, vntill thou be destroyed, and vntill thou perish quickly because of the wickednesse of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

† Hebr. which thou wouldest doe.

21 The LORD shall make the pestilence cleaue vnto thee, vntill hee haue consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possesse it.

22 * The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a feuer, and with an inflammation, and with an extreame burning, and with the ‖ sword and with blasting, and with mildewe: and they shall pursue thee vntill thou perish.

* Leuit. 26.16. ‖ Or, drought.

23 And the heauen that is ouer thy head shall be braſſe, and the earth that is vnder thee *shall be* yron.

24 The LORD shall make the raine of thy land powder and dust: from heauen shall it come downe vpon thee, vntill thou be destroyed.

25 The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt goe out one way against them, and flee seuen wayes before them, and shalt bee † removed into all the kingdomes of the earth.

† Hebr. for a remouing.

26 And thy carkiese shall be meat vnto all foules of the aire, and vnto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray *them* away.

27 The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the Emerods, & with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed.

28 The LORD shall smite thee with madneſſe, and blindneſſe, and astonishment of heart.

29 And thou shalt grope at noone dayes, as the blind gropeth in darkneſſe, and thou shalt not prosper in thy wayes: and thou shalt be only oppressed, and spoyled euermore, and no man shal saue thee.

* Chap. 20.6. † Hebr. profane, or vse as common meate.

30 Thou shalt betrothe a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: * thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not † gather the grapes thereof.

31 Thine oxe shall bee slaine before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat there of: thine asse shall bee violently taken away from before thy face, and † shall not be restored to thee: thy sheepe shall be giuen vnto thine enemies, and thou shalt haue none to rescue *them*.

32 Thy sonnes and thy daughters shall be giuen vnto another people, and thine eyes shall looke and faile with longing for them all the day long: and there shall be no might in thine hand.

33 The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not, eat vp: and thou shalt bee onely oppressed, and crushed alway.

34 So that thou shalt be mad, for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

35 The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the leggs with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot, vnto the top of thine head.

36 The LORD shall bring thee and thy king which thou shalt set ouer thee, vnto a nation which neither thou, nor thy Fathers haue known: and there shalt thou serue other gods, wood and stone.

37 And thou shalt become * an astonishment, a prouerbe, and a by-word, among all nations whither the LORD shall leade thee.

38 * Thou shalt carrie much seed out into the field, and shalt gather but little in: for the locust shall consume it.

39 Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dresse *them*, but shalt neither drinke of the wine, nor gather the *grapes*: for the wormes shall eat them.

40 Thou shalt haue oliue-trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thy selfe* with the oyle: for thine oliue shall cast *his fruit*.

41 Thou shalt beget sonnes and daughters, but † thou shalt not enioy them: for they shall go into captiuity.

42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the ‖ locusts consume.

43 The stranger that is within thee, shall get vp aboue thee very high: and thou shalt come downe very low.

44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: hee shall be the head, and thou shalt be the taile.

45 Moreouer, all these curses shall come vpon thee, and shall pursue thee, and ouertake thee, till thou be destroyed: because thou hearkenedst not vnto the voyce of the LORD thy God, to keepe his Commandements, and his Statutes which he commanded thee.

46 And they shall bee vpon thee for a signe and for a wonder, and vpon thy seed for euer.

47 Because thou seruedst not the LORD thy God with ioyfulneſſe, and with gladneſſe of heart, for the abundance of all things.

48 Therefore shalt thou serue thine enemie which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirſt, and in nakednesse, and in want of all things: and hee shall put a yoke of yron vpon thy necke, vntill hee haue destroyed thee.

49 The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from farre, from the end of the earth, as swift as the Eagle fleeth, a nation whose tongue thou shalt not † vnderstand:

50 A nation † of fierce countenance, which will not regard the person of the old, nor shew fauour to the young.

51 And he shall eate the fruit of thy cattell, and the fruit of thy land, vntill thou be destroyed: who also shall not leaue thee *either* corne, wine, or oyle, *or* the increase of thy kine, or flockes of thy sheepe, vntill hee haue destroyed thee.

52 And he shal besiege thee in all thy gates, vntil thy high and fenced walles come downe, wherein

…ndeth thee, thou wont all thy Land: and he shall
…e thee in all thy gates, throwout all thy
…which the LORD thy God hath giuen thee.
…And * thou shalt eate the fruit of thine owne
…, the flesh of thy sonnes, and of thy daughters
…th the LORD thy God hath giuen thee) in the
…, and in the straitnesse wherewith thine ene-
…shall distresse thee.
So that the man that is tender among you,
…ery delicate, his eyes shall be euill toward
…rother, and toward the wife in his bosome,
…towards the remnant of his children which he
…leaue:
So that he will not giue to any of them of the
…of his children, whom hee shall eate: because
…ath nothing left him in the siege, and in the
…nesse wherewith thine enemies shall distresse
…in all thy gates.
The tender and delicate woman among you,
…would not aduenture to set the sole of her
…pon the ground, for delicatenesse and tender-
…her eyes shall bee euill towards the husband
…bosome, and towards her sonne, and towards
…aughter, Ez. 24. 16.
And towards her † young one that commeth
…om betweene her feet, and towards her chil-
…which she shall beare: for she shall eat them
…ant of all things secretly in the siege and
…esse, wherewith thy enemy shal distresse thee
…gates.
If thou wilt not obserue to doe all the words
…s Law, that are written in this Booke, that
…mayest feare this glorious and fearefull
…, THE LORD THY GOD.
Then the LORD will make thy plagues won-
…ll, and the plagues of thy seed, *euen* great
…s, and of long continuance, and sore sicke-
…, and of long continuance.
Moreouer, he will bring vpon thee all the dis-
…s of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of, and they
…leaue vnto thee.
Also euery sickenesse, and euery plague which
…s written in the Booke of this Law, them
…e LORD † bring vpon thee, vntill thou be
…ed.
And yee shall be left few in number, whereas
…e * as the starres of heauen for multitude:
…e thou would'st not obey the voyce of the
…D thy God.
And it shall come to passe, *that* as the LORD
…ced ouer you to doe you good, and to multiply
…u: the LORD will reioyce ouer you to destroy
…nd to bring you to nought: and yee shall be
…d from off the land whither thou goest to
…it.
And the LORD shall scatter thee among all
…e from the *one* end of the earth, euen vnto the
…and there thou shalt serue other gods, which
… thou nor thy fathers haue knowne, *euen*
…od stone.
And among these nations shalt thou find no
…either shall the sole of thy foot haue rest:
…LORD shall giue thee there a trembling
…and failing eyes, and sorrow of mind.
And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee,
…u shalt feare day and night, and shalt haue
…rance of thy life.
In the morning thou shalt say, Would God
…Euen: and at Euen thou shalt say, Would
…were morning, for the feare of thine heart
…ith thou shalt feare, and for the sight of
…es which thou shalt see.

68 And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt
againe, with ships, by the way whereof I spake vn-
to thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: & there
yee shall be sold vnto your enemies for bond-men,
and bond-women, and no man shall buy *you*.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 *Moses exhorteth them to obedience by the
memory of the workes they haue seene.* 10 *All
are presented before the Lord to enter into his Co-
uenant.* 18 *The great wrath on him that flatte-
reth himselfe in his wickednesse.* 29 *Secret things
belong vnto God.*

THese *are* the words of the Couenant, which
the LORD commanded Moses to make with
the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside
the Couenant which he made with them in Horeb.
2 ¶ And Moses called vnto all Israel, and said vn-
to them, * Ye haue seene all that the LORD did be- * Exod.
fore your eyes in the land of Egypt, vnto Pharaoh, 19.4.
and vnto all his seruants, and vnto all his land:
3 The great temptations, which thine eyes haue
seene, the signes, and those great miracles:
4 Yet the LORD hath not giuen you an heart to
perceiue, and eyes to see, and eares to heare, vnto
this day.
5 And I haue led you fourty yeeres in the wil-
dernesse: your clothes are not waxen old vpon you,
and thy shooe is not waxen old vpon thy foot.
6 Yee haue not eaten bread, neither haue you
drunke wine or strong drinke: that ye might know
that I am the LORD your God.
7 And when yee came vnto this place, Sihon the
King of Heshbon, and Og the King of Bashan, came
out against vs vnto battell, and we smote them.
8 And wee tooke their land, and gaue it for an
inheritance vnto the Reubenites, and to the Ga-
dites, and to the halfe tribe of Manasseh.
9 * Keepe therefore the words of this Couenant, * Chap.
and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye doe. 4.6.
10 ¶ Yee stand this day all of you before the 1 kin.2.2.
LORD your God: your captaines of your tribes, Iosh.1.7.
your Elders, and your officers, *with* all the men of
Israel,
11 Your little ones, your wiues, and thy stranger
that is in thy campe, from the hewer of thy wood,
vnto the drawer of thy water:
12 That thou shouldest † enter into Couenant † Hebr.
with the LORD thy God, and into his oath which Passe.
the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day:
13 That he may establish thee to day for a people
vnto himselfe, and that he may be vnto thee a God,
as he hath said vnto thee, and as he hath sworne vn-
to thy Fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Iacob.
14 Neither with you only doe I make this Co-
uenant, and this Oath:
15 But with him that standeth here with vs this
day, before the LORD our God, and also with him
that *is* not here with vs this day:
For ye know how we haue dwelt in the land
of Egypt, and how wee came thorow the nations
which ye passed by:
17 And yee haue seene their abominations, and
their † idoles, wood, and stone, siluer, and gold, † Hebr.
which were amongst them.) dunghe
18 Lest there should bee among you man or wo- gods.
man, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away
this day from the LORD our God, to goe *and* serue [Or, a
the gods of these nations: lest there should be a- poisonfull
mong you a root that beareth gal and wormwood. herbe.
19 And it came to passe when he heareth ‡ words [heb. Rosh,
of this curse, that he blesse himself in his heart, say- Or, stub-
ing, I shal haue peace, though I walk in the imagi- borne.
nation

†Heb. the drunken to the thirsty.

nations of mine heart, to adde †drunkennes to thirst:
20 The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD, and his ielousie shall smoake against that man, and all the curses that are written in this booke shal lie vpon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from vnder heauen.
21 And the LORD shall separate him vnto euill, out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the Couenant, that †are written in this booke of the Law:

†Heb. written.

22 So that the generation to come of your children, that shall rise vp after you, and the stranger that shall come from a farre land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses †which the LORD hath laid vpon it:

†Heb. wherewith the LORD hath made it sicke.

23 And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning, that it is not sowne, nor beareth, nor any grasse groweth therein, *like the ouerthrow of Sodome and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD ouerthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:

*Gen. 19. 24, 25. *Esa. 13. 19. Ier. 50. 40. Amos 4. 11.

24 Euen all nations shall say, *Wherefore hath the LORD done thus vnto this land? what meaneth the heat of this great anger?

25 Then men shall say, Because they haue forsaken the Couenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them, when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

26 For they went and serued other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and †whom he had not giuen vnto them.

†Heb. diuided, or who had not giuen to them any portion.

27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring vpon it all the curses that are written in this booke.
28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land, in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as it is this day.
29 The secret things *belong* vnto the LORD our God: but those things which are reuealed, *belong* vnto vs, and to our children for euer, that we may doe all the words of this Law.

CHAP. XXX.

1 Great mercies promised vnto the repentant. 11 *The Commandement is manifest.* 15 *Death and life are set before them.*

AND it shal come to passe when all these things are come vpon thee, the blessing, and the curse which I haue set before thee, and thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations whither the LORD thy God hath driuen thee,
2 And shalt returne vnto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voyce according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soule:
3 That then the LORD thy God will turne thy captiuity, and haue compassion vpon thee, and will returne and gather thee from all the nations whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.
4 *If any of thine be driuen out vnto the outmost parts of heauen, from thence will LORD thy God gather thee, & from thence will he fetch thee.
5 And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possesse it: and he will do thee good, and multiply thee aboue thy fathers.
6 And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to loue the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule, that thou mayest liue.
7 And the LORD thy God will put all these curses vpon thine enemies, and vpon them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.
8 And thou shalt returne and obey the voyce of the LORD, and doe all his Commandements which I command thee this day.
9 *And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in euery worke of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land for good: for the LORD will againe reioyce ouer thee for good, as he reioyced ouer thy fathers.
10 If thou shalt hearken vnto the voyce of the LORD thy God, to keepe his Commandements and his Statutes which are written in this booke of the Law, *and* if thou turne vnto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule.
11 ¶ For this Commandement which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it farre off.
12 *It is not in heauen, that thou should say, Who shall goe vp for vs to heauen, and bring it vnto vs, that we may heare it, and doe it?
13 Neither *is it* beyond the sea, that thou should say, Who shall goe ouer the sea for vs, and bring it vnto vs, that we may heare it, and doe it?
14 But the word is very nigh vnto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest doe it.
15 ¶ See, I haue set before thee this day, life and good, and death, and euill:
16 In that I command thee this day, to loue the LORD thy God, to walke in his wayes, and to keepe his Commandements, and his Statutes, and his Iudgements, that thou mayest liue and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall blesse thee in the land, whither thou goest to possesse it.
17 But if thine heart turne away, so that thou wilt not heare, but shalt be drawen away, and worship other gods, and serue them:
18 I denounce vnto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your dayes vpon the land whither thou passest ouer Iordan to goe to possesse it.
19 *I call heauen and earth to record this day against you, that I haue set before you life and death, blessing, and cursing: therefore chuse life, that both thou and thy seed may liue:
20 That thou mayest loue the LORD thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voyce, and that thou mayest cleaue vnto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy dayes, that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware vnto thy fathers, Abraham, to Isaac, and to Iacob, to giue them.

CHAP. XXXI.

1 Moses encourageth the people, 7 & the Priests, 9 He deliuereth the Law vnto the Priests, to read it in the seuenth yeere in the feast of Tabernacles. 14 *God giueth a charge to Iosua.* 19 *and to testifie against the people.* 24 *Moses deliuereth the booke of the Law to the Leuites to keepe it.* 30 *maketh a protestation to the Elders.*

AND Moses went and spake these words vnto all Israel.
2 And he said vnto them, I am an hundred and twenty yeeres old this day; I can no more goe out and come in: also the LORD hath said vnto me, *Thou shalt not goe ouer this Iordan.
3 The LORD thy God, he will goe ouer before thee, *and* he will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possesse them: *and* Iosua he shall goe ouer before thee, *as the LORD hath said.
4 And the LORD shall doe vnto them as he did to Sihon, and to Og kings of the Amorites, and vnto the land of them whom he destroyed.

and * the LORD shall giue them vp before face, that yee may doe vnto them according all the Commandements which I haue com-ed you.

e strong, and of a good courage, feare not, nor raid of them: for the LORD thy God, he *it is* oeth goe with thee, hee will not faile thee, rsake thee.

And Moses called vnto Ioshua, and said vnto in the sight of all Israel, Be strong, and of a courage: for thou must goe with this people he land which the LORD hath *s*worne vnto fathers to giue them, and thou shalt cause to inherite it.

and the LORD, he *it is* that doth goe before he will be with thee, he will not faile thee, r forsake thee: feare not, neither bee dis-.

And Moses wrote this Law, and deliuered o the Priests the sonnes of Leui, which bare rke of the Couenant of the LORD, and vnto Elders of Israel.

nd Moses commanded them, saying, At the *end* seuen yeeres, in the solemnity of the r of release, in the feast of Tabernacles,

When all Israel is come to appeare before RD thy God, in the place which hee shall thou shalt read this Law before all Israel, r hearing.

ther the people together, men, and women, ldren, and thy stranger that *is* within thy that they may heare, and that they may and feare the LORD your God, and obserue all the words of this Law:

nd *that* their children which haue not *any thing*, may heare, and learne to feare RD your God, as long as ye liue in the land, ye goe ouer Iordan to possesse it.

And the LORD said vnto Moses, Behold, rs approach, that thou must dye: call Ioshua, ent your selues in the Tabernacle of the ction, that I may giue him a charge. And d Ioshua went and presented themselues Tabernacle of the Congregation.

d the LORD appeared in the Tabernacle, in of a cloud: and the pillar of the cloud stood ance of the Tabernacle.

And the LORD said vnto Moses, Behold, lt sleepe with thy fathers, and this people e vp and goe a whoring after the gods of gers of the land, whither they goe *to be* them, and will forsake me, and breake my e which I haue made with them,

en my anger shall be kindled against them ay, and I will forsake them, and I will hide from them, and they shall be deuoured, and ils, and troubles shall †befall them, so that ll say in that day, Are not these euils come because our God is not amongst vs?

and I will surely hide my face in that day, he euils which they shall haue wrought, in y are turned vnto other gods.

w therefore write ye this song for you, and the children of Israel: put it in their o that this song may be a witnesse for mee ne children of Israel.

when I shall haue brought them into the d I sware vnto their fathers, that floweth ney and honey; and they shall haue eaten themselues, and waxen fat, then will they o other gods, and serue them, and pro-nd break my Couenant.

21 And it shall come to passe, when many euils and troubles are befallen them, that this song shall testifie † against them as a witnesse: for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouthes of their seed: for I know their imagination, which they † goe about euen now, before I haue brought them into the land, which I sware.

22 ¶ Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel.

23 And he gaue Ioshua the son of Nun, a charge, & said, * Be strong, and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I sware vnto them: and I will be with thee.

24 ¶ And it came to passe when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this Law in a booke, vntill they were finished,

25 That Moses commanded the Leuites, which bare the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, saying,

26 Take this booke of the Law, and put it in the side of the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witnesse against thee.

27 For I know thy rebellion and thy stiffe necke: Behold, while I am yet aliue with you this day, yee haue beene rebellious against the LORD; and how much more after my death?

28 ¶ Gather vnto mee all the Elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speake these words in their eares, and call heauen and earth to record against them.

29 For I know that after my death yee will vtterly corrupt *your selues*, and turne aside from the way which I haue commanded you: and euill will befall you in the latter dayes, because yee will doe euill in the sight of the LORD, to prouoke him to anger through the worke of your hands.

30 And Moses spake in the eares of all the Congregation of Israel the words of this Song, vntill they were ended.

CHAP. XXXII.

1 Moses song, which setteth foorth Gods mercie and vengeance. 46 He exhorteth them to set their hearts vpon it. 48 God sendeth him vp to mount Nebo to see the land and die.

GIue eare, O ye heauens, and I will speake; and heare, O earth, the words of my mouth.

2 My doctrine shall drop as the raine, my speech shall distill as the dew, as the small raine vpon the tender herbe, and as the showres vpon the grasse.

3 Because I will publish the Name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatnesse vnto our God.

4 *He is* the rocke, his worke *is* perfect: for all his wayes *are* iudgement: A God of truth, and without iniquitie, iust and right *is* he.

5 †They haue corrupted themselues, [their spot is not *the spot* of his children: *they are* a peruerse and crooked generation.

6 Doe ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people, and vnwise? Is not he thy Father *that* hath bought thee? Hath he not made thee, and established thee?

7 ¶ Remember the dayes of old, consider the yeeres of many generations: aske thy father, & he will shew thee; thy Elders, and they will tell thee.

8 When the most High diuided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sonnes of Adam, hee set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.

9 For the LORDS portion *is* his people: Iacob *is* the † lot of his inheritance.

10 He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling

** Iosh. 1. 6.*

† Hebr. testifie before.

† Hebr. dot.

† Hebr. he hath corrupted to him-self. Or, that they are not his children, that is, their blot.

† Hebr. generation, and generation.

† Hebr. emptie

‖Or, compassed him about

howling wildernesse: he ‖led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.

11 As an Eagle stirreth vp her nest, fluttereth ouer her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:

12 So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

13 He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields, and he made him to suck honey out of the rocke, and oyle out of the flinty rocke.

14 Butter of kine, and milke of sheepe, with fat of lambes, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat, and thou didst drinke the pure blood of the grape.

15 ¶ But Iesurun waxed fat, and kicked: Thou art waxen fat, thou art growne thick, thou art couered *with fatnesse*: then he forsooke God, *which* made him, & lightly esteemed the rocke of his saluation.

16 They prouoked him to iealousie with strange *gods*, with abominations prouoked they him to anger.

‖Or, which were no God.

17 They sacrificed vnto deuils, ‖ not to God: to gods whom they knew not, to new *gods*, *that* came newly vp, whom your fathers feared not.

18 Of the Rock that begat thee, thou art vnmindfull, and hast forgotten God that formed thee.

‖Or, despised.

19 And when the LORD saw it hee ‖ abhorred *them*, because of the prouoking of his sonnes, and of his daughters.

20 And he said, I will hide my face from them; I will see what their end *shall be*: for they *are* a very froward generation, children in whom is no faith.

21 They haue moued me to iealousie, with *that which* is not God, they haue prouoked me to anger with their vanities: and *I will moue them to iealousie with *those which are* not a people, I will prouoke them to anger with a foolish nation.

*Rom. 10. 9.

‖Or, hath burned. ‖Or, hath consumed

22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and ‖ shall burne vnto the lowest hell, and ‖ shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountaines.

23 I will heape mischiefes vpon them, I will spend mine arrowes vpon them.

†Hebr. burning coales.

24 *They shalbe* burnt with hunger, and deuoured with † burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts vpon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust.

†Hebr. from the chambers

25 The sword without, and terrour † within shall † destroy both the young man, and the virgin, the suckling *also* with the man of gray haires.

†Hebr. perceant.

26 I said, I would scatter them into corners; I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men:

27 Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their aduersaries should behaue themselues strangely, *and* lest they should say, ‖ Our hand is high, and the LORD hath not done all this.

‖Or, our high hand, and not the LORD hath done all this.

28 For they are a nation void of counsell, neither is there any vnderstanding in them.

29 O that they were wise, that they vnderstood this, that they would consider their latter end.

*Iosh. 23. 10.

30 How should *one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rocke had sold them, and the LORD had shut them vp?

‖Or, in worse then the vine of Sodom, &c.

31 For their Rocke is not as our Rocke, euen our enemies themselues being Iudges.

32 For their vine is ‖ of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes *are* grapes of gall, their clusters *are* bitter.

33 Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruell venime of aspes.

34 Is not this laid vp in store with me, and sealed vp among my treasures?

35 To me belongeth *vengeance and recompence, their foot shall slide in due time: for the day of their calamity is at hand, and the things that shall come vpon them, make haste.

36 For the LORD shall iudge his people, and repent himselfe for his seruants, when he seeth that *their* † power is gone, and there is none shut vp, or left.

37 And he shall say, Where *are* their gods, their rocke in whom they trusted?

38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, and dranke the wine of their drinke-offerings? let them rise vp and helpe you, *and* be † your protection.

39 See now, that I, *euen* I am he, and there is no god with me; *I* kill, and I make aliue: I wound, and I heale: neither is there any that can deliuer out of my hand.

40 For I lift vp my hand to heauen, and say, I liue for euer.

41 *If* I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on iudgment, I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

42 I will make mine arrowes drunke with blood (and my sword shall deuoure flesh) *and that* with the blood of the slaine, and of the captiues, from the beginning of reuenges vpon the enemy.

43 ‖ Reioyce, O *ye* nations, *with his people*: for he will auenge the blood of his seruants, and will render vengeance to his aduersaries, and will be mercifull vnto his land, *and* to his people.

44 ¶ And Moses came, and spake all the words of this Song in the eares of the people, he and ‖ Hoshea the sonne of Nun.

45 And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel.

46 And he said vnto them, *Set your hearts vnto all the words which I testifie among you this day, which yee shall command your children to obserue to do, all the words of this Law.

47 For it *is* not a vaine thing for you: because it is your life, and thorow this thing ye shall prolong *your* dayes in the land, whither ye passe ouer Iordan to possesse it.

48 And *the LORD spake vnto Moses that selfe same day, saying,

49 Get thee vp into this mountaine Abarim, vnto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is ouer against Iericho, and behold the land of Canaan, which I giue vnto the children of Israel for a possession:

50 And die in the mount whither thou goest vp, and be gathered vnto thy people, as *Aaron* thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered vnto his people:

51 Because* ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel, at the waters of ‖ Meribah-kadesh, in the wildernesse of Zin: because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel.

52 Yet thou shalt see the land before thee, but thou shalt not goe thither vnto the land which I giue the children of Israel.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 *The Maiestie of God.* 6 *The blessing of the twelue Tribes.* 26 *The excellency of Israel.*

AND this *is* the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death.

2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose vp from Seir vnto them: he shined from

mount Paran, and hee came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went a † fiery Law for them.

3 Yea, he loued the people: all his Saints are in thine hand: and they sate downe at thy feet: every one shall receiue of thy words.

4 Moses commanded vs a Law, euen the inheritance of the Congregation of Iacob.

5 And he was King in Iesurun, when the heads of the people, and the tribes of Israel were gathered together.

6 ¶ Let Reuben liue, and not die, and let not his men be few.

7 ¶ And this is the blessing of Iudah, and he said, Heare LORD, the voyce of Iudah, and bring him vnto his people: let his hands bee sufficient for him, and be thou an helpe to him from his enemies.

8 ¶ And of Leui he said, * Let thy Thummim, and thy Vrim be with thy holy One, whom thou didst proue at Massah, and with whom thou didst striue at the waters of Meribah;

9 Who said vnto his father, and to his mother, I haue not seene him, neither did hee acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his owne children: for they haue obserued thy word, and kept thy Couenant.

10 ‖ They shall teach Iacob thy iudgements, and Israel thy Law: ‖ they shall put incense † before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice vpon thine Altar.

11 Blesse, LORD, his substance, and accept the worke of his hands, smite thorow the loynes of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not againe.

12 ¶ And of Beniamin hee said, The beloued of the LORD shall dwell in safetie by him, and the LORD shall couer him all the day long, and hee shall dwell betweene his shoulders.

13 ¶ And of Ioseph he said, * Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heauen, for the dew, and for the deepe that coucheth beneath;

14 And for the precious fruits brought forth by the Sunne, and for the precious things † put forth by the Moone,

15 And for the chiefe things of the ancient mountaines, and for the precious things of the lasting hils,

16 And for the precious things of the earth, and fulnesse thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let the blessing come vpon the head of Ioseph, and vpon the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren.

17 His glory is like the firstling of his bullocke, and his hornes are like the hornes of Vnicornes: with them hee shall push the people together, to the ends of the earth: and they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh.

18 ¶ And of Zebulun hee said, Reioyce Zebulun in thy going out; and Issachar in thy tents.

19 They shall call the people vnto the mountaine: there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousnesse: for they shall suck of the abundance of the sea, and of treasures hid in the sand.

20 ¶ And of Gad he said, Blessed bee he that enlargeth Gad: hee dwelleth as a lyon, and teareth the arme with the crowne of the head.

21 And he prouided the first part for himselfe, because there, in a portion of the Law-giuer was he seated, and he came with the heads of the people: he executed the iustice of the LORD, and his iudgements with Israel.

22 ¶ And of Dan he said, Dan is a lyons whelpe: he shall leape from Bashan.

23 ¶ And of Naphtali hee said, O Naphtali, satisfied with fauour, and full with the blessing of the LORD: possesse thou the West and the South.

24 ¶ And of Asher he said, Let Asher be blessed with children, let him bee acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oyle.

25 Thy ‖ shooes shall bee yron and brasse, and as thy dayes, so shall thy strength be.

26 ¶ There is none like vnto the God of Iesurun, who rideth vpon the heauen in thy helpe, and in his excellency on the skie.

27 The eternall God is thy refuge, and vnderneath are the euerlasting armes: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee, and shall say, Destroy them.

28 * Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountaine of Iacob shall bee vpon a land of corne and wine: also his heauens shall drop downe dew.

29 Happy art thou, O Israel: Who is like vnto thee, O people! saued by thy LORD, the shield of thy helpe, and who is the sword of thy excellency: and thine enemies ‖ shalbe found lyars vnto thee, and thou shalt tread vpon their high places.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

Moses from mount Nebo vieweth the land: 5 He dieth there. 6 His buriall. 7 His age. 8 Thirtie dayes mourning for him. 9 Iosh. succeedeth him. 10 The praise of Moses.

AND Moses went vp from the plaines of Moab, vnto the ‖ mountaine of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is ouer against Iericho: and the LORD shewed him * all the land of Gilead, vnto Dan.

2 And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Iudah, vnto the vtmost Sea.

3 And the South, and the plaine of the valley of Iericho, the city of palme trees, vnto Zoar.

4 And the LORD said vnto him, * This is the land which I sware vnto Abraham, vnto Isaac, and vnto Iacob, saying I will giue it vnto thy seed: I haue caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not goe ouer thither.

5 ¶ So Moses the seruant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD.

6 And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, ouer against Beth-Peor: but no man knoweth of his Sepulchre vnto this day.

7 ¶ And Moses was an hundred and twenty yeeres old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his † naturall force † abated.

8 ¶ And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plaines of Moab thirty dayes: so the dayes of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

9 ¶ And Iosh. the sonne of Nun, was full of the Spirit of wisedome: for Moses had laid his hands vpon him, and the children of Israel hearkned vnto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses.

10 ¶ And there arose not a Prophet since in Israel like vnto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face.

11 In all the signes and the wonders which the LORD sent him to doe in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his seruants, and to all his land,

12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terrour, which Moses shewed in the sight of all Israel.

¶ THE BOOKE OF IOSHVA.

CHAP. 1.

1 *The Lord appointeth Ioshua to succeed Moses.* 3 *The borders of the promised land.* 5 *God promiseth to assist Ioshua.* 8 *He giueth him instructions.* 10 *He prepareth the people to passe ouer Iordan.* 12 *Ioshua putteth the two tribes and halfe in minde of their promise to Moses.* 16 *They promise him fealtie.*

NOw after the death of Moses, the ſeruant of the LORD, it came to paſſe, that ¶ LORD ſpake vnto Ioshua the ſon of Nun, Moſes * Miniſter, ſaying,

* Deut. 34.5.

2 Moſes my ſeruant is dead: now therefore ariſe, goe ouer this Iordan, thou, and all this people, vnto the land which I doe giue them, *euen* to the children of Iſrael.

* Deut. 11.24. Iosh. 14.9.

3 * Euery place that the ſole of your foot ſhall tread vpon, that haue I giuen vnto you, as I ſaid vnto Moſes.

4 From the wilderneſſe, and this Lebanon, *euen* vnto the great riuer, the riuer Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and vnto the great ſea, toward the going downe of the Sunne, ſhall be your coaſt.

5 There ſhall not any man be able to ſtand before thee all the dayes of thy life: as I was with Moſes, ſo will I be with thee: * I will not faile thee, nor forſake thee.

* Hebr. 13.5. * Deut. 31.23.

6 * Be ſtrong & of a good courage: for vnto this people ſhalt thou diuide for an inheritance, the land which I ſware vnto their fathers to giue thē.

7 Only be thou ſtrong, and very couragious, that thou mayeſt obſerue to doe according to all ¶ Law which Moſes my ſeruant commanded thee: * turne not from it, to the right hand, or to the left, that thou mayeſt ‖ proſper whitherſoeuer thou goeſt.

Ioshua ſhall cauſe this people to inherite the land, &c.

* Deut. 5.32. & 28.14. ‖ Or, doe wiſely. ‖ Or, doe wiſely.

8 This booke of the Law ſhall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou ſhalt meditate therin day and night, that thou mayeſt obſerue to doe according to all that is written therein: for then thou ſhalt make thy way proſperous, and then thou ſhalt ‖ haue good ſucceſſe. *Ioh. 7. 8.*

9 Haue not I commanded thee? Be ſtrong, and of a good courage, be not afraid, neither be thou diſmayed: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee whitherſoeuer thou goeſt.

Ios. 24. 15.

10 ¶ Then Ioshua commanded the officers of the people, ſaying,

11 Paſſe thorow the hoſte, and command the people, ſaying, Prepare you victuals: for within three dayes ye ſhall paſſe ouer this Iordan, to goe in to poſſeſſe the land which the LORD your God giueth you to poſſeſſe it.

12 ¶ And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to halfe the tribe of Manaſſeh ſpake Ioshua, ſaying,

13 * Remember the word which Moſes the ſeruant of the LORD commanded you, ſaying, The LORD your God hath giuen you reſt, and hath giuen you this land:

* Num. 32.20.

14 Your wiues, your little ones, and your cattell ſhall remaine in the land which Moſes gaue you on this ſide Iordan: but ye ſhall paſſe before your brethren † armed, all the mighty men of valour, and helpe them:

† Hebr. *marſhalled by fiue.*

15 Vntill the LORD haue giuen your brethren reſt, as *he hath giuen* you, and they alſo haue poſſeſſed the land which the LORD your God giueth them: then ye ſhall returne vnto the land of your poſſeſſion, and enioy it, which Moſes the LORDS ſeruant gaue you on this ſide Iordane toward the Sunne-riſing.

16 ¶ And they anſwered Ioshua, ſaying, All that thou commandeſt vs, we will doe, and whitherſoeuer thou ſendeſt vs, we will goe.

17 According as we hearkened vnto Moſes in all things, ſo will we hearken vnto thee: only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with Moſes.

18 Whoſoeuer he be that doth rebell againſt thy commandement, & will not hearken vnto thy words in all that thou commandeſt him, he ſhall be put to death: onely be ſtrong, and of a good courage.

CHAP. II.

1 *Rahab receiueth and conceleth the two ſpies ſent from Shittim.* 8 *The couenant betweene her and them.* 23 *Their returne and relation.*

AND Ioshua the ſon of Nun ſent out of Shittim two men, to ſpie ſecretly, ſaying, Go view the land, euen Iericho: and they went, and * came into an harlots houſe, named Rahab, and † lodged there.

* Heb. entred. † Hebr. reſted.

2 And it was told the King of Iericho, ſaying, Behold, there came men in hither to night, of the children of Iſrael, to ſearch out the countrey.

3 And the King of Iericho ſent vnto Rahab, ſaying, Bring forth the men that are come to thee, which are entred into thine houſe: for they be come to ſearch out all the countrey.

4 And the woman tooke the two men, and hid them, and ſaid thus: There came men vnto me, but I wiſt not whence they were:

5 And it came to paſſe *about the time* of the ſhutting of the gate, when it was darke, that the men went out: whither the men went, I wote not: purſue after them quickly, for ye ſhall ouertake them.

6 But ſhe had brought them vp to the roofe of the houſe, and hid them with the ſtalkes of flax, which ſhe had laid in order vpon the roofe.

7 And the men purſued after them the way to Iordan, vnto the foords: and aſſoone as they which purſued after them were gone out, they ſhut the gate.

8 ¶ And before they were laid downe, ſhe came vp vnto them vpon the roofe,

9 And ſhe ſaid vnto them, I know that the LORD hath giuen you the land, and that your feare is fallen vpon vs, and that all the inhabitants of the land † faint becauſe of you.

† Hebr. *are diſſolued.*

10 For we haue heard how the LORD * dried vp the water of the red Sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt, & what you did vnto the two Kings of the Amorites that *were* on the other ſide Iordan, * Sihon and Og, whom ye vtterly deſtroyed.

* Exod. 14.21. * Num. 21.24.

11 And aſ ſoone as we had heard *these things*, our hearts did melt, neither did there remaine any more courage in any man, becauſe of you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heauen aboue, and in earth beneath.

12 Now therefore, I pray you, ſweare vnto me by the LORD, ſince I haue ſhewed you kindneſſe, that ye will alſo ſhew kindneſſe vnto my father houſe, and giue me a true token:

13 And that ye will ſaue aliue my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my ſiſters, and all that they haue, & deliuer our liues from death.

14 And the men anſwered her, Our life *for*

, if ye vtter not this our businesse. And it shall
hen the LORD hath giuen vs the land, that we
deale kindly and truly with thee.
Then she let them downe by a coard thorow
window: for her house *was* vpon the towne
and she dwelt vpon the wall.
And she said vnto them: Get you to the moun-
, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide your
n there three dayes, vntill the pursuers be re-
ed, and afterward may ye goe your way.
And the men said vnto her, We will be
leesse of this thine oath which thou hast made
eare:
behold, when we come into the land thou shalt
this line of scarlet threed in the window
h thou didst let vs downe by: and thou shalt
ing thy father, and thy mother, and thy bre-
, and all thy fathers household home vnto thee.
And it shall be, that whosoeuer shall goe out
e doores of thy house into the street, his blood
e vpon his head, and we will be guiltlesse: and
orner shalbe with thee in the house, his blood
e on our head, if *any* hand be vpon him.
And if thou vtter this our businesse, then we
be quit of thine oath which thou hast made vs
eare.
And she said, According vnto your words, so
. And she sent them away, and they departed:
she bound the scarlet line in the window.
And they went, and came vnto the mountaine,
bode there three dayes, vntill the pursuers
returned. And the pursuers sought *them* thor-
out all the way, but found them not.
So the two men returned, and descended
the mountaine, and passed ouer, and came to
the son of Nun, and told him all things that
them.
And they said vnto Ioshua, Truly the LORD
liuered into our hands all the land: for euen
inhabitants of the countrey doe † faint be-
of vs.

CHAP. III.

*Ioshua commeth to Iordan. 2 The officers in-
the people for the passage. 7 The Lord en-
gth Ioshua. 9 Ioshua encourageth the people.
waters of Iordan are diuided.*

Ioshua rose early in the morning, and
they remoued from Shittim, and came to Ior-
and all the children of Israel, and lodged
before they passed ouer.
And it came to passe after three dayes, that
ficers went thorow the hoste;
And they commanded the people, saying, When
the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD your
and the Priests the Leuites bearing it, then
ll remoue from your place, and goe after it.
et there shall be a space between you and it,
bout two thousand cubites by measure: come not
ere vnto it, that ye may know the way by which
must goe: for ye haue not passed *this* way
fore.
And Ioshua said vnto the people, * Sanctifie
lues: for to morrow the LORD will doe
ders among you.
And Ioshua spake vnto the Priests, saying, Take
Arke of the Couenant and passe ouer before
ple. And they tooke vp the Arke of the Co-
and went before the people.
And the LORD said vnto Ioshua, This day
ll begin to magnifie thee in the sight of all Is-
, that they may know that * as I was with Mo-
so I will be with thee.

8 And thou shalt command the Priests that beare the Arke of the Couenant, saying, When ye are come to the brinke of the water of Iordan, ye shall stand still in Iordan.

9 ¶ And Ioshua said vnto the children of Israel, Come hither, and heare the words of the LORD your God.

10 And Ioshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the liuing God is among you, and that he will without faile driue out from before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hiuites, and the Perizzites, and Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Iebusites.

11 Behold, the Arke of the Couenant, euen the Lord of all the earth, passeth ouer before you into Iordan.

12 Now therefore take ye twelue men out of the Tribes of Israel, out of euery Tribe a man:

13 And it shall come to passe, assoone as the soles of the feet of the Priests that beare the Arke of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth shall rest in the waters of Iordan, *that* the waters of Iordan shall be cut off, *from* the waters that come downe from aboue: and they * shall stand vpon an heape.

14 ¶ And it came to passe when the people remoued from their tents to passe ouer Iordan, and the Priests bearing the * Arke of the Couenant before the people;

15 And as they that bare the Arke were come vnto Iordan, and the feet of the Priests that bare the Arke were dipped in the brim of the water, (for * Iordan ouerfloweth all his bankes at the time of harueſt.)

16 That the waters which came downe from aboue, stood *and* rose vp vpon an heape, very farre from the city Adam that *is* beside Zaretan: and those that came downe toward the Sea of the plaine, *euen* the salt Sea, failed, *and* were cut off: and the people passed ouer right against Iericho.

17 And the Priests that bare the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, stood firme on dry ground in the midst of Iordan, and all the Israelites passed ouer on dry ground, vntill all the people were passed cleane ouer Iordan.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Twelue men are appointed to take twelue stones for a memorial out of Iordan. 9 Twelue other stones are set vp in the midst of Iordan. 10, 19 The people passe passe ouer. 14 God magnifieth Ioshua. 20 The twelue stones are pitched in Gilgal.

AND it came to passe, when all the people were cleane passed * ouer Iordan, that the LORD spake vnto * Ioshua, saying,

2 Take you twelue men out of the people, out of euery Tribe a man,

3 And command you them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Iordan, out of the place where the Priests feet stood firme, twelue stones, and ye shall carry them ouer with you, and leaue them in the lodging place where you shall lodge this night.

4 Then Ioshua called the twelue men whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of euery Tribe a man:

5 And Ioshua said vnto them, Passe ouer before the Arke of the LORD your God into the midst of Iordan, and take ye vp euery man of you a stone vpon his shoulder, according vnto the number of the Tribes of the children of Israel:

6 That this may be a signe among you, *that* when your children aske their fathers † in time to come, saying, What meane you by these stones?

7 Then ye shall answere them, That the waters

* Psal. 114 3.
* Acts 7.45.
* 1 Chro. 12.15. ecclus. 24.30.
* Deut. 2.1. 3.
* Chap. 3.12.
† Heb. to morrow.

of Iordan were cut off before the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, when it passed ouer Iordan, the waters of Iordan were cut off: & these stones shalbe for a memoriall vnto ‡ children of Israel for euer.

8 And the children of Israel did so as Ioshua commanded, and tooke vp twelue stones out of the midst of Iordan, as the LORD spake vnto Ioshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them ouer with them, vnto the place where they lodged, and laide them downe there.

9 And Ioshua set vp twelue stones in the midst of Iordan, in the place where the feet of the Priests which bare the Arke of the Couenant, stood: and they are there vnto this day.

10 ¶ For the Priests which bare the Arke, stood in the midst of Iordan, vntill euery thing was finished that the LORD commanded Ioshua to speake vnto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Ioshua: & the people hasted & passed ouer.

11 And it came to passe when all the people were cleane passed ouer ‡ the Arke of the LORD passed ouer, and the Priests in the presence of the people.

12 And * the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh passed ouer armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spake vnto them:

13 About fourtie thousand ‖ prepared for warre, passed ouer before the LORD vnto battell, to the plaines of Iericho.

14 ¶ On that day the LORD magnified Ioshua in the sight of all Israel, and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the dayes of his life.

15 And the LORD spake vnto Ioshua, saying,

16 Command the Priests that beare the Arke of the Testimony, that they come vp out of Iordan:

17 Ioshua therefore commanded the Priests, saying, Come ye vp out of Iordan.

18 And it came to passe, when the Priests that bare the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, were come vp out of the midst of Iordan, and the soles of the Priests feet were lift vp vnto the dry land, that the waters of Iordan returned vnto their place, & † flowed ouer all his bankes, as they did before.

19 ¶ And the people came vp out of Iordan on the tenth day of the first moneth, and incamped in Gilgal, in the East border of Iericho.

20 And those twelue stones which they tooke out of Iordan, did Ioshua pitch in Gilgal.

21 And he spake vnto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shal aske their fathers † in time to come, saying, What meane these stones?

22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came ouer this Iordan on dry land.

23 For the LORD your God dryed vp the waters of Iordan from before you, vntill yee were passed ouer, as the LORD your God did to the red Sea, * which he dryed vp from before vs, vntill we were gone ouer:

24 That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that it is mightie, that ye might feare the LORD your God † for euer.

CHAP. V.

1 The Canaanites are afraid. 2 Ioshua reneweth circumcision. 10 The Passeouer is kept at Gilgal. 12 Manna ceaseth. 13 An Angel appeareth to Ioshua.

AND it came to passe when all the Kings of the Amorites which were on the side of Iordane Westward, and all the Kings of the Canaanites, which were by the Sea, heard that the LORD had dryed vp the waters of Iordan from before the children of Israel, vntill we were passed ouer, that their heart melted: neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.

2 ¶ At that time the LORD said vnto Ioshua, *Make thee ‖ sharpe knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.

3 And Ioshua made him sharpe knives, and circumcised the children of Israel, ‖ at the hill of the foreskinnes.

4 And this is the cause why Ioshua did circumcise: all the people that came out of Egypt, the *were* males, *euen* all the men of warre, died in the wildernes by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

5 Now all the people that came out, were circumcised, but all the people that were borne in the wildernesse, by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, *them* they had not circumcised.

6 For the children of Israel walked forty yeeres in the wildernes, till all the people *that were* men of warre which came out of Egypt were consumed, because they obeyed not the voyce of the LORD: vnto whom the LORD sware that * hee would not shew them the land which the LORD sware vnto their fathers, that he would giue vs, a land that floweth with milke and hony.

7 And their children *whom* hee raised vp in their stead, them Ioshua circumcised: for they were vncircumcised: because they had not circumcised them by the way.

8 And it came to passe † when they had done circumcising all the people, that they abode in their places in the campe till they were whole.

9 And the LORD said vnto Ioshua, This day haue I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you: Wherefore the name of the place is called ‖ Gilgal vnto this day.

10 ¶ And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the Passeouer on the fourteenth day of the moneth at Euen, in the plaines of Iericho.

11 And they did eate of the old corne of the land on the morrow after the Passeouer, vnleauened cakes, and parched corne in the selfe same day.

12 ¶ And the Manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corne of the land, neither had the children of Israel Manna any more, but they did eate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that yeere.

13 ¶ And it came to passe when Ioshua was by Iericho, that he lift vp his eyes, and looked, and behold, there stood * a man ouer against him, and his sword drawne in his hand: and Ioshua went vnto him, and said vnto him, Art thou for vs or our aduersaries?

14 And he said, Nay, but *as* ‖ captaine of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Ioshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said vnto him, What saith my Lord vnto his seruant?

15 And the captaine of the LORDS host said vnto Ioshua, * Loose thy shooe from off thy foot, for the place whereon thou standest is holy: and Ioshua did so.

CHAP. VI.

1 Iericho is shut vp. 2 God instructeth how to besiege it. 12 The city is compassed. 17 Rahab must be accoumpted. 20 The walls fall down. 21 It is sacked. 26 The builder of Iericho is cursed.

NOw Iericho was straitly shut vp, because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in.

2 And the LORD said vnto Ioshua, See, I haue given into thy hand Iericho, and the king thereof, *and* the mighty men of valour.

3 And ye shall compasse the city, all ye men

Numb. 32.27.

Or, ready armed.

Hebr. I caused vp.

Hebr. west.

Hebr. to morrow.

Exod. 14.21.

Hebr. all dayes.

, *and* goe round about the city once: thus
thou doe six dayes.
And seuen Priests shall beare before the Arke
trumpets of rammes hornes: and the seuenth
shall compasse the city seuen times, and the
shall blow with the trumpets.
And it shall come to passe, that when they
a long *blast* with the rams horne, *and* when
re the sound of the trumpet, all the people
hout with a great shout: and the wall of the
all fall downe † flat, and the people shall as-
p euery man straight before him.
And Iosh̃ua the son of Nun called the Priests
id vnto them, Take vp the Arke of the Co-
and let seuen Priests beare seuen trumpets
mes hornes before the Arke of the LORD.
d he said vnto the people, Passe on, and com-
e city, and let him that is armed passe on
the Arke of the LORD.
d it came to passe when Iosh̃ua had spoken
e people, that the seuen Priests bearing the
mpets of rammes hornes, passed on before
RD, and blew with the trumpets: and the
f the Couenant of the LORD followed them.
And the armed men went before the Priests
ew with the trumpets: and the † rereward
fter the Arke, *the Priests* going on, and
g with the trumpets
nd Iosh̃ua had commanded the people say-
shall not shout, nor † make any noyse with
yce, neither shall any word proceed out of
uth, vntill the day I bid you shout, then
shout.
the Arke of the LORD compassed the city
bout *it* once, and they came into the campe,
ged in the campe.
And Iosh̃ua rose early in the morning, and
ests tooke vp the Arke of the LORD.
d seuen Priests bearing seuen trumpets of
nes before the Arke of the LORD, went
nually, and blew with the trumpets: and
d men went before them, but the rere-
ne after the Arke of the LORD, *the*
going on, and blowing with the trumpets.
the second day they compassed ỹ city once,
rned into the campe: so they did six daies.
d it came to passe on the seuenth day, that
e early about the dawning of the day, and
d the city after the same manner, seuen
es only on that day they compassed the city
ven.
d it came to passe at the seuenth time, when
ests blew with the trumpets, Iosh̃ua said
e people, Shout, for the LORD hath giuen
e city.
And the city shall be ‖ accursed, *even* it, and
ave therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the
e shall liue, she & all that *are* with her in the
e, because she hid the messengers that we sent.
you in any wise keepe your selues from the
e thing, lest yee make your selues accursed
take of the accursed thing, and make the
e of Israel a curse, and trouble it.
But all the siluer and gold, and vessels of
ss, or yron, are † consecrated vnto the LORD:
y come into the treasury of the LORD.
So the people shouted when the Priests blew
e trumpets: and it came to passe when the
ard the sound of the trumpet, & the peo-
shouted with a great shoute that the wall fell
t, so ỹ people went vp into the city,
ery man straight before him, & they tooke ỹ city.

21 And they vtterly † destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and oxe and sheepe, and asse, with the edge of the sword.

22 But Iosh̃ua had said vnto the two men that had spied out the country, Goe into the harlots house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, * as ye sware vnto her. * Chap. 2.

23 And the young men that were spies, went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had: and they brought out all her † kindred, and left them without the campe of Israel. † Hebr. families.

24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: only the siluer and the gold, and the vessels of brasse and of yron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

25 And Iosh̃ua saued Rahab the harlot aliue, and her fathers household, and all that she had: and she dwelleth in Israel euen vnto this day, because she hid the messengers which Iosh̃ua sent to spie out Iericho.

26 ¶ And Iosh̃ua adiured *them* at that time, saying, * Cursed be the man before the LORD, that riseth vp and buildeth this city Iericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his first borne, and in his youngest *sonne* shall he set vp the gates of it. * 1. Kings 16. 34.

27 So the LORD was with Iosh̃ua, and his fame was noised throughout all the country.

CHAP. VII.

1 *The Israelites are smitten at Ai.* 6 *Iosh̃uas complaint.* 10 *God instructeth him what to doe.* 16 *Achan is taken by the lot.* 19 *His confession.* 22 *He and all he had are destroyed in the valley of Achor.*

BVt the children of Israel committed a trespasse in the accursed thing: for * Achan the sonne of Carmi, the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Zerah, of the tribe of Iudah, tooke of the accursed thing: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel. * Chap. 22. 20. 1. Chr. 2. 7.

2 And Iosh̃ua sent men from Iericho to Ai, which is beside Beth-auen, on the East side of Bethel, and spake vnto them, saying, Goe vp and view the country. And the men went vp and viewed Ai.

3 And they returned to Iosh̃ua and said vnto him, Let not all the people goe vp: but let † about two or three thousand men goe vp, and smite Ai, and make not all the people to labour thither, for they are but few. † Hebr. about two thousand men, or about three thousand men.

4 So there went vp thither of ỹ people about three thousand men, and they fled before the men of Ai.

5 And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them *from* before the gate, euen vnto Shebarim, and smote them in the ‖ going downe: Wherefore the hearts of the people melted, and became as water. ‖ Or, in Morad.

6 ¶ And Iosh̃ua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth vpon his face, before the Arke of the LORD, vntill the euen-tide, he and the Elders of Israel, and put dust vpon their heads.

7 And Iosh̃ua said, Alas, O Lord GOD, wherefore hast thou at all brought this people ouer Iordan, to deliuer vs into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy vs? Would to God wee had beene content, and dwelt on the other side Iordan.

8 O LORD! what shall I say, when Israel turneth their † backes before their enemies? † Hebr. neckes.

9 For the Canaanites, and all the inhabitants of the land shall heare *of it*, and shall environ vs round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what wilt thou doe vnto thy great Name?

10 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Iosh̃ua, Get thee vp, wherefore † lyest thou thus vpon thy face? † Hebr. fallest.

11 Iſrael hath ſinned, and they haue alſo tranſgreſſed my couenant which I commaunded them: for they haue euen taken of the accurſed thing, and haue alſo ſtollen, and diſſembled alſo, and they haue put it euen amongſt their owne ſtuffe.

12 Therefore the children of Iſrael could not ſtand before their enemies, *but* turned their backes before their enemies, becauſe they were accurſed: neither will I be with you any more, except yee deſtroy the accurſed from amongſt you.

13 Vp, ſanctifie the people and ſay, Sanctifie your ſelues againſt to morrow: for thus ſaith the LORD God of Iſrael, *there is an* accurſed thing in the midſt of thee, O Iſrael: thou canſt not ſtand before thine enemies, vntill yee take away the accurſed thing from among you.

14 In the morning therefore yee ſhall be brought according to your tribes: and it ſhall bee that the tribe which the LORD taketh, ſhall come according to the families *thereof*, and the family which the LORD ſhal take, ſhall come by houſholds: and the houſholds which the LORD ſhal take, ſhall come man by man.

15 And it ſhall be that hee that is taken with the accurſed thing, ſhall be burnt with fire; he, and all that he hath: becauſe he hath tranſgreſſed the Couenant of the LORD, and becauſe he hath wrought ‖ folly in Iſrael.

‖ Or, wickedneſſe

16 ¶ So Ioſhua roſe vp early in the morning, and brought Iſrael by their tribes, and the tribe of Iudah was taken.

17 And he brought the family of Iudah, and hee tooke the family of the Zarhites: and hee brought the family of the Zarhites, man by man, and Zabdi was taken.

18 And he brought his houſhold man by man, and Achan the ſon of Carmi, the ſon of Zabdi, the ſon of Zerah, of the tribe of Iudah, was taken.

19 And Ioſhua ſaid vnto Achan, my ſon, giue, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Iſrael, and make confeſſion vnto him, and tell me now what thou haſt done, hide it not from me.

20 And Achan anſwered Ioſhua, and ſaid, indeed I haue ſinned againſt the LORD God of Iſrael, and thus and thus haue I done.

21 When I ſaw among the ſpoiles a goodly Babyloniſh garment, and two hundred ſhekels of ſiluer, and a † wedge of gold of fifty ſhekels weight, then I coueted them, and tooke them, and behold, they are hid in the earth in the midſt of my tent, and the ſiluer vnder it.

† Heb. tongue.

22 ¶ So Ioſhua ſent meſſenge s, and they ran vnto the tent, and behold, it was hid in his tent, and the ſiluer vnder it.

23 And they tooke them out of the midſt of the tent, and brought them vnto Ioſhua, and vnto all the children of Iſrael, and † laid them out before the LORD.

† Heb. powred

24 And Ioſhua, and all Iſrael with him, tooke Achan the ſonne of Zerah, and the ſiluer, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his ſonnes, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his aſſes, and his ſheepe, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them vnto the valley of Achor.

25 And Ioſhua ſaid, Why haſt thou troubled vs? the LORD ſhall trouble thee this day. And all Iſrael ſtoned him with ſtones, and burned them with fire, after they had ſtoned them with ſtones.

26 And they raiſed ouer him a great heape of ſtones vnto this day: ſo the LORD turned from the fierceneſſe of his anger: Wherefore the name of the place was called, The valley of ‖ Achor vnto this day.

‖ That is trouble

CHAP. VIII.

1 *God encourageth Ioſhua.* 3 *The ſtrata-gem whereby Ai was taken.* 29 *The King thereof hanged.* 30 *Ioſhua buildeth an altar,* 32 *writeth the law on ſtones,* 33 *pronounceth bleſſings and curſings.*

AND the LORD ſaid vnto Ioſhua, * Feare not, neither be thou diſmayed, take all the people of warre with thee, and ariſe, goe vp to Ai: ſee, I haue giuen into thy hand the King of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land.

2 And thou ſhalt doe to Ai and her King, as thou didſt vnto * Iericho and her King, only the ſpoile thereof, and * the cattell thereof, ſhall ye take for a prey vnto your ſelues, lay thee an ambuſh for the city behinde it.

3 ¶ So Ioſhua aroſe, and all the people of warre, to goe vp againſt Ai: and Ioſhua choſe out thirty thouſand mighty men of valour, and ſent them away by night:

4 And he commanded them, ſaying, Behold, ye ſhal lie in wait againſt the city, *euen* behinde the city: goe not very far from the city, but be ye all ready:

5 And I and all the people that are with me will approach vnto the city: and it ſhall come to paſſe, when they come out againſt vs, as at the firſt, that we will flee before them:

6 (For they will come out after vs) till we haue † drawne them from the city; for they will ſay, They flee before vs, as at the firſt: therefore we will flee before them.

7 Then ye ſhall riſe vp from the ambuſh, and ſeize vpon the city: for the LORD your God will deliuer it into your hand:

8 And it ſhall be when ye haue taken the city, that ye ſhall ſet the city on fire: according to the commandement of the LORD ſhall ye do. ſee, I haue commanded you.

9 ¶ Ioſhua therefore ſent them forth, and they went to lie in ambuſh, and abode between Beth-el and Ai, on the Weſt ſide of Ai: but Ioſhua lodged that night among the people.

10 And Ioſhua roſe vp early in the morning, and numbred the people, and went vp, he, and the elders of Iſrael, before the people to Ai.

11 And all the people, *euen the people of warre* that were with him, went vp, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the North ſide of Ai: now there was a valley between them and Ai.

12 And he tooke about fiue thouſand men, and ſet them to lie in ambuſh betweene Beth-el and Ai, on the Weſt ſide ‖ of the city.

13 And when they had ſet the people, *euen* all the hoſte that was on the North of the city, and their liers in wait on the Weſt of the city, Ioſhua went that night into the midſt of the valley.

14 ¶ And it came to paſſe, when the king of Ai ſaw it, that they haſted, and roſe vp early, and the men of the city went out againſt Iſrael to battell, he and all his people, at a time appointed before the plaine, but he wiſt not that there were liers in ambuſh againſt him behind the city.

15 And Ioſhua and all Iſrael made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderneſſe.

16 And all the people that were in Ai were called together to purſue after them: and they purſued after Ioſhua, and were drawne away from the city.

17 And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Iſrael: and they left the city open, and purſued after Iſrael.

18 And the LORD ſaid vnto Ioſhua, Stretch out the ſpeare that is in thine hand, toward Ai;

ſtretche it into thine hand. And Ioſhua ſtretched
e ſpeare † he had in his hand toward the city.
And the ambuſh aroſe quickly out of their
, and they ran aſſoone as he had ſtretched out
and and they entred into the city and tooke
d haſted, and ſet the city on fire.
And when the men of Ai looked behind them,
ſaw, and behold the ſmoke of the city aſcen-
pto heauen, and they had no † power to flee
ay or that way: and the people that fled to
ilderneſſe, turned back vpon the purſuers.
And when Ioſhua and all Iſrael ſaw that the
ſh had taken the city, and that the ſmoake of
ity aſcended, then they turned againe, and ſlew
en of Ai.
And the other iſſued out of the city againſt
, ſo they were in the middeſt of Iſrael, ſome on
ide, & ſome on that ſide, and they ſmote them,
t they † let none of them remaine or eſcape.
And the King of Ai they tooke aliue, and
ght him to Ioſhua.
And it came to paſſe when Iſrael had made an
ſlaying all the inhabitants of Ai, in the field,
wildernes wherein they chaſed them, & *when*
were all fallen on the edge of the ſword, vntill
were conſumed, that all the Iſraelites returned
Ai, and ſmote it with the edge of the ſword.
And ſo it was, that all that fel that day, both
n and women, *were* twelue thouſand, *euen* all
en of Ai.
For Ioſhua drew not his hand backe where-
he ſtretched out the ſpeare, vntill hee had vt-
deſtroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.
Only the cattell, and the ſpoile of that city,
tooke for a prey vnto themſelues, according
the word of the LORD, which hee † com-
ded Ioſhua.
And Ioſhua burnt Ai, and made it an heape
, *euen* a deſolation vnto this day.
And the King of Ai he hanged on a tree, vn-
ntide and aſſoone as the Sun was downe, Io-
commanded that they ſhould take his carkaſſe
from the tree, and caſt it at the entring of
ate of the city, and * raiſe thereon a great
of ſtones, *that remaineth* vnto this day.
Then Ioſhua built an Altar vnto the LORD
Iſrael in mount Ebal,
As Moſes the ſeruant of the LORD comman-
the children of Iſrael, as it is written in the
ke of the Law of Moſes, an Altar of whole
, ouer which no man hath liſt vp any yron:
they offered thereon burnt offerings vnto the
D, and ſacrificed peace offerings.
And hee wrote there vpon the ſtones a copy
e Law of Moſes, which he wrote in the pre-
of the children of Iſrael.
And all Iſrael and their Elders and Officers
their Iudges ſtood on this ſide the Arke, and
at ſide, before the Prieſts the Leuites, which
the Arke of the couenant of the LORD, as well
ranger, as hee that was borne among them:
of them ouer againſt mount Gerizim, and
of them ouer againſt mount Ebal, * as Moſes
uant of the LORD had commanded before,
they ſhould bleſſe the people of Iſrael.
And afterward he read all the words of the
the bleſſings and curſings, according to all
is written in the booke of the Law.
There was not a word of all ‖ Moſes comman-
which Ioſhua read not before all ‖ Congrega-
of Iſrael, † with the women and ‖ little ones,
† ſtrangers that † were conuerſant among them.

CHAP. IX.

1 *The Kings combine againſt Iſrael.* 3 *The Gibeonites by craft obtaine a league.* 16 *For which they are condemned to perpetuall bondage.*

AND it came to paſſe when all the kings which were on this ſide Iordan in the hils, and in the valleys, and in all the coaſts of the great ſea ouer againſt Lebanon, the Hittite and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hiuite, and the Ieburite heard *thereof*,

2 That they gathered themſelues together to † *Hebr.* with one † *accord.* fight with Ioſhua, and with Iſrael, *mouth.*

3 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Ioſhua had done vnto Iericho, and vnto Ai,

4 They did worke wilily, and went and made as if they had beene Embaſſadours, and tooke old ſackes vpon their aſſes, and wine bottels, old and rent and bound vp,

5 And old ſhooes, and clouted vpon their feet, and old garments vpon them, and all the bread of their prouiſion was dry and mouldy.

6 And they went to Ioſhua vnto the campe at Gilgal, and ſaid vnto him, and to the men of Iſrael, We be come from a farr countrey: Now therefore make ye a league with vs.

7 And the men of Iſrael ſaid vnto the Hiuites, Peraduenture ye dwell among vs, and how ſhall we make a league with you?

8 And they ſaid vnto Ioſhua, We *are* thy ſeruants. And Ioſhua ſaid vnto them, Who are ye? and from whence come ye?

9 And they ſaid vnto him, From a very farr countrey thy ſeruants are come, becauſe of the Name of the LORD thy God: for we haue heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt,

10 And all that he did to the two Kings of the Amorites, that were beyond Iordan, to Sihon king of Heſhbon, and to Og king of Baſhan which *was* at Aſhtaroth.

11 Wherefore our Elders, and all the inhabitants of our countrey, ſpake to vs, ſaying, Take victuals † *Heb.* in your † with you for the iourney, and goe to meet them, *hand.* and ſay vnto them, We *are* your ſeruants: therefore now make ye a league with vs.

12 This our bread, we tooke hot for our prouiſion out of our houſes, on the day we came forth to goe vnto you: but now behold, it is dry, and it is mouldy.

13 And theſe bottels of wine which we filled, *were* new, and behold, they be rent: and theſe our garments and our ſhooes are become old, by reaſon of the very long iourney.

14 And ‖ the men tooke of their victuals, and *Or, they received the men by reaſon of their victuals.* aſked not counſell at the mouth of the LORD.

15 And Ioſhua made peace with them, and made a league with them, to let them liue: and the Princes of the Congregation ſware vnto them.

16 ¶ And it came to paſſe at the end of three dayes, after they had made a league with them, that they heard that they *were* their neighbours, and that they dwelt among them.

17 And the children of Iſrael iourneyed, and came vnto their cities on the third day: now their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kiriath-iearim.

18 And the children of Iſrael ſmote them not, becauſe the Princes of the congregation had ſworne vnto them by the LORD God of Iſrael: and all the congregation murmured againſt the Princes.

19 But all the Princes ſaid vnto all the Congregation, We haue ſworne vnto them by the LORD God of Iſrael: now therefore we may not touch them.

20 This

20 This we will doe to them: we will euen let them liue, lest wrath be vpon vs, because of the oath which we sware vnto them.

21 And the Princes said vnto them, Let them liue (but let them be hewers of wood, and drawers of water vnto all the Congregation) as the Princes had * promised them.

*Ver. 19.

22 ¶ And Ioshua called for them, and hee spake vnto them, saying, Wherefore haue ye beguiled vs, saying, We *are* very farre from you? when ye dwell among vs:

23 Now therefore ye are cursed, and there shall † none of you bee freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood, and drawers of water for the house of my God.

†Heb. not be cut off from you.

24 And they answered Ioshua, and said, Because it was certainely told thy seruants, how that the LORD thy God * commanded his seruant Moses, to giue you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you; therefore wee were sore afraid of our liues, because of you, and haue done this thing.

*Deut. 7.2.

25 And now behold, we *are* in thine hand: as it seemeth good & right vnto thee to do vnto vs, doe.

26 And so did he vnto them, and deliuered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that they slew them not.

27 And Ioshua made them that day hewers of wood, and drawers of water for the Congregation, and for the Altar of the LORD, euen vnto this day, in the place which he should chuse.

CHAP. X.

1 *Five kings warre against Gibeon. 6 Ioshua vesteth his. 10 God fighteth against them with haile-stones. 12 The Sunne and Moone stand still at the word of Ioshua. 16 The fiue Kings are inurned in a caue. 21 They are brought forth. 24 Iscornefully vsed, 26 and hanged. 28 Seuen Kings more are conquered. 43 Ioshua returneth to Gilgal.*

NOw it came to passe when Adoni-zedek king of Ierusalem had heard how Ioshua had taken Ai, and had vtterly destroyed it; * as he had done to Iericho and her king, so he had done to * Ai and her King) and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them,

*Chap. 6.15.
*Chap. 8.23.

2 That they feared greatly, because Gibeon *was* a great city, as † one of the royall cities, and because it *was* greater then Ai, and all the men thereof *were* mighty.

†Hebr. cities of the king-dome.

3 Wherefore Adoni-zedek King of Ierusalem, sent vnto Hoham King of Hebron, and vnto Piram King of Iarmuth, and vnto Iaphia King of Lachish, and vnto Debir King of Eglon, saying,

4 Come vp vnto me, and helpe me, that we may smite Gibeon: for it hath made peace with Ioshua, and with the children of Israel.

5 Therefore the fiue Kings of the Amorites, the King of Ierusalem, the King of Hebron, the King of Iarmuth, the King of Lachish, the King of Eglon, gathered themselues together and went vp, they and all their hostes, and encampted before Gibeon, and made warre against it.

6 ¶ And the men of Gibeon sent vnto Ioshua to the campe to Gilgal, saying, Slacke not thy hand from thy seruants, came vp to vs quickly, and saue vs, and helpe vs: for all the Kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountaines, are gathered together against vs.

7 So Ioshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of warre with him, and all the mighty men of valour.

8 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Ioshua, Feare them not: for I haue deliuered them into thine hand, there shall not a man of them stand before thee.

9 Ioshua therefore came vnto them suddenly, *and* went vp from Gilgal all night.

10 And the LORD discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth vp to Beth-horon, & smote them to Azekah, & vnto Makkedah.

11 And it came to passe, as they fled from before Israel, *and* were in the going downe to Beth-horon, that the LORD cast downe great stones from heauen vpon them vnto Azekah, and they died: they *were* moe which died with haile-stones, then they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.

12 ¶ Then spake Ioshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD deliuered vp the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, * Sunne, † stand thou still vpon Gibeon, and thou Moone in the valley of Aialon.

13 And the Sun stood still, and the Moone stayed, vntill the people had auenged themselues vpon their enemies. Is not this written in the booke of Iasher? So the Sun stood still in the midst of heauen, & hasted not to go downe about a whole day.

14 And there was no day like that, before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened vnto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.

15 ¶ And Ioshua returned, and all Israel with him, vnto the campe to Gilgal.

16 But these fiue Kings fled, and hid themselues in a caue at Makkedah.

17 And it was told Ioshua, saying, The fiue Kings are found hid in a caue at Makkedah.

18 And Ioshua said, Roule great stones vpon the mouth of *the* caue, & set men by it, for to keep them:

19 And stay you not, *but* pursue after your enemies, and † smite the hindermost of them, suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the LORD your God hath deliuered them into your hand.

20 And it came to passe when Ioshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest *which* remained of them gat them into fenced cities,

21 And all the people returned to the campe to Ioshua at Makkedah in peace: none mooued his tongue against any of the children of Israel.

22 Then said Ioshua, open the mouth of the caue, & bring out those fiue kings vnto me out of the caue.

23 And they did so, and brought foorth those fiue Kings vnto him out of the caue, the King of Ierusalem, the King of Hebron, the King of Iarmuth, the King of Lachish, *and* the King of Eglon.

24 And it came to passe when they brought out those Kings vnto Ioshua, that Ioshua called for all the men of Israel, & said vnto the captaines of the men of warre which went with him, Come neere, put your feet vpon the neckes of these Kings. And they came neere, & put their feet vpon the neckes of them.

25 And Ioshua said vnto them, Feare not, nor be dismayed, be strong, and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD doe to all your enemies, against whom ye fight.

26 And afterward Ioshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on fiue trees: and they were hanging vpon the trees vntill the euening.

27 And it came to passe at the time of the going downe of the Sunne, *that* Ioshua commanded, and they* tooke them downe off the trees, and cast them into the caue wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the caue mouth, which *remaine* vntill this very day.

*Or, as they.

nd that day Ioshua tooke Makkedah, and
with the edge of the sword, and the King
he vtterly destroyed them, and all the
at were therein, he let none remaine: and
to the King of Makkedah, * as he did vnto
g of Iericho.

en Ioshua passed frō Makkedah, & all Isra-
him, vnto Libnah, & fought against Libnah,
d the LORD deliuered it also, and the king
into the hand of Israel, & he smote it with
e of the sword, and all the soules that were
he let none remaine in it, but did vnto the
reof as he did vnto the King of Iericho.

nd Ioshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel
m vnto Lachish, and encamped against it,
ght against it.

nd the LORD deliuered Lachish into the
Israel, which tooke it on the second day,
te it with the edge of the sword, and all the
that were therein, according to all that hee
ne to Libnah.

Then Horam King of Gezer came vp to help
, and Ioshua smote him and his people, vn-
had left him none remaining.

And from Lachish Ioshua passed vnto Eg-
all Israel with him, and they encamped
it, and fought against it:

nd they tooke it on that day, and smote it
he edge of the sword, and all the soules that
erein he vtterly destroyed that day, accor-
all that he had done to Lachish.

nd Ioshua went vp from Eglon, and all Israel
im vnto Hebron, and they fought against it.

nd they tooke it, and smote it with the edge
sword, and the King thereof, and all the ci-
reof, and all the soules that were therein,
ne remaining, according to all that hee
nto Eglon: but destroyed it vtterly, and
soules that were therein.

And Ioshua returned, and all Israel with
Debir, and fought against it:

nd he tooke it, and the King thereof, and all
ies thereof, and they smote them vvith the edge
sword, & vtterly destroyed all ſ soules that
erein, he left none remaining: as he had done
o, so he did to Debir, & to the king there-
had done also to Libnah, and to her King.

So Ioshua smote all the countrey of the hils,
the South, and of the vale, & of the springs,
their Kings, he left none remaining: but vt-
destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD
Israel * commanded.

nd Ioshua smote them from Kadesh-Barnea,
nto Gaza, and all the countrey of Goshen,
nto Gibeon.

nd all these Kings, and their land did Io-
take at one time: because the LORD God of
fought for Israel.

nd Ioshua returned, and all Israel with
nto the campe to Gilgal.

CHAP. XI.

*Iabin kings ouercome at the waters of Me-
rom. Hazor is taken and burnt. 16 All the coun-
trey subdued by Ioshua. 21 The Anakims cut off.*

1 And it came to passe, when Iabin King of Ha-
zor had heard *those things*, that he sent to Io-
bab King of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and
to the king of Achshaph.

2 And to the Kings that *were* on the North of
the mountaines, and of the plaines South of Cine-
reth in the valley, and in the borders of Dor,

3 *And to* the Canaanite on the East, and on the
West, and to the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the
Perizzite, and the Iebusite in the mountaines, and
to the Hiuite vnder Hermon, in the land of Mizpeh.

4 And they went out, they and all their hostes
with them, much people, euen as the sand that *is*
vpon the Sea-shore in multitude, with horses and
charets very many.

5 And when all these Kings were † met together, † *Hebr.*
they came and pitched together at the waters of *assembled*
Merom, to fight against Israel. *by ap-*
pointment.

6 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Ioshua, Be not a-
fraid because of them, for to morrow about this
time will I deliuer them vp all slaine before Israel:
thou shalt hough their horses, and burne their cha-
rets with fire.

7 So Ioshua came, and all the people of warre
with him, against them by the waters of Merom
suddenly, and they fell vpon them.

8 And the LORD deliuered them into the hand
of Israel, who smote them, and chased them vnto
Zidon great Zidon, and vnto Misrephothmaim, and vn- *Or, Zidō*
to the valley of Mizpeh Eastward, and they smote *Rabbah.*
them vntill they left them none remaining. *Or, salt-*
pits: heb.
burning
of waters

9 And Ioshua did vnto them as the LORD bade
him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their cha-
rets with fire.

10 ¶ And Ioshua at that time turned backe, and
tooke Hazor, and smote the King thereof with the
sword: for Hazor before time was the head of all
those kingdomes.

11 And they smote all the soules that were there-
in with the edge of the sword vtterly destroying
them: there was not † any left to breathe; and he † *Heb. any*
burnt Hazor with fire. *breathing.*

12 And all the cities of these Kings, and all the
Kings of them, did Ioshua take, and smote them
with the edge of the sword, *and* he vtterly destroy-
ed them, * as Moses the seruant of the LORD com- * Num.
manded. 33.52.

13 But as for the cities that stood still † in their Deut. 7.22
strength, Israel burned none of them, saue Hazor & 20.16.
onely, *that* did Ioshua burne.

14 And all the spoile of these cities, and the cat- † *Hebr.*
tell, the children of Israel tooke for a prey vnto *on their*
themselues: but euery man they smote with the *heapt.*
edge of the sword, vntill they had destroyed them,
neither left they any to breathe.

15 ¶ * As the LORD commanded Moses his ser- * Exod.
uant, so * did Moses command Ioshua, and so did 34.11.
Ioshua: he † left nothing vndone of all that the * Deut.
LORD commanded Moses. 7.2.

16 So Ioshua tooke all that land, the hils, and all † *Hebr.*
the South countrey, and all the land of Goshen, *he remo-*
and the valley, and the plaine, and the mountaine *ued no-*
of Israel, and the vally of the same; *thing.*

17 *Euen* from the Mount Halak, that goeth vp *Or, the*
to Seir, vnto Baal Gad in the valley of Lebanon *mount*
vnder mount Hermon: and all their kings he tooke, *mountaine.*
and smote them, and slew them.

18 Ioshua made war a long time with all those
Kings.

19 There was not a city that made peace with
the children of Israel, saue the Hiuites the inhabi- * Chap.
tants of Gibeon, all *other* they tooke in battell. 9.3.

20 For it was of the LORD, to harden their
hearts, that they should come against Israel in bat-
tell, that he might destroy them vtterly, *and* that
they might haue no fauour: but that he might de-
stroy them, as the LORD commanded Moses.

21 ¶ And at that time came Ioshua, and cut off the
Anakims from the mountaines, from Hebron, from
Debir,

Debir, from Anab, and from all the mountaines of Iudah, and from all the mountaines of Israel: Iosh̃ua destroyed *them* vtterly with their cities.

22 There was none of the Anakims left in the land of the children of Israel: onely in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod there remained.

23 So Iosh̃ua tooke the whole land according to all that the LORD said vnto Moses, and Iosh̃ua gaue it for an inheritance vnto Israel, * according to their diuisions by their tribes: and the land rested from warre.

* Num. 26.53.

CHAP. XII.

1 The two Kings whose countreys Moses tooke and disposed of. 7 The one and thirty Kings on the other side Iordan which Iosh̃ua smote.

NOw these *are* the Kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote, and possessed their land on the other side Iordan, toward the rising of the Sun: from the riuer Arnon vnto mount Hermon, and all the plaine on the East.

2 * Sihon King of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, *and* ruled from Aroer, which *is* vpon the banke of the riuer of Arnon, and from the middle of the riuer, and from halfe Gilead, vnto the riuer Iabbok, *which is* the border of the children of Ammon:

* Num. 21.24. deu.3.6.

3 And from the plaine to the Sea of Cinneroth on the East, and vnto the Sea of the plaine, *euen* the salt Sea on the East, the way vnto ‖ Beth-Ieshimoth: and from the ‖ South, vnder † Ashdoth-Pisgah.

‖ Or, Teman. ‖ Or, the springs of Pisgah, or the hill

4 ¶ And the coast of Og King of ‖ Bashan, *which was* of the * remnant of the giants, that dwelt at Ashtaroth, and at Edrei,

* Deu.3. 11.and 4. 49.

5 And reigned in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, vnto the border of the Geshurites, and the Maachathites, and halfe Gilead, the border of Sihon King of Heshbon.

6 Them did Moses, the seruant of the LORD, and the children of Israel smite, and * Moses the seruant of the LORD gaue it for a possession vnto the Reubenites, and Gadites, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh.

* Deu. 3. 11. chap. 13.12. * Num. 32.29.

7 ¶ And these are the Kings of the countrey, which Iosh̃ua and the children of Israel smote on this side Iordan, on the West, from Baal-Gad in the valley of Lebanon, euen vnto * the mount Halak, that goeth vp to Seir, which Iosh̃ua gaue vnto the tribes of Israel for a possession, according to their diuisions:

* Deu. 23.7. chap. 13.5. * Chap. 11. 17.

8 In the mountaines, and in the valleys, and in the plaines, and in the springs, and in the wildernesse, and in the South countrey, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites.

9 ¶ * The King of Iericho, one: the * King of Ai, which *is* beside Bethel, one:

* Chap. 6.2. * Chap. 8.29.

10 * The King of Ierusalem, one: the King of Hebron, one:

* Chap. 10.23.

11 The King of Iarmuth, one: the King of Lachish, one:

* Chap. 10.33.

12 The King of Eglon, one: * the King of Gezer, one:

* Chap. 10.38.

13 * The King of Debir, one: the King of Geder, one:

14 The King of Hormah, one: the King of Arad, one:

* Chap. 20.39.

15 * The King of Libnah, one: the King of Adullam, one:

* Chap. 10.28.

16 * The King of Makkedah, one: the King of Bethel, one:

17 The King of Tappuah, one: the King of Hepher, one:

18 The King of Aphek, one: the King of Lasharon, one:

19 The King of Madon, one: * the King of Hazor, one:

20 The King of Shimron-Meron, one: the King of Achshaph, one:

21 The King of Taanach, one: the King of Megiddo, one:

22 The King of Kedesh, one: the King of Iokneam of Carmel, one:

23 The King of Dor, in the coast of Dor, one: the King of * the nations of Gilgal, one:

24 The King of Tirzah, one: all the Kings thirty and one.

CHAP. XIII.

1 The bounds of the land not yet conquered. 7 The inheritance of the two Tribes and halfe. 14 The Lord and his sacrifices, are the inheritance of Leui. 15 The bounds of the inheritance of Reuben. 21 Balaam slaine. 24 The bounds of the inheritance of Gad, 29 and of the halfe tribe of Manasseh.

NOw Iosh̃ua was old, *and* stricken in yeeres, and the LORD said vnto him: Thou art old, stricken in yeeres, and there remaineth yet very much land † to be possessed.

2 This *is* the land that yet remaineth: all the borders of the Philistines, and all Geshuri,

3 From Sihor, which is before Egypt, euen vnto the borders of Ekron Northward, *which is* reckoned to the Canaanite: fiue lords of the Philistines; Gazathites, and the Ashdothites, the Eshkalonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also the Auites:

4 From the South, all the land of the Canaanites, and ‖ Mearah that is beside the Zidonians, vnto Aphek, to the borders of the Amorites:

5 And the land of the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward the Sun-rising, from Baal Gad vnder mount Hermon, vnto the entring into Hamath,

6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Lebanon vnto Misrephothmaim, & all the Sidonians, them will I driue out from before the children of Israel: only diuide thou it by lot vnto the Israelites for an inheritance, as I haue commanded thee.

7 Now therefore diuide this land for an inheritance vnto the nine tribes, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh,

8 With whom the Reubenites, and the Gadites haue receiued their inheritance, * which Moses gaue them beyond Iordan Eastward, euen as Moses the seruant of the LORD gaue them:

9 From Aroer that is vpon the banke of the riuer Arnon, and the city that is in the midst of the riuer, and all the plaine of Medeba vnto Dibon:

10 And all the cities of Sihon King of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, vnto the border of the children of Ammon:

11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan vnto Salcah:

12 All the kingdome of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth, and in Edrei, who remained of * the remnant of the giants: for these did Moses smite, and cast them out.

13 Neuertheless, the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites, nor the Maachathites: but Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites vntill this day.

14 Onely vnto the tribe of Leui he gaue none inheritance: the sacrifices of the LORD God of Israel made by fire, are their inheritance, as he said vnto them.

15 ¶ And Moses gaue vnto the tribe of the children

…ers, *inheritance according to* their families: …nd their coast was from Aroer, that is on the …f the river Arnon, & the city that is in the …f the river, and all the plaine by Medeba. …shbon, & all her cities that are in ỹ plaine: …and ‖ Bamoth-Baal, and Beth-Baalmeon, …nd Jahazah, and Kedemoth, and Mephaath, …nd Kiriathaim, and Sibmah, and Zareth-…in the mount of the valley, …nd Beth-Peor, and * ‖ Ashdoth-Pisgah, and …shimoth:

…nd all the cities of the plaine, and all the …me of Sihon King of the Amorites, which …d in Heshbon, whom Moses smote * with the …s of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and …d Reba, which were Dukes of Sihon, dwel-…the country.

…Balaam also the sonne of Beor the ‖ South-…d the children of Israel slay with the sword, …them that were slaine by them.

…nd the border of the children of Reuben, …rdan and the border *thereof*: this was the …ance of the children of Reuben after their …s, the cities and villages thereof.

…nd Moses gaue *inheritance* vnto the tribe of …ben vnto the children of Gad, according to …milies:

…nd their coast was Iazer, and all the cities …ead, and halfe the land of the children of …n, vnto Aroer that is before Rabbah:

…d from Heshbon vnto Ramath-Mizpeh, and …nt and from Mahanaim vnto the border of …

…d in the valley, Beth-aram, and Beth-nim-…Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the king-…of Sihon King of Heshbon, Iordan, and *his* …ers vnto the edge of the Sea of Cinneroth, …other side Iordan Eastward.

…is the inheritance of the children of Gad …ir families; the cities and their villages.

…And Moses gaue *inheritance* vnto the halfe …of Manasseh: and *this* was *the possession* of …e tribe of Manasseh, by their families.

…ne their coast was from Mahanaim all Ba-…the kingdome of Og King of Bashan, and …owns of Iair, which are in Bashan, three-…

…e halfe Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, …of the kingdome of Og in Bashan, *were per-*…*nto* the children of Machir the sonne of …*nto* the one halfe of the * children of …by their families.

…These are the *countreys* which Moses did di-…for inheritance in the plaines of Moab, on …t side Iordan by Iericho Eastward.

…But vnto the tribe of Leui Moses gaue not …eritance: the LORD God of Israel was their …ance, * as he said vnto them.

CHAP. XIIII.

Nine tribes and a halfe are to haue their …erit by lot. 6 Caleb by priuiledge obtaineth

…d these *are the countreys* which ỹ children of …rael inherited in the land of Canaan, * which …the Priest, and Iehoshua the son of Nun, and …ds of the fathers of the tribes of the chil-…of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them: …by lot *was* their inheritance, as the LORD …ded by the hand of Moses, for the nine …nd for the halfe tribe.

…For Moses had giuen the inheritance of two …nd ½ tribe, on the other side Iordan; but vnto the Leuites hee gaue none inheritance among them.

4 For the children of Ioseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gaue no part vnto the Leuites in the land, saue cities to dwell in, with their suburbes for their cattell, and for their substance.

5 * As the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and they diuided the land. * Numb. 33.2. cha. 21.2.

6 ¶ Then the children of Iudah came vnto Iehoshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh the Kenezite, said vnto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said vnto Moses, the man of God, concerning me and thee in Kadesh-Barnea.

7 Fourty yeeres old *was* I when Moses the seruant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh-Barnea, to espy out the land, and I brought him word againe, as it was in mine heart.

8 Neuertheless, my brethren that went vp with mee, made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly * followed the LORD my God. * Numb. 14.24.

9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet haue troden, shalbe thine inheritance, and thy children for euer, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

10 And now behold, the LORD hath kept me aliue, as he said, these forty and fiue yeeres, euen since the LORD spake this word vnto Moses, while the children of Israel † wandered in the wildernesse: and now loe, I am this day fourescore and fiue yeres old. † Heb. walked.

11 * And yet I am as strong this day, as I *was* in the day that Moses sent mee: as my strength was then, euen so is my strength now for warre, both to goe out, and to come in. * Eccles. 46.9.

12 Now therefore giue me this mountaine, where of the LORD spake in that day, (for thou heardest in that day, how the Anakims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great *and* fenced) if so be the LORD will be with mee, then I shalbe able to driue them out, as the LORD said.

13 And Iehoshua blessed him, and gaue vnto Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, Hebron for an inheritance.

14 * Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Iephunneh the Kenezite vnto this day: because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel. * Chap. 21.12. 1. mac. 2.56.

15 And * the name of Hebron before, *was* Kiriath-Arba, which *Arba* was a great man among the Anakims: and the land had rest from warre. * Chap. 15.13.

CHAP. XV.

1 The borders of the lot of Iuaah. 13 Calebs portion and conquest. 16 Othniel for his valour hath Achsah Calebs daughter to wife. 18 She obtaineth a blessing of her father. 21 The cities of Iudah. 63 The Iebusites not conquered.

THis then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Iudah by their families, * euen to the border of Edom; the * wildernesse of Zin Southward, *was* the vttermost part of the South coast: * Numb. 34.3. * Numb.

2 And their South border was from the shore of the salt Sea, from ỹ † bay that looketh Southward. † Heb. tongue.

3 And it went out to the South side to ‖ Maalehacrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended vp on the South side vnto Kadesh-Barnea: and passed along to Hezron, and went vp to Adar, and fetched a compasse to Karkaa. ‖ Or the going vp to Acrabbim.

4 From thence it passed toward Azmon, and went out vnto the riuer of Egypt, and the goings out of that coast were at the Sea: this shall be your South coast.

5 And the East border was the salt Sea, euen vnto the end of Iordan: and their border in the North

North quarter was from the bay of the Sea, at the vttermost part of Iordan.

6 And the border went vp to Beth-hoglah, and passed along by the North of Beth-arabah, and the border went vp to the stone of Bohan the sonne of Reuben.

7 And the border went vp toward Debir from the valley of Achor, and so Northward, looking toward Gilgal, that is before the going vp to Adummim, which is on the South side of the riuer: and the border passed toward the waters of Enshemesh and the goings out thereof were at En-Rogel.

1. Kings 8.9.

8 And the border went vp by the valley of the sonne of Hinnom, vnto the South side of the Iebusite, the same is Ierusalem: and the border went vp to the top of the mountaine, that lieth before the valley of Hinnom, Westward, which is at the end of the valley of the giants, Northward.

9 And the border was drawne from the top of the hill, vnto the fountaine of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron, and the border was drawne to Baalah, which is Kiriath-iearim.

10 And the border compassed from Baalah Westward vnto mount Seir, and passed along vnto the side of mount Iearim, (which is Chesalon) on the North side, and went downe to Bethshemesh, and passed on to Timnah.

11 And the border went out vnto the side of Ekron Northward: and the border was drawne to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out vnto Iabneel: and the goings out of the border were at the Sea.

12 And the West border was to the great Sea, and the coast thereof: this is the coast of the children of Iudah round about, according to their families.

13 ¶ And vnto Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh hee gaue a part among the children of Iudah, according to the commandement of the LORD to Ioshua; euen the city of Arba the father of Anak, which city is Hebron.

b Chap. 14.15. c Or, Kiriath-arba. d Iudg. 1.

14 And Caleb drone thence the three sonnes of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak.

15 And he went vp thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before was Kiriath-Sepher.

16 ¶ And Caleb said, he that smiteth Kiriath-Sepher, and taketh it, to him will I giue Achsah my daughter to wife.

17 And Othniel the sonne of Kenaz the brother of Caleb, tooke it: and he gaue him Achsah his daughter to wife.

18 And it came to passe as shee came vnto him, that she moued him to aske of her father a field, and shee lighted off her asse, and Caleb said vnto her, what wouldest thou?

19 Who answered, Giue me a blessing: for thou hast giuen me a South land, giue me also springs of water: and he gaue her the vpper springs, and the nether springs.

20 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Iudah, according to their families.

21 And the vttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Iudah toward the coast of Edom Southward, were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Iagur,

22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,

23 And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,

24 Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,

25 And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth: and Hezron, which is Hazor.

26 Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,

27 And Hazar-Gaddah, and Heshmon, and Bepalet.

28 And Hazarshual, and Beersheba, and Biothiah,

29 Baalah, and Iim, and Azem,

30 And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah,

31 And Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah,

32 And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities are twenty and nine, with their villages.

33 And in the valley, Esthaol, and Zorah, and Ashnah,

34 And Zanoah, and Engannim, Tappuah, and Enam,

35 Iarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,

36 And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim, fourteene cities with their villages,

37 Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdalgad,

38 And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Ioktheel,

39 Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon,

40 And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish,

41 And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah: sixteene cities, with their villages,

42 Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan,

43 And Iiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib,

44 And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah: nine cities with their villages.

45 Ekron with her townes and her villages,

46 From Ekron euen vnto the Sea, all that were Ashdod with their villages.

47 Ashdod with her townes, & her villages: Gaza with her townes and her villages, vnto the riuer of Egypt, and the great Sea, and the border thereof.

48 ¶ And in the mountaines, Shamir, and Iattir, and Socoh,

49 And Dannah, and Kiriath-Sannah, which is Debir,

50 And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim,

51 And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh: eleuen cities, with their villages.

52 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean:

53 And Ianum, and Beth-tappuah, & Aphekah,

54 And Humtah, and Kiriath-arba (or Hebron) and Zior: nine cities, with their villages.

55 Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Iuttah,

56 And Iezreel, and Iokdeam, and Zanoah,

57 Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah: ten cities, with their villages,

58 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor,

59 And Maarah, and Bethanoth, and Eltekon: six cities with their villages.

60 Kiriath-baal, which is Kiriath-iearim, and Rabbah: two cities with their villages.

61 ¶ In the wilderneſſe, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah,

62 And Nibshan, and the citie of Salt, and Engedi: six cities with their villages.

63 As for the Iebusites, the inhabitants of Ierusalem, the children of Iudah could not driue them out: but the Iebusites dwell with the children of Iudah at Ierusalem vnto this day.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *The generall borders of the sonnes of Ioseph.* 5 *The border of the inheritance of Ephraim.* 10 *Canaanites not conquered.*

AND the lot of the children of Ioseph fell from Iordan by Iericho, vnto the water of Iericho on the East, to the wildernesse that goeth vp from Iericho, throughout mount Beth-el,

2 And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and passeth along vnto the borders of Archi to Ataroth,

And goeth downe Westward, to the coast of Ieteri, vnto the coast of Bethoron the nether, and Gezer: & the goings out thereof are at the Sea.

So the children of Ioseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, tooke their inheritance:

¶ And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families, was *thus:* euen the border of their inheritance on the Eastside, was Ataroth Addar vnto Bethoron the vpper.

And the border went out toward the Sea, to Michmethah on the Northside, and the border turneth about Eastward vnto Taanath Shiloh, and passeth by it, on the East to Janohah.

And it went downe from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarath, and came to Iericho, and went out at Iordan.

The border went out from Tappuah Westward vnto the riuer Kanah: and the goings out thereof were at the Sea. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families.

And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim *were* among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, al the cities with their villages.

And they drane not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephramites vnto this day, and serue vnder tribute.

CHAP. XVII.

The lot of Manasseh. 3 *His coast.* 12 *The Canaanites not driuen out.* 14 *The children of Ioseph craue another lot.*

There was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh: (for he was the first borne of Ioseph) *to wit,* Machir the first borne of Manasseh, the father of Gilead: because he *was* a man of warre, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan.

There was also *a lot* for * the rest of the children of Manasseh by their families: for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Sichem, and for the children of Hepher, & for the children of Shemida: these *were* the male children of Manasseh the sonne of Ioseph by their families.

But * Zelophehad the sonne of Hepher, the sonne of Gilead, the sonne of Machir, the sonne of Manasseh, had no sonnes but daughters: And these are the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

And they came neere before Eleazar the Priest, and before Iosshua the sonne of Nun, and before the Princes, saying, The LORD commanded Moses to giue vs an inheritance among our brethren: therefore according to the commandement of the LORD, he gaue them an inheritance among the brethren of their father.

And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead, and Bashan, which *were* on the other side Iordan:

Because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sonnes: and the rest of Manasseh's sonnes had the land of Gilead.

¶ And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethah, that lieth before Shechem, and the border went along on the right hand vnto the inhabitants of Entappuah.

(Now Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but Tappuah on the border of Manasseh belonged to the children of Ephraim.

And the coast descended vnto the ‖ riuer Kanah, southward of the riuer: these cities of Ephraim among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh also *was* on the Northside of the riuer: and the out-goings of it were at the Sea.

10 Southward *it was* Ephraims, and Northward *it was* Manasseh's, and the Sea is his border; and they met together in Asher on the North, and in Issachar on the East.

11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher, Bethshean and her townes, and Ibleam and her townes, and the inhabitants of Dor and her townes, and the inhabitants of Endor and her townes, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her townes, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her townes, euen three countreys.

12 Yet the children of Manasseh could not driue out *the inhabitants* of those cities, but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

13 Yet it came to passe, when the children of Israel were waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute: but did not vtterly driue them out.

14 And the children of Ioseph spake vnto Ioshua, saying, Why hast thou giuen me *but* one lot, and one portion to inherite, seeing I am a great people, for as much as the LORD hath blessed me hitherto?

15 And Ioshua answered them, If thou be a great people, then get thee vp to the wood *country*, and cut downe for thy selfe there in the land of the Perizzites, and of the ‖ Giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.

Or, Rephaims.

16 And the children of Ioseph said, The hill is not enough for vs: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley, haue charets of yron, both they who *are* of Bethshean, and her townes, and they who *are* of the valley of Iezreel.

17 And Ioshua spake vnto the house of Ioseph, *euen* to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power: Thou shalt not haue one lot *only:*

18 But the mountaine shall be thine, for it is a wood, and thou shalt cut it downe: and the out-goings of it shalbe thine: for thou shalt driue out the Canaanites, though they haue yron charets, *and* though they *be* strong.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 *The Tabernacle is set vp at Shiloh.* 2 *The remainder of the land is described, and diuided into seuen parts.* 10 *Ioshua diuideth it by lot.* 11 *The lot and border of Beniamin.* 21 *Their cities.*

AND the whole Congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set vp the Tabernacle of the Congregation there, and the land was subdued before them.

2 And there remained among the children of Israel seuen tribes, which had not yet receiued their inheritance.

3 And Ioshua said vnto the children of Israel, How long are you slacke to goe to possesse the land which the LORD God of your fathers hath giuen you?

4 Giue out from among you three men for *each* tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and go thorow the land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them, and they shall come *againe* to me.

5 And they shall diuide it into seuen parts: Iudah shall abide in their coast on the South, and the house of Ioseph shall abide in their coasts on the North.

6 Yee shall therefore describe the land *into* seuen parts, and bring *the description* hither to me: that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.

7 But the Leuites haue no part among you, for the

the Priesthood of the LORD is their inheritance: and Gad and Reuben, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh haue receiued their inheritance beyond Iordan on the East, which Moses the seruant of the LORD gaue them.

8 ¶ And the men arose and went away: and Ioshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Goe and walke thorow the land, and describe it, and come againe to me, that I may here cast lots for you before the LORD in Shiloh.

9 And the men went, and passed thorow the land, & described it by cities, into seuen parts in a book, and came *againe* to Ioshua to the hoste at Shiloh.

10 ¶ And Ioshua cast lots for them in Shiloh, before the LORD: and there Ioshua diuided the land vnto the children of Israel, according to their diuisions.

11 ¶ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Beniamin came vp according to their families: and the coast of their lot came foorth betweene the children of Iudah, and the children of Ioseph.

12 And their border on the North side was from Iordan, and the border went vp to the side of Iericho, on the Northside, and went vp through the mountaines Westward, and the goings out thereof were at the wildernesse of Beth-auen.

13 And the border went ouer from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, (which is Bethel) Southward, and the border descended to Ataroth-Adar, neere the hill that *lyeth* on the South side of the nether Beth-horon.

14 And the border was drawen *thence*, and compassed the corner of the Sea Southward, from the hill that *lyeth* before Beth-horon Southward: and the goings out therof were at Kiriath baal (which is Kiriath-iearim) a city of the children of Iudah: This was the West quarter.

15 And the South quarter was from the end of Kiriath-iearim, & the border went out on the West, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah.

16 And the border came downe to the end of the mountaine, that *lyeth* before the valley of the sonne of Hinnom, *and* which is in the valley of the giants on the North, and descended to the valley of Hinnom to the side of Iebusi on the South, and descended to En-rogel,

17 And was drawen from the North, and went foorth to Enshemesh, and went foorth toward Geliloth, which is ouer against the going vp of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the sonne of Reuben,

18 And passed along toward the side ouer against Arabah Northward, & went downe vnto Arabah.

19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah Northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the North bay of the salt Sea, at the South end of Iordan: This was the South coast.

20 And Iordan was the border of it on the East side: This was the inheritance of the children of Beniamin, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.

21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Beniamin, according to their families, were Iericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,

22 And Betharabah, and Zemaraim, and Bethel,

23 And Auim, and Parah, and Ophrah,

24 And Chephar-Haammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba: twelue cities with their villages.

25 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth,

26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,

27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,

28 And Zela, Eleph, and Iebusi, (which is Ierusalem) Gibeath, *and* Kiriath, fourteene cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, according to their families.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *The lot of Simeon,* 10 *of Zebulun,* 17 *of Issachar,* 24 *of Asher,* 32 *of Naphtali,* 40 *of Dan.* *The children of Israel giue an inheritance to Ioshua.*

AND the second lot came forth to Simeon, *euen* for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Iudah.

2 And they had in their inheritance Beer-sheba, and Sheba, and Moladah,

3 And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem,

4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,

5 And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah,

6 And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen: thirteene cities and their villages.

7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan: four cities and their villages,

8 And all the villages that were round about these cities, to Baalath-Beer, Ramath of the South. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon, according to their families.

9 Out of the portion of the children of Iudah was the inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Iudah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.

10 ¶ And the third lot came vp for the children of Zebulun, according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was vnto Sarid.

11 And their border went vp toward the Sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the riuer that *is* before Iokneam,

12 And turned from Sarid Eastward, toward the Sunne rising, vnto the border of Chisloth-Tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth vp to Iaphia,

13 And from thence passeth on along on the East to Gittah-Hepher, to Ittah-Kazin, and goeth out to Remmon-Methoar to Neah.

14 And the border compasseth it on the North side to Hinnathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Iiphthah-el,

15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Bethlehem: twelue cities with their villages.

16 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Zebulun, according to their families, these cities with their villages.

17 ¶ *And* the fourth lot came out to Issachar, *euen* for the children of Issachar according to their families.

18 And their border was toward Iezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,

19 And Haphraim, and Shion, and Anaharath,

20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,

21 And Remeth, and Engannim, and Enhaddah, and Bethpazzez.

22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and Bethshemesh, and the outgoings of their border were at Iordan, sixteene cities with their villages.

23 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar, according to their families, the cities and their villages.

24 ¶ And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher, according to their families.

25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,

26 And Alammelech, and Amad, & Misheal,

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a Chap. 15.6.

‖ Or, the plaine.

† Hebr. bounds.

eth to Carmel Westward, and to Shihor-Lib-
nd turneth toward the Sun rising to Beth-da-
nd reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of
ah-el toward the North side of Beth-emek
eiel, and goeth out to Cabul on the left hand,
And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and
ten vnto great Zidon:
And *then* the coast turneth to Ramah, and to
rong city †Tyre, and the coast turneth to Hos
nd the outgoings thereof are at the Sea, from
ast to Achzib.
Vmmah also, and Aphek, and Rehobt twentie
o cities with their villages.
This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
en of Asher, according to their families,
cities, with their villages.
The sixth lot came out to the children of
alit euen for the children of Naphtali, ac-
g to their families.
nd their coast was from Heleph, from Allon
naannim & Adami, Nekeb, and Iabneel, vnto
; and the outgoings thereof were at Iordan.
nd then the coast turneth Westward to Az-
Tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok,
beth to Zebulun on the South side, and
th to Asher on the West side, and to Iudah
Iordan toward the Sun rising.
nd the fenced cities are Ziddim, Zer, and
ath, Rakkath, and Cinnereth,
nd Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,
nd Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,
nd Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Betha-
d Bethshemesh, nineteene cities with their
s.
is is the inheritance of the tribe of the
n of Naphtali according to their families,
ies and their villages.
And the seuenth lot came out for the tribe
ildren of Dan according to their families:
d the coast of their inheritance was Zorah,
sol, and Irshemesh,
d Shaalabbin, and Aijalon, and Iethlah,
d Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron,
d Elteketh, and Gibbethon, and Baalah,
d Iehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon,
d Meiarkon, and Rakkon, with the border
Iapho.
d the coast of the children of Dan went
ssile for them: therefore the children of
ty went vp to fight against Leshem, and tooke it,
t it with the edge of the sword, and pos-
, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem,
ter the name of Dan their father.
is is the inheritance of the tribe of the
of Dan according to their families, these
th their villages.
When they had made an end of dividing
r inheritance by their coasts, the children
ue an inheritance to Ioshua the sonne of
ng them:
rding to the word of the LORD, they
the city which he asked, euen * Timnath-
mount Ephraim: and hee built the citie,
t therein.
ese are the inheritances which Eleazar
, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and the
he fathers of the tribes of the children
ided for an inheritance by lot, in Shi-
t the LORD, at the doore of the Taber-
e Congregation: so they made an end of
e country.

CHAP. XX.

1 God commandeth, 7 and the children of Israel appoint the sixe cities of refuge.

THE LORD also spake vnto Ioshua, saying,
2 Speake to the children of Israel, saying,
* Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake vnto you by the hand of Moses: * Exod. 21.13.
3 That the slayer that killeth any person vnawares, *and* vnwittingly, may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the auenger of blood. num.35. 6,11. 14. dtn.19.2,
4 And when he that doth flee vnto one of those cities, shall stand at the entring of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the eares of the Elders of that city: they shall take him into the citie vnto them, and giue him a place, that hee may dwell among them.
5 And if the auenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliuer the slayer vp into his hand: because he smote his neighbour vnwittingly, and hated him not before time.
6 And he shall dwell in that city, vntil he stand before the Congregation for iudgement, *and* *vntill the death of the high Priest that shall be in those dayes: then shall the slayer returne, and come vnto his owne city, and vnto his owne house, vnto the city from whence he fled.
7 ¶ And they † appointed Kedesh in Galilee, in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba (which is Hebron) in the mountaine of Iudah. † *Hebr. sanctified*
8 And on the other side Iordan by Iericho Eastward, they assigned, * Bezer in the wildernes vpon the plaine, out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh. * Deut. 4.43. 1.chron. 6.78.
9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoeuer killeth any person at vnawares, might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the auenger of blood, vntill hee stood before the Congregation.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Eight and fourtie cities given by lot out of the other tribes to the Levites. 43 God gave the land, and rest to the Israelites, according to his promise.

THen came neere the heads of the fathers of the Leuites vnto Eleazar the Priest, and vnto Ioshua the son of Nun, and vnto the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel.
2 And they spake vnto them at Shiloh, in the land of Canaan, saying, * The LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, to giue vs cities to dwell in, with the suburbes thereof, for our cattell. * Numbl 35.2.
3 And the children of Israel gaue vnto the Leuites out of their inheritance, at the commandement of the LORD, these cities and their suburbes.
4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron the Priest, *which were* of the Leuites, had by lot out of the tribe of Iudah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Beniamin, thirteene cities.
5 And the rest of the children of Kohath *had* by lot, out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.
6 And the children of Gershon *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteene cities.
7 The children of Merari, by their families, *had* out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of

the Priesthood of the LORD *is* their inheritance: and Gad and Reuben, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh haue receiued their inheritance beyond Iordan on the East, which Moses the seruant of the LORD gaue them.

8 ¶ And the men arose and went away: and Iosh. charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Goe and walke thorow the land, and describe it, and come againe to me, that I may here cast lots for you before the LORD in Shiloh.

9 And the men went, and passed thorow the land, & described it by cities, into seuen parts in a book, and came *againe* to Iosh. to the hoste at Shiloh.

10 ¶ And Iosh. cast lots for them in Shiloh, before the LORD: and there Iosh. diuided the land vnto the children of Israel, according to their diuisions.

11 ¶ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Beniamin came vp according to their families: and the coast of their lot came foorth betweene the children of Iudah, and the children of Ioseph.

12 And their border on the North side was from Iordan, and the border went vp to the side of Iericho, on the Northside, and went vp through the mountaines Westward, and the goings out thereof were at the wildernesse of Beth-auen.

13 And the border went ouer from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, (which is Bethel) Southward, and the border descended to Ataroth-Adar, neere the hill that *lyeth* on the South side of the nether Beth-horon.

14 And the border was drawen *thence*, and compassed the corner of the Sea Southward, from the hill that *lyeth* before Beth-horon Southward: and the goings out therof were at Kiriath baal (which is Kiriath-iearim) a city of the children of Iudah: This was the West quarter.

15 And the South quarter was from the end of Kiriath-iearim, & the border went out on the West, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah.

16 And the border came downe to the end of the mountaine, that *lyeth* before the valley of the sonne of Hinnom, and which is in the valley of the giants on the North, and descended to the valley of Hinnom to the side of Iebusi on the South, and descended to En-rogel,

17 And was drawen from the North, and went foorth to Enshemesh, and went foorth toward Geliloth, which is ouer against the going vp of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the sonne of Reuben,

18 And passed along toward the side ouer against Arabah Northward, & went downe vnto Arabah.

19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah North-ward: and the outgoings of the border were at the North bay of the salt Sea, at the South end of Iordan: This was the South coast.

20 And Iordan was the border of it on the East side: This was the inheritance of the children of Beniamin, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.

21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Beniamin, according to their families, were Iericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,

22 And Betharabah, and Zemaraim, and Bethel,

23 And Auim, and Parah, and Ophrah,

24 And Chephar-Haammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba: twelue cities with their villages.

25 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth,

26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,

27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,

28 And Zela, Eleph, and Iebusi, (which is Ierusalem) Gibeath, and Kiriath, fourteene cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Beniamin, according to their families.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *The lot of Simeon,* 10 *of Zebulun,* 17 *of Issachar,* 24 *of Asher,* 32 *of Naphtali,* 40 *of Dan.* *The children of Israel giue an inheritance to Iosh.*

AND the second lot came forth to Simeon, *euen* for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Iudah.

2 And they had in their inheritance Beer-sheba, and Sheba, and Moladah,

3 And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem,

4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,

5 And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah,

6 And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen: thirteene cities and their villages.

7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan: four cities and their villages,

8 And all the villages that were round about these cities, to Baalath-Beer, Ramath of the South. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon, according to their families.

9 Out of the portion of the children of Iudah was the inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Iudah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.

10 ¶ And the third lot came vp for the children of Zebulun, according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was vnto Sarid.

11 And their border went vp toward the Sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the riuer that *is* before Iokneam,

12 And turned from Sarid Eastward, toward the Sunne rising, vnto the border of Chisloth-tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth vp to Iaphia,

13 And from thence passeth on along on the East to Gittah-Hepher, to Ittah-Kazin, and goeth out to Remmon-methoar to Neah.

14 And the border compasseth it on the North side to Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Iphthah-el,

15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Bethlehem: twelue cities with their villages.

16 This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun, according to their families, these cities with their villages.

17 ¶ And the fourth lot came out to Issachar, *euen* for the children of Issachar according to their families.

18 And their border was toward Iezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,

19 And Haphraim, and Shion, and Anaharath,

20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,

21 And Remeth, and Engannim, and Enhaddah, and Bethpazzez.

22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and Bethshemesh, and the outgoings of their border were at Iordan, sixteene cities with their villages.

23 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar, according to their families, the cities and their villages.

24 ¶ And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher, according to their families.

25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,

26 And Alammelech, and Amad, & Misheal,

* Chap. 15.6.

‖ Or, the plaine.

† Hebr. southward.

eth to Carmel Westward, and to Shihor-Lib-

nd turneth toward the Sun rising to Beth-da-
nd reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of
ah-el toward the North side of Beth-emek
tiel, and goeth out to Cabul on the left hand,
And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and
anen vnto great Zidon.
And then the coast turneth to Ramah, and to
rong city †Tyre, and the coast turneth to Hos
nd the outgoings thereof are at the Sea, from
ast to Achzib.
Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehobt twentie
wo cities with their villages.
This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
ren of Asher, according to their families,
cities, with their villages.
The sixth lot came out to the children of
alit euen for the children of Naphtali, ac-
g to their families.
nd their coast was from Heleph, from Allon
naannim & Adami, Nekeb, and Iabneel, vnto
; and the outgoings thereof were at Iordan.
nd then the coast turneth Westward to Az-
Tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok,
beth to Zebulun on the South side, and
th to Asher on the West side, and to Iudah
Iordan toward the Sun rising.
nd the fenced cities are Ziddim, Zer, and
ath, Rakkath, and Cinnereth,
nd Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,
nd Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,
nd Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-a-
d Bethshemesh, nineteene cities with their
s.
is is the inheritance of the tribe of the
n of Naphtali according to their families,
es and their villages.
And the seuenth lot came out for the tribe
ildren of Dan according to their families:
d the coast of their inheritance was Zorah,
shtaol, and Irshemesh,
d Shaalabbin, and Aijalon, and Iethlah,
d Elon, and Thimnathath, and Ekron,
d Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalah,
d Iehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon,
d Meiarkon, and Rakkon, with the border
Iapho.
d the coast of the children of Dan went
side for them: therefore the children of
ey vp to fight against Leshem, and tooke it,
te it with the edge of the sword, and pos-
, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem,
ter the name of Dan their father.
is is the inheritance of the tribe of the
d Dan according to their families, these
th their villages.
When they had made an end of dividing
eir inheritance by their coasts, the children
ave an inheritance to Ioshua the sonne of
ong them:
rding to the word of the LORD, they
the city which he asked, euen * Timnath-
mer Ephraim: and hee built the citie,
t therein.
ese are the inheritances which Eleazar
and Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and the
he fathers of the tribes of the children
ded for an inheritance by lot, in Shi-
e the LORD, at the doore of the Taber-
e Congregation: so they made an end of
e country.

CHAP. XX.

1 *God commandeth, 7 and the children of Israel appoint the fixe cities of refuge.*

THe LORD also spake vnto Ioshua, saying,
2 Speake to the children of Israel, saying,
* Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake vnto you by the hand of Moses: * Exod. 21.13.
3 That the slayer that killeth any person vnawares, *and* vnwittingly, may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the auenger of blood. num.35. 6.11. 14. deu.19.2.
4 And when he that doth flee vnto one of those cities, shall stand at the entring of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the eares of the Elders of that city: they shall take him into the citie vnto them, and giue him a place, that hee may dwell among them.
5 And if the auenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliuer the slayer vp into his hand: because he smote his neighbour vnwittingly, and hated him not before time.
6 And he shall dwell in that city, vntil he stand before the Congregation for iudgement, *and* * vntill the death of the high Priest that shall be in those dayes: then shall the slayer returne, and come vnto his owne city, and vnto his owne house, vnto the city from whence he fled.
7 ¶ And they †appointed Kedesh in Galilee, in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba (which is Hebron) in the mountaine of Iudah. † *Heb. sanctified*
8 And on the other side Iordan by Iericho Eastward, they assigned, * Bezer in the wildernes vpon the plaine, out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh. * Deut. 4.43. 1.chron. 6.78.
9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoeuer killeth any person at vnawares, might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the auenger of blood, vntill hee stood before the Congregation.

CHAP. XXI.

1 *Eight and fourtie cities giuen by lot out of the other tribes to the Levites. 43 God gaue the land, and rest to the Israelites, according to his promise.*

THen came neere the heads of the fathers of the Leuites vnto Eleazar the Priest, and vnto Ioshua the son of Nun, and vnto the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel.
2 And they spake vnto them at Shiloh, in the land of Canaan, saying, * The LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, to giue vs cities to dwell in, with the suburbes thereof, for our cattell. * Numb 35.2.
3 And the children of Israel gaue vnto the Leuites out of their inheritance, at the commandement of the LORD, these cities and their suburbes.
4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron the Priest, *which were* of the Leuites, had by lot out of the tribe of Iudah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Beniamin, thirteene cities.
5 And the rest of the children of Kohath *had* by lot, out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.
6 And the children of Gershon *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteene cities.
7 The children of Merari, by their families, *had* out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of

Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulon, twelue cities.

8 And the children of Israel gaue by lot vnto the Leuites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

9 ¶ And they gaue out of the tribe of the children of Iudah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are *here* †mentioned by name,

† Hebr. called.

10 Which the children of Aaron, being of the families of the Kohathites, who were of the children of Leui, had, (for theirs was the first lot.)

‖ Or, Kiriath-barba. 11 And they gaue them ‖ the city of Arbah, the father of Anak (*which city* is Hebron) in the hill country of Iudah, with the suburbs thereof round about it:

12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof gaue they to * Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, for his possession.

* Chap. 14. 14. 1 chron. 6. 56.

13 ¶ Thus they gaue to the children of Aaron the Priest, Hebron with her suburbs *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer, and Libnah with her suburbs,

14 And Iattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her suburbs:

15 And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs:

16 And Ain with her suburbs, and Iuttah with her suburbes, and Bethshemesh with her suburbes, nine cities out of those two tribes.

17 And out of the tribe of Beniamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba with her suburbs,

18 Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her suburbs, foure cities.

19 All the cities of the children of Aaron the Priests, nine thirteene cities with their suburbs.

20 ¶ And the families of the children of Kohath, the Leuites, which remained of the children of Kohath, euen they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.

21 For they gaue them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer: and Gezer with her suburbs,

22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs, foure cities.

23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibethon with her suburbs,

24 Aijalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon with her suburbs: foure cities.

25 And out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Taanach with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs: two cities.

26 All the cities were ten with their suburbs, for the families of the children of Kohath that remained.

27 ¶ And vnto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Leuites, out of the *other* halfe tribe of Manasseh, *they gaue* Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer: and Beesterah with her suburbs: two cities.

28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,

29 Iarmuth with her suburbs, Enganim with her suburbs: foure cities.

30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,

31 Helkah with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs: foure cities.

32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer, and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs: three cities.

33 All the cities of the Gershonites, according to their families, *were* thirteene cities with their suburbs.

34 ¶ And vnto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Leuites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Iokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs,

35 Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs: foure cities.

36 And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Iahazah with her suburbs,

37 Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs: foure cities.

38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs,

39 Heshbon with her suburbs, Iazer with her suburbs, foure cities in all.

40 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Leuites, *were by* their lot twelue cities.

41 All the cities of the Leuites, within the possession of the children of Israel, were fourtie and eight cities with their suburbs.

42 These cities were euery one with their suburbes round about them: thus were all these cities.

43 ¶ And the LORD gaue vnto Israel all the land which hee sware to giue vnto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.

44 And the LORD gaue them rest round about, according to all that hee sware vnto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them: the LORD deliuered all their enemies into their hand.

45 * There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken vnto the house of Israel: all came to passe.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *The two tribes and halfe with a blessing are sent home:* 9 *They build the Altar of Testimonie in their iourney.* 11 *The Israelites are offended at it.* 21 *They giue them good satisfaction.*

THen Iosh. called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh,

2 And said vnto them, Ye haue kept all that Moses the seruant of the LORD commanded you, and haue obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:

3 Yee haue not left your brethren these many dayes vnto this day, but haue kept the charge of the commandement of the LORD your God.

4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest vnto your brethren, as he promised them: therefore now returne yee, and get you vnto your tents, and vnto the land of your possession, * which Moses the seruant of the LORD gaue you on the other side Iordan.

5 But take diligent heed to do the Commandment and the law, which Moses the seruant of the LORD charged you, * to loue the LORD your God, and to walke in all his wayes, & to keepe his commandements, and to cleaue vnto him, and to serue him with all your heart, and with all your soule.

6 So Iosh. blessed them, and sent them away: and they went vnto their tents.

7 ¶ Now to the *one* halfe of the tribe of Manasseh, Moses had giuen possession in Bashan: but vnto the *other* halfe thereof gaue Iosh. among their brethren on this side Iordan Westward. Now when Iosh. sent them away also vnto their tents, then he blessed them,

8 And he spake vnto them, saying, Returne with much riches vnto your tents, and with very much cattell, with siluer and with gold, and with brasse, and with iron, & with very much raiment: diuide the spoile of your enemies with your brethren.

y And the children of Reuben, and the chil-
of Gad, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, return-
and departed from the children of Israel out
Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan, to goe
the country of Gilead, to the land of their
ssion, whereof they were possessed, according
e word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
¶ And when they came vnto the borders of
n, that are in the land of Canaan, the chil-
of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the
tribe of Manasseh, built there an Altar by
n, a great Altar to see to.
¶ And the children of Israel heard say, Be-
the children of Reuben, and the children of
and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, haue built an
ner against the land of Canaan, in the bor-
of Iordan, at the passage of the children of

And when the children of Israel heard of it,
hole Congregation of the children of Israel,
red themselues together at Shiloh, to goe vp
rre against them.
And the children of Israel sent vnto the chil-
of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to
lfe tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gile-
Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest,
And with him ten Princes, of each † chiefe
e a Prince, throughout all the tribes of Israel,
ch one was an head of the house of their fa-
among the thousands of Israel.
And they came vnto the children of Reuben,
the children of Gad, and to the halfe tribe
nasseh, vnto the land of Gilead, and they
with them, saying,
Thus saith the whole Congregation of the
D, What trespasse is this that ye haue com-
d against the God of Israel, to turne away
y from following the LORD, in that ye haue
d you an Altar, that ye might rebell this
inst the LORD?
s the iniquity * of Peor too little for vs,
which we are not cleansed vntill this day,
ugh there was a plague in the Congregati-
e LORD.)
t that ye must turne away this day from
ing the LORD? and it will be, *seeing* ye re-
day against the LORD, that to morrow he
wroth with the whole Congregation of

notwithstanding, if the land of your posses-
n cleane, then passe ye ouer vnto the land
possession of the LORD, wherein the LORDS
cle dwelleth, and take possession among
rebell not against the LORD, nor rebell
vs, in building you an altar, beside the Al-
the LORD our God.
id not Achan the sonne of Zerah commit a
e in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on
Congregation of Israel? and that man pe-
not alone in his iniquity.
Then the children of Reuben, and the chil-
Gad, & the halfe tribe of Manasseh, answe-
said vnto † heads of the thousands of Israel,
e LORD God of gods, the LORD God of
e knowers, and Israel he shall know, if it
ebellion, or if in transgression against the
ine vs not this day.)
t we haue built vs an Altar to turne from
g the LORD, or if to offer thereon burnt
, or meat offering, or if to offer peace offe-
ings, let the LORD himselfe require it:
d if we haue not rather done it for feare of
this thing, saying, † In time to come your children might speake vnto our children, saying, What haue you to doe with the LORD God of Israel? † Heb. to morrow.

25 For the LORD hath made Iordan a border betweene vs and you, ye children of Reuben, and children of Gad, ye haue no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the LORD.

26 Therefore we said, Let vs now prepare to build vs an Altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice,

27 But that it may be * a witnesse betweene vs and you, and our generations after vs, that we might doe the seruice of the LORD before him, with our burnt offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings, that your children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye haue no part in the LORD. * Gen. 31.48. chap. 24. 27. verse

28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should so say to vs, or to our generations in time to come, that we may say *againe*, Behold the patterne of the Altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices, but it is a witnesse betweene vs and you.

29 God forbid that we should rebell against the LORD, and turne this day from following the LORD, to build an Altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, besides the Altar of the LORD our God that is before his Tabernacle.

30 ¶ And when Phinehas the Priest, and the Princes of the Congregation, and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the children of Manasseh spake, † it pleased them. † Heb. it was good in their eyes.

31 And Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest said vnto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceiue that the LORD is among vs, because ye haue not committed this trespasse against the LORD: † now ye haue deliuered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD. † Heb. then.

32 ¶ And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the Priest, and the princes returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, vnto the land of Canaan to the children of Israel, and brought them word againe.

33 And the thing pleased the children of Israel, and the children of Israel blessed God, and did not intend to goe vp against them in battell, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.

34 And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad called the Altar ‖ Ed: for it shall be a witnesse betweene vs, that the LORD is God. ‖ That is, a witnesse.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Ioshuas exhortation before his death, 3 by former benefits, 5 by promises, 12 and by threatnings.

AND it came to passe, a long time after that the LORD had giuen rest vnto Israel from all their enemies round about, that Ioshua waxed old, and † stricken in age. † Heb. came into dayes.

2 And Ioshua called for all Israel, *and* for their Elders, and for their Heads, and for their Iudges, and for their Officers, and said vnto them, I am old, *and* stricken in age.

3 And ye haue seene all that the LORD your God hath done vnto all these nations, because of you: for the * LORD your God is he that hath fought for you. * Exod. 14.4.

4 Behold, I haue diuided vnto you by lot these

God, and out of the tribe of Zebulon, twelue cities.

8 And the children of Israel gaue by lot vnto the Leuites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

9 ¶ And they gaue out of the tribe of the children of Iudah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are *here* †mentioned by name,

† Hebr. called.

10 Which the children of Aaron, being of the families of the Kohathites; who were of the children of Leui, had: (for theirs was the first lot.)

11 And they gaue them [the city of Arbah, the father of Anak (*which city* is Hebron) in the hill countrey of Iudah, with the suburbs thereof round about it:

‖ Or, Kiriatharbah.

12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof gaue they to * Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, for his possession.

* Chap. 14. 13. 1 chron. 6. 56.

13 ¶ Thus they gaue to the children of Aaron the Priest, Hebron with her suburbs *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer, and Libnah with her suburbs,

14 And Iattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her suburbs:

15 And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs:

16 And Ain with her suburbs, and Iuttah with her suburbes, and Bethshemesh with her suburbes, nine cities out of those two tribes.

17 And out of the tribe of Beniamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba with her suburbs,

18 Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her suburbs, foure cities.

19 All the cities of the children of Aaron the Priests, were thirteene cities with their suburbs.

20 ¶ And the families of the children of Kohath, the Leuites, which remained of the children of Kohath, euen they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.

21 For they gaue them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer: and Gezer with her suburbs,

22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs, foure cities.

23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibethon with her suburbs,

24 Aijalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon with her suburbs: foure cities.

25 And out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Taanach with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs: two cities.

26 All the cities were ten with their suburbs, for the families of the children of Kohath that remained.

27 ¶ And vnto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Leuites, out of the *other* halfe tribe of Manasseh, *they gaue* Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer: and Beesterah with her suburbs: two cities.

28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,

29 Iarmuth with her suburbs, Enganim with her suburbs: foure cities.

30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,

31 Helkah with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs: foure cities.

32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer, and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs: three cities.

33 All the cities of the Gershonites, according to their families, *were* thirteene cities with their suburbs.

34 ¶ And vnto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Leuites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Iokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs,

35 Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs: foure cities.

36 And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Iahazah with her suburbs,

37 Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs: foure cities.

38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs,

39 Heshbon with her suburbs, Iazer with her suburbs, foure cities in all.

40 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Leuites, *were by* their lot twelue cities.

41 All the cities of the Leuites, within the possession of the children of Israel, were fourtie and eight cities with their suburbs.

42 These cities were euery one with their suburbes round about them: thus were all these cities.

43 ¶ And the LORD gaue vnto Israel all the land which hee sware to giue vnto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.

44 And the LORD gaue them rest round about, according to all that hee sware vnto their fathers, and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them: the LORD deliuered all their enemies into their hand.

45 * There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken vnto the house of Israel: all came to passe.

CHAP. XXII.

1 The two tribes and halfe with a blessing are sent home. 9 They build the Altar of Testimonie in their iourney. 11 The Israelites are offended therefore. 21 They giue them good satisfaction.

THen Ioshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh,

2 And said vnto them, Ye haue kept all that Moses the seruant of the LORD commanded you, and haue obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:

3 Yee haue not left your brethren these many dayes vnto this day, but haue kept the charge of the commandement of the LORD your God.

4 And now the LORD your God hath giuen rest vnto your brethren, as he promised them: therefore now returne yee, and get yee vnto your tents, and vnto the land of your possession, * which Moses the seruant of the LORD gaue you on the other side Iordan.

5 But take diligent heed, to do the Commandment and the law, which Moses the seruant of the LORD charged you, * to loue the LORD your God, and to walke in all his wayes, & to keepe his commandements, and to cleaue vnto him, and to serue him with all your heart, and with all your soule.

6 So Ioshua blessed them, and sent them away, and they went vnto their tents.

7 ¶ Now to the *one* halfe of the tribe of Manasseh, Moses had giuen *possession* in Bashan: but vnto the *other* halfe thereof gaue Ioshua among their brethren on this side Iordan Westward. And when Ioshua sent them away also vnto their tents, then he blessed them,

8 And he spake vnto them, saying, Returne with much riches vnto your tents, and with very much cattell, with siluer and with gold, and with brasse, and with iron, & with very much raiment: diuide the spoile of your enemies with your brethren.

9 ¶ And

19 ¶ And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan, to goe vnto the country of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

20 ¶ And when they came vnto the borders of Iordan, that *are* in the land of Canaan, the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, built there an Altar by Iordan a great Altar to see to.

21 ¶ And the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, haue built an Altar ouer against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Iordan, at the passage of the children of Israel.

22 And when the children of Israel heard of it, the whole Congregation of the children of Israel, gathered themselues together at Shiloh, to goe vp to warre against them.

23 And the children of Israel sent vnto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the halfe tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest,

24 And with him ten Princes, of each † chiefe house a Prince, throughout all the tribes of Israel, and each one was an head of the house of their fathers, among the thousands of Israel.

25 ¶ And they came vnto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the halfe tribe of Manasseh, vnto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,

26 Thus saith the whole Congregation of the LORD, What trespasse is this that ye haue committed against the God of Israel, to turne away this day from following the LORD, in that ye haue builded you an Altar, that ye might rebell this day against the LORD?

27 *Is* the iniquity * of Peor too little for vs, from which we are not cleansed vntill this day, (though there was a plague in the Congregation of the LORD.)

28 But that ye must turne away this day from following the LORD? and it will be, *seeing* ye rebell to day against the LORD, that to morrow he will be wroth with the whole Congregation of Israel.

29 Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession be vncleane, then passe ye ouer vnto the land of the possession of the LORD, wherein the LORDS Tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among vs: but rebell not against the LORD, nor rebell against vs, in building you an altar, beside the Altar of the LORD our God.

30 Did not Achan the sonne of Zerah commit a trespasse in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the Congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his iniquity.

31 ¶ Then the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, & the halfe tribe of Manasseh, answered, and said vnto † heads of the thousands of Israel,

32 The LORD God of gods, the LORD God of gods, he knoweth, and Israel he shall know, if it *be* in rebellion, or if in transgression against the LORD (saue vs not this day,)

33 That ye haue built vs an Altar to turne from following the LORD, or if to offer thereon burnt offering, or meate offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himselfe require *it*:

34 And if we haue not rather done it for feare of this thing, saying, † In time to come your children might speake vnto our children, saying, What haue you to doe with the LORD God of Israel?

35 For the LORD hath made Iordan a border betweene vs and you, ye children of Reuben, and children of Gad, ye haue no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the LORD.

36 Therefore we said, Let vs now prepare to build vs an Altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice,

37 But that it may be * a witnesse betweene vs and you, and our generations after vs, that we might doe the seruice of the LORD before him, with our burnt offerings, and with our sacrifices, and without peace offerings, that your children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye haue no part in the LORD.

38 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should so say to vs, or to our generations in time to come, that we may say *againe*, Behold the patterne of the Altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices, but it *is* a witnesse betweene vs and you.

39 God forbid that we should rebell against the LORD, and turne this day from following the LORD, to build an Altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the Altar of the LORD our God that *is* before his Tabernacle.

40 ¶ And when Phinehas the Priest, and the Princes of the Congregation, and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the children of Manasseh spake, † it pleased them.

41 And Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest said vnto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceiue that the LORD is among vs, because ye haue not committed this trespasse against the LORD: † now ye haue deliuered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD.

42 ¶ And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the Priest, and the princes returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, vnto the land of Canaan to the children of Israel, and brought them word againe.

43 And the thing pleased the children of Israel, and the children of Israel blessed God, and did not intend to goe vp against them in battell, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.

44 And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad called the Altar ‖ Ed: for it shall be a witnesse betweene vs, that the LORD is God.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Iosh. exhortation before his death, 3 by former benefits, 5 by promises, 11 and by threatnings.

AND it came to passe, a long time after that the LORD had giuen rest vnto Israel from all their enemies round about, that Iosh. was waxed old, and † stricken in age.

2 And Iosh. called for all Israel, and for their Elders, and for their Heads, and for their Iudges, and for their Officers, and said vnto them, I am old, and stricken in age.

3 And ye haue seene all that the LORD your God hath done vnto all these nations, because of you: for the * LORD your God *is* he that hath fought for you.

4 Behold, I haue diuided vnto you by lot these

† Heb. in the house of their fathers.

* Gen. 31. 48. chap. 24. 27. verse 53.

† Heb. stricken in dayes.

* Exod. 14. 25.

nations that remaine, to be an inheritance for your tribes from Iordan, with all the nations that I haue cut off, euen vnto the great Sea † Westward.

† Hebr. at the Sun set.

5 And the LORD your God, he shall expell them from before you, and drine them from out of your sight, and ye shall possesse their land, as the LORD your God hath promised vnto you.

6 Be ye therefore very courageous to keepe and to doe all that is written in the booke of the Law of Moses, * that ye turne not aside there-from, to the right hand, or to the left,

* Deut. 5.32. and 28.14.

7 That ye come not among these nations, these that remaine amongst you, neither * make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to sweare *by them*, neither serue them, nor bow your selues vnto them.

* Psal. 16.4.

‖ Or for if you will cleaue, &c.

8 ‖ But cleaue vnto the LORD your God, as ye haue done vnto this day.

‖ Or, then the LORD will driue

9 ‖ For the LORD hath driuen out from before you, great nations and strong: But as for you, no man hath beene able to stand before you vnto this day.

* Leuit. 26.8. deu. 32.30.

10 * One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, he it is that fighteth for you, as he hath promised you.

† Hebr. soules.

11 Take good heed therefore vnto your † selues, that ye loue the LORD your God.

12 Else, if ye doe in any wise goe backe, & cleaue vnto the remnant of these nations, euen these that remaine among you, and shall make mariages with them, and goe in vnto them, and they to you.

13 Know for a certainety that the LORD your God will no more driue out any of these nations from before you: * but they shall be snares and traps vnto you, and scourges in your sides, and thornes in your eyes, vntill ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath giuen you.

* Exod. 23.33. num. 33. 55. deut. 7.16.

14 And behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth, and ye know in all your hearts, and in all your soules, that * not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the LORD your God spake concerning you: all are come to passe vnto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof.

* Chap. 21.45.

15 Therefore it shall come to passe, *that* as all good things are come vpon you, which the LORD your God promised you: so shall the LORD bring vpon you all euill things, vntill he haue destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath giuen you.

16 When ye haue transgressed the Couenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and haue gone and serued other gods, and bowed your selues to them: then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath giuen vnto you.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Iosh. assembleth the tribes at Shechem. 2 A briefe history of Gods benefits from Terah. 14 He inuyteth a Couenant betweene them and God. 26 A stone the witnesse of the Couenant. 29 Iosh. age, death, and buriall. 32 Iosephs bones are buried. 33 Eleazer dieth.

AND Iosh. gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the Elders of Israel, and for their Heads, and for their Iudges, and for their Officers, and they presented themselues before God.

2 And Iosh. said vnto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, * Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, euen Terah the father of Abraham, and the father

* Gen. 11.31. Iudith 5.6.

3 And I tooke your father Abraham from other side of the flood, and led him thorow the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, * gaue him Isaac.

* gaue

4 And I gaue vnto Isaac, * Iacob and Esau: I gaue vnto * Esau mount Seir, to possesse it: Iacob and his children went downe into Egypt.

* I sent

5 * I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out.

* I brought

6 And I * brought your fathers out of Egypt: and you came vnto the Sea, and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with charets and horsemen * the red Sea.

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7 And when they cryed vnto the LORD, he put darkenesse betweene you and the Egyptians, and brought the Sea vpon them, and couered them: and your eyes haue seene what I haue done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wildernesse a long season.

8 And I brought you into the land of the Amorites which dwelt on the other side Iordan, and they fought with you, and I gaue them into your hand, that ye might possesse their land, and I destroyed them from before you.

9 Then Balak the sonne of Zippor, King of Moab, arose and warred against Israel, and sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you.

10 But I would not hearken vnto Balaam: therefore he blessed you still: so I deliuered you out of his hand.

11 And ye went ouer Iordane, and came vnto Iericho: and the men of Iericho fought against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, and I deliuered them into your hand.

12 And * I sent the hornet before you, which draue them out from before you, euen the two Kings of the Amorites: *but* not with thy sword nor with thy bow.

* I sent

13 And I haue giuen you a land for which ye did not labour, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them: of the vineyards and oliue yards which ye planted not, doe ye eate.

14 ¶ Now therefore feare the LORD, and serue him in sincerity, and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers serued on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt, and serue ye the LORD.

15 And if it seeme euill vnto you to serue the LORD, chuse you this day whom you will serue: whether the gods which your fathers serued that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serue the LORD.

16 And the people answered, and said, God forbid, that we should forsake the LORD, to serue other gods.

17 For the LORD our God, he *it is* that brought vs vp, and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and which did those great signes in our sight, and preserued vs in all the way wherein we went, and among all the people through whom we passed.

18 And the LORD draue out from before vs all the people, euen the Amorites which dwelt in the land: *therefore* will we also serue the LORD, for he is our God.

19 And Iosh. said vnto the people, Ye cannot serue the LORD: for he is an holy God, he is a iealous God, he will not forgiue your transgressions nor your sinnes.

20 If ye forsake the LORD, and serue

...h, when he will curse, and destroy you, and do you hurt, and ...ome you after that he hath done you good.

17 And the people said vnto Iosh. Nay, but we will serue the LORD.

18 And Iosh. said vnto the people, Ye are witnesses against your selues, that ye haue chosen you the LORD, to serue him. And they said, *We are witnesses.*

19 Now therefore put away, *said he*, the strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart vnto the LORD God of Israel.

20 And the people said vnto Iosh. The LORD our God will we serue, and his voyce will we obey.

21 So Iosh. made a couenant with the people that day, and set them a statute, and an ordinance in Shechem.

22 And Iosh. wrote these words in the booke of the Law of God, and tooke a great stone, and set it vp there vnder an oake, that was by the Sanctuary of the LORD.

23 And Iosh. said vnto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witnesse vnto vs; for it hath heard all the words of the LORD, which he spake vnto vs: it shall be therefore a witnesse vnto you, lest ye deny your God.

28 So Iosh. let the people depart, euery man vnto his inheritance.

29 ¶ And it came to passe after these things, that Iosh. the sonne of Nun the seruant of the LORD died, being an hundred and ten yeeres old.

30 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in * Timnath-Serah, which is in mount Ephraim, on the North side of the hill of Gaash. * Chap. 19. 50.

31 And Israel serued the LORD all the dayes of Iosh. and all the dayes of the Elders that † ouerlined Iosh. and which had knowne all the workes of the LORD, that he had done for Israel. † Heb. prolonged their dayes after Iosh.

32 ¶ And * the bones of Ioseph, which the children of Israel brought vp out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in a parcell of ground which Iacob bought of * the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem, for an hundred † peices of siluer, and it became the inheritance of the children of Ioseph. * Gen. 50. 25. Exod. 13. 19. † Or, lambes. * Gen. 33. 19.

33 And Eleazar the sonne of Aaron died, and they buried him in a hill that pertained to Phinehas his son, which was giuen him in mount Ephraim.

¶ THE BOOKE OF IVDGES.

CHAP. I.

¶ The acts of Iudah and Simeon. 4 Adoni-bezek is ...quited. 8 Ierusalem taken. 10 Hebron taken. 11 Othniel hath Achsah to wife for taking of Debir. 16 The Kenites dwell in Iudah. 17 Hormah, Gaza, Ashkelon, & Ekron taken. 21 The acts of Beniamin. 22 Of the house of Ioseph who take Bethel. 30 Of Zebulun. 31 Of Asher. 33 Of Naphtali. 34 Of Dan.

NOw after the death of Iosh. it came to passe, that the children of Israel asked the LORD, saying, Who shall goe vp for vs against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?

2 And the LORD said, Iudah shall goe vp: behold, I haue deliuered the land into his hand.

3 And Iudah said vnto Simeon his brother, Come vp with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites, and I likewise will goe with thee into thy lot. So Simeon went with him.

4 And Iudah went vp, and the LORD deliuered the Canaanites, and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men.

5 And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.

6 But Adoni-bezek fled, and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbes, and his great toes.

7 And Adoni-bezek said, Threescore and ten kings hauing † their thumbes, and their great toes cut off, gathered their meate vnder my table: as I haue done, so God hath requited me: and they brought him to Ierusalem, and there he died.

8 Now the children of Iudah had fought against Ierusalem, and had taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.)

9 ¶ And afterward the children of Iudah went downe to fight against † Canaanites that dwelt in the mountaine, and in the South, and in the valley.

10 And Iudah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron, (now the name of Hebron before was Kiriath-arba) and they slew Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai.

11 And from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir, (and the name of Debir before was Kiriath-sepher.)

12 And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kiriath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I giue Achsah my daughter to wife.

13 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Calebs yonger brother tooke it: and hee gaue him Achsah his daughter to wife.

14 And it came to passe when she came *to him*, that she mooued him to aske of her father a field: and she lighted from off her asse, and Caleb said vnto her, What wilt thou?

15 And she said vnto him, Giue me a blessing: for thou hast giuen me a South land, giue me also springs of water. And Caleb gaue her the vpper springs, and the nether springs.

16 ¶ And the children of the Kenite, Moses father in law, went vp out of the city of palme trees, with the children of Iudah into the wildernesse of Iudah, which *lieth* in the South of Arad: and they went and dwelt among the people.

17 And Iudah went with Simeon his brother, and they slew the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and vtterly destroyed it. (And the name of the * city was called Hormah.) * Numb. 21. 3.

18 Also Iudah tooke Gaza with the coast thereof, and Askelon with the coast thereof, and Ekron with the coast thereof.

19 And the LORD was with Iudah, and he † drane out *the inhabitants* of the mountaine, but could not drine out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had charets of yron. † *Or, he possessed the mountaine.*

20 And they gaue Hebron vnto Caleb, as Moses said: and he expelled thence the three sonnes of Anak. * Numb. 14. 24. Iosh. 14. 12.

21 And the children of Beniamin did not drine out the Iebusites that inhabited Ierusalem: but the Iebusites dwell with the children of Beniamin in Ierusalem, vnto this day.

22 ¶ And the house of Ioseph, they also went vp against Bethel: and the LORD was with them.

23 And the house of Ioseph sent to descry Bethel,

(now the name of the city before was * Luz.)

Gen. 28.19.

24 And the spies saw a man come foorth out of the city, and they said vnto him, Shew vs, we pray thee, the entrance into the city, and * we will shew thee mercy.

*Iosh. 2,14.

25 And when he shewed them the entrance into the city, they smote the city with the edge of the sword: but they let go the man and all his family.

26 And the man went into the land of the Hittites, and built a city, and called the name thereof Luz: which is the name thereof vnto this day.

*Iosh.17, 11,12.

27 ¶ Neither did Manasseh drive out *the inhabitants* of Bethshean, and her townes, and Taanach, and her townes, nor the inhabitants of Dor, and her townes, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam, and her townes, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo, and her townes: but the Canaanites would dwell in † land.

28 And it came to passe when Israel was strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute, and did not vtterly drive them out.

*Iosh. 16,10.

29 ¶ * Neither did Ephraim drive out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwelt in Gezer among them.

30 ¶ Neither did Zebulun drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the inhabitants of Nahalol: but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries.

31 ¶ Neither did Asher drive out the inhabitants of Accho, nor † inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor Achzib, nor Helbath, nor Aphik, nor of Rehob:

32 But the Asherites dwelt among the Canaanites the inhabitants of the land: for they did not drive them out.

33 ¶ Neither did Naphtali drive out the inhabitants of Bethshemesh, nor the inhabitants of Bethanath, but he dwelt among the Canaanites the inhabitants of the land: neuertheless, the inhabitants of Bethshemesh, and of Bethanath, became tributaries vnto them.

34 And the Amorites forced the children of Dan into the mountaine: for they would not suffer them to come downe to the valley.

† Heb. *mount heaues.*

35 But the Amorites would dwel in mount Heres in Aijalon, & in Shaalbim: yet the hand of the house of Ioseph † prevailed, so † they became tributaries.

† Or, *Maale-Akrabbim,*

36 And the coast of the Amorites was from the going vp to Akrabbim, from the rock, and vpward.

CHAP. II.

1 An Angel reproueth the people at Bochim. 6 The wickednes of thenew generation after Iosh ua. 14 Gods anger and pity towards them. 20 The Canaanites are left to proue Israel.

1 AND an Angel of the LORD came vp from Gilgal to Bochim, and said, I made you to goe vp out of Egypt, and haue brought you vnto the land which I sware vnto your fathers, and I said, I will neuer breake my covenant with you.

2 And * ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land, * you shall throw downe their altars: But ye haue not obeyed my voyce: Why haue ye done this?

3 Wherefore I also said, I wil not drive them out from before you: but they shalbe * as thornes in your sides, and their gods shall be a * snare vnto you.

4 And it came to passe when the Angel of the LORD spake these words vnto all the children of Israel, that the people lift vp their voice and wept.

5 And they called the name of that place, ‖ Bochim: And they sacrificed there vnto the LORD.

6 ¶ And when Iosh ua had let the people goe, the children of Israel went every man vnto his inheritance to possesse the land.

Or, *messenger.*

*Deut. 7.2.

*Deut. 12.3.

*Iosh. 23.13.

*Exod. 23.33. & 34.12.

‖ *That is,* weepers.

7 And the people serued the LORD all the dayes of Ioshua, and all the dayes of the Elders that ouerlined Ioshua, who had seene all the great works of the LORD that he did for Israel.

8 And Ioshua the son of Nun the seruant of the LORD died, being an hundred and ten yeares old.

9 And they buried him in the border of his heritance in Timnath-Heres, in the mount of Ephraim on the North side of the hill Gaash.

10 And also all that generation were gathered vnto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet the workes which he had done for Israel.

11 ¶ And the children of Israel did euill in the sight of the LORD, and serued Baalim:

12 And they forsooke the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them out of the land of Egypt, & followed other gods, of the gods of the people that were round about them, and bowed themselues vnto them, & prouoked the LORD to anger.

13 And they forsooke the LORD, and serued Baal and Ashtaroth.

14 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, & he deliuered them into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and * he sold them into the hands of their enemies round about, so that they could not any longer stand before their enemies.

15 Whithersoeuer they went out, the hand of the LORD was against them for euill, as the LORD had said, and as the LORD had sworne vnto them: and they were greatly distressed.

16 ¶ Neuertheless, the LORD raised vp Iudges, which † deliuered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them.

17 And yet they would not hearken vnto their Iudges, but they went a whoring after other gods, and bowed themselues vnto them: they turned quickly out of the way, which their fathers walked in, obeying the commandements of the LORD: but they did not so.

18 And when the LORD raised them vp Iudges, then the LORD was with the Iudge, and deliuered them out of the hand of their enemies all the dayes of the Iudge (for it repented the LORD, because of their groanings, by reason of them that oppressed them, and vexed them:)

19 And it came to passe * when the Iudge was dead, that they returned and corrupted themselues more then their fathers, in following other gods to serue them, and to bow downe vnto them: † they ceased not from their owne doings, nor from their stubborne way.

20 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he said, Because that this people hath transgressed my couenant which I commanded their fathers, and haue not hearkened vnto my voyce;

21 I also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations which Ioshua left when he died:

22 That through them I may proue Israel, whether they will keepe the way of the LORD to walk therein, as their fathers did keepe it, or no.

23 Therefore the LORD ‖ left those nations, without driuing them out hastily, neither deliuered he them into the hand of Ioshua.

CHAP. III.

1 The nations which were left to proue Israel. 5 Their communion with them, they commit idolatry. 7 He deliuereth them from Cushan-Rishathaim. 9 Othniel. 12 Eglon. 31 Shamgar.

NOw these are the nations which the LORD left to proue Israel by them, (euen

not known all the warres of Canaan;
5 (But whom the generations of the children of Israel might learne to teach them warre, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof.)
6 Namely, fiue lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Zidonians, and the Hiuites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon vnto the entring in of Hamath.
4 And they were to proue Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken vnto the Commandements of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.
5 ¶ And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites Hittites, and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hiuites, and Iebusites,
6 And they tooke their daughters to be their wiues, and gaue their daughters to their sonnes, and serued their gods.
7 And the children of Israel did euill in the sight of the LORD, and forgate the LORD their God, and serued Baalim, and the groues.
8 ¶ Therefore the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hand of Chushan-Rishathaim King of † Mesopotamia: and the children of Israel serued Chushan-Rishathaim eight yeeres.
9 And when the children of Israel cried vnto the LORD, the LORD raised vp a ¶ deliuerer to the children of Israel, who deliuered them, *euen* Othniel the sonne of Kenaz Calebs younger brother.
10 And the Spirit of the LORD † came vpon him, and he iudged Israel, and went out to warre, and the LORD deliuered Chushan-Rishathaim king of † Mesopotamia into his hand, and his hand preuailed against Chushan-Rishathaim.
11 And the land had rest forty yeeres and Othniel the sonne of Kenaz died.
12 ¶ And the children of Israel did euill againe in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD strengthened Eglon the King of Moab against Israel, because they had done euill in the sight of the LORD.
13 And he gathered vnto him the children of Ammon and Amalek, and went and smote Israel, and possessed the city of palme trees.
14 So the children of Israel serued Eglon the King of Moab eighteene yeeres.
15 But when the children of Israel cried vnto the LORD, the LORD raised them vp a deliuerer, Ehud the sonne of Gera, a Benjamite, a man lefte handed: and by him the children of Israel sent a present vnto Eglon the King of Moab.
16 But Ehud made him a dagger (which had two edges) of a cubite length, and he did gird it vnder his raiment vpon his right thigh,
17 And he brought the present vnto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon was a very fat man.
18 And when he had made an end to offer the present, he sent away the people that bare the present,
19 But he himselfe turned againe from the quarries that were by Gilgal, and said, I haue a secret errand vnto thee, O King: who said, Keepe silence: And all that stood by him went out from him.
20 And Ehud came vnto him, and he was sitting in a sommer parlour, which he had for himselfe alone: and Ehud said, I haue a message from God vnto thee. And he arose out of his seat.
21 And Ehud put forth his left hand, and tooke the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly.
22 And the hafte also went in after the blade: & the fat closed vpon the blade, so that he could not draw the dagger out of his belly, & the ‖ dirt came out.
23 Then Ehud went foorth through the porch, and shut the doores of the parlour vpon him, and locked them.
24 When he was gone out his seruants came and when they saw, that behold the doores of the parlour were locked, they said, Surely he ‖ couereth his feet in his sommer chamber.
25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and behold he opened not the doores of the parlour, therefore they tooke a key, and opened *them*: and behold, their lord was fallen downe dead on the earth.
26 And Ehud escaped wile they tarried and passed beyond the quarries, and escaped vnto Seirath.
27 And it came to passe when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in the mountaine of Ephraim, and the children of Israel went downe with him from the mount and he before them.
28 And he said vnto them, Follow after me: for the LORD hath delinered your enemies the Moabites into your hand. And they went downe after him, and tooke the fords of Iordane toward Moab, and suffered not a man to passe ouer.
29 And they slew of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, all † lusty, and all men of valour, and there escaped not a man.
30 So Moab was subdued that day vnder the hand of Israel: and the land had rest fourescore yeeres.
31 ¶ And after him was Shamgar the sonne of Anath, which slew of the Philistines fiue hundred men with an oxe goad, and he also deliuered Israel.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Deborah and Barak deliuer them from Iabin and Sisera. 18 Iael killeth Sisera.

AND the children of Israel againe did euill in the sight of the LORD, when Ehud was dead.
2 And the LORD sold them into the hand of Iabin king of Canaan: that reigned in Hazor, the captaine of whose hoste was Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles.
3 And the children of Israel cryed vnto the LORD: for he had nine hundred charets of yron: and twenty yeeres hee mightily oppressed the children of Israel.
4 ¶ And Deborah a propheteſſe, the wife of Lapidoth, she iudged Israel at that time.
5 And she dwelt vnder the palme tree of Deborah, betweene Ramah and Bethel in mount Ephraim: and the children of Israel came vp to her for iudgement.
6 And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam, out of Kedesh-Naphtali, and said vnto him, Hath not the LORD God of Israel commanded, *saying*, Goe and draw towards mount Tabor, and take with thee ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children of Zebulun?
7 And I will draw vnto thee to the riuer Kishon, Sisera the captaine of Iabins army, with his charets, and his multitude, and I will deliuer him into thine hand.
8 And Barak said vnto her, If thou wilt goe with me, then I will goe: but if thou wilt not goe with me, then I will not goe.
9 And shee said, I will surely goe with thee, notwithstanding, the iourney that thou takest shall not be for thine honour: for the LORD shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh.
10 ¶ And Barak called Zebulun, and Naphtali to Kedesh, and he went vp with ten thousand men at his feet: and Deborah went vp with him.
11 Now Heber the Kenite which was of the children of * Hobab the father in law of Moses, had

Or, decketh his cassment.

† *Heb.* fat.

Psal. 83. 9. &c.

* *Numb.* 10. 29.

senered himselfe from the Kenites, and pitched his tent vnto † plaine of Zaanaim, which is by Kedesh.

12 And they shewed Sisera, that Barak the son of Abinoam, was gone vp to mount Tabor.

† Hebr. gathered by cry or proclamation.

13 And Sisera † gathered together all his charets, euen nine hundred charets of yron, and all the people that were with him, from Harosheth of the Gentiles, vnto the riuer of Kishon.

14 And Deborah said vnto Barak: Vp, for this *is* the day in which the LORD hath deliuered Sisera into thine hand: Is not the LORD gone out before thee? so Barak went downe from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him.

*Psal. 83.10.

15 And the *LORD discomfited Sisera, and all his charets, and all his host, with the edge of the sword, before Barak: so that Sisera lighted downe off his caret, and fled away on his feet.

16 But Barak pursued after the charets, and after the hoste, vnto Harosheth of the Gentiles, and all the hoste of Sisera fell vpon the edge of the sword; *and* there was not † a man left.

† Hebr. vnto out.

17 Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet, to the tent of Iael, the wife of Heber, the Kenite: for there was peace betweene Iabin the King of Hazor, and the house of Heber the Kenite.

18 ¶ And Iael went out to meete Sisera, and said vnto him, Turne in, my lord; turne in to me, feare not. And when he had turned in vnto her, into the tent, she couered him with a ‖ mantle.

‖ Or rug, or blanket.

19 And he said vnto her, Giue me I pray thee, a little water to drinke, for I am thirstie. And shee opened *a bottle of milke, and gaue him drinke, and couered him.

*Chap. 5.25.

20 Againe he said vnto her, Stand in the doore of the tent, and it shall be when any man doth come and enquire of thee, and say, Is there any man here? that thou shalt say, No.

† Hebr. Put.

21 Then Iael, Hebers wife, † tooke a naile of the tent, and tooke an hammer in her hand, and went softly vnto him, and smote the naile into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: (for he was fast asleepe, and weary;) so he died.

22 And behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Iael came out to meete him, and said vnto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And when he came into her *tent*, Behold, Sisera lay dead, and the naile *was* in his temples.

23 So God subdued on that day, Iabin the king of Canaan, before the children of Israel.

† Hebr. going went and wandered

24 And † hand of the children of Israel † prospered, & preuailed against Iabin the King of Canaan, vntill they had destroyed Iabin King of Canaan.

CHAP. V.

1 *The Song of Deborah and Barak.*

*Deut. 4.11.

THen sang Deborah, and Barak, the sonne of Abinoam, on that day, saying,

*Psal. 97.5.

2 Praise ye the LORD, for the auenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselues.

† Hebr. I, euen I,

3 Heare, O ye Kings, giue eare, O yee Princes: I, euen I, will sing vnto the LORD, I will sing *praise* vnto the LORD God of Israel.

*Exod. 19.18 *Chap. 5.31. *Chap. 4.18.

4 LORD, *when thou wentest out of Seir, when thou marchedst out of the field of Edom, the earth trembled, and the heauens dropped, the clouds also dropped water.

† Heb. melted

5 *The mountaines † melted from before the LORD, euen *that Sinai, from before the LORD God of Israel.

† Hebr. walkers of pathes, † Hebr. crooked wayes.

6 In the dayes of *Shamgar, the sonne of Anath, in the dayes of Iael, the high wayes were vnoccupied, and the † trauellers walked thorow † by-wayes.

7 *The inhabitants* of the villages ceased, they ceased in Israel, vntill that I Deborah arose, I arose a mother in Israel.

8 They chose new gods; then was warre in the gates: Was there a shield or speare seene among forty thousand in Israel?

9 My heart is towards the gouernours of Israel, that offered themselues willingly among the people: Blesse ye the LORD.

10 ‖ Speake ye that ride on white asses, ye that sit in iudgement, and walke by the way.

11 *They that are deliuered* from the noise of archers, in the places of drawing water; there shall they rehearse the righteous acts of the LORD, *euen* the † righteous acts *towards the inhabitants* of his villages in Israel: then shall the people of the LORD goe downe to the gates.

12 Awake, awake Deborah: awake, awake, vtter a song: arise Barak, and lead thy captiuity captiue, thou sonne of Abinoam.

13 Then he made him that remaineth, have dominion ouer the nobles among the people: the LORD made me haue dominion ouer the mighty.

14 Out of Ephraim was there a root of them against Amalek, after thee Beniamin, among thy people; out of Machir came downe gouernours, and out of Zebulun they that † handle the pen of the writer.

15 And the Princes of Issachar *were* with Deborah euen Issachar, and also Barak, he was sent on † foot into the valley: for the diuisions of Reuben *there were* great † thoughts of heart.

16 Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds, to heare the bleatings of the flocks? ‖ for the diuisions of Reuben *there were* great searchings of heart.

17 Gilead abode beyond Iordan: and why did Dan remaine in ships? Asher continued on the sea shore, and abode in his ‖ breaches.

18 Zebulun and Naphtali *were a* people that † ieoparded their liues vnto the death, in the high places of the field.

19 The Kings came *and* fought, then fought the Kings of Canaan in Taanach, by the waters of Megiddo, they tooke no gaine of money.

20 They fought from heauen, the starres in their † courses fought against Sisera.

21 The riuer of Kishon swept them away, that ancient riuer, the riuer Kishon: O my soule, thou hast troden downe strength.

22 Then were the horse hoofes broken, by the meanes of the ‖ prancings, the prancings of their mighty ones.

23 Curse ye Meroz, (said the Angel of the LORD) curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the helpe of the LORD, to the helpe of the LORD against the mighty.

24 Blessed aboue women shall Iael the wife of Heber the Kenite be, blessed shall she be aboue women in the tent.

25 He asked water, *and* she gaue him milke, she brought forth butter in a lordly dish.

26 She put her hand to the naile, and her right hand to the workmens hammer: and with the hammer she † smote Sisera, she smote off his head, when she had pierced and stricken thorow his temples?

27 † At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay downe: at her feet he bowed, he fell: where he bowed, there he fell downe † dead.

28 The mother of Sisera looked out at a window, and cryed thorow the lattesse, Why is his caret so long in comming? why tarry the wheeles of his charets?

29 Her wise ladies answered her, yea, she † answered to her selfe,

...e they not sped? haue they *not* diuided the prey, † to euery mans damosell or two? To Sisera a prey of diuers colours, a prey of diuers colours of needlework, of diuers colours of needle worke on both sides, meet ‖for the necks of *them* that take the spoile?

31 So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but *let* them that loue him, *be* as the Sunne when he goeth forth in his might. And the land had rest fourty yeeres.

CHAP. VI.

1 *The Israelites for their sinne are oppressed by Midian.* 8 *A Prophet rebuketh them.* 11 *An Angel sendeth Gideon for their deliuerance.* 17 *Gideon Presents is consumed with fire.* 24 *Gideon destroyeth Baals altar, and offereth a sacrifice vpon the Altar Iehouah-Shalom.* 28 *Ioash defendeth his sonne and calleth him Ierubbaal.* 33 *Gideons army.* 36 *Gideon signes.*

AND the children of Israel did euill in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD deliuered them into the hand of Midian seuen yeeres.

2 And the hand of Midian † preuailed against Israel: and because of the Midianites, the children of Israel made them the dennes which *are* in the mountaines, and caues, and strong holds.

3 And so it was when Israel had sowen, that the Midianites came vp, & the Amalekites, & the children of the East, Euen they came vp against them,

4 And they encamped against them, and destroyed the encrease of the earth till thou come vnto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel, neither ‖ sheepe nor oxe, nor asse.

5 For they came vp with their cattell, and their tents, and they came as grashoppers for multitude, for both they and their camels were without number: and they entred into the land to destroy it.

6 And Israel was greatly impouerished, because of the Midianites, and the children of Israel cryed vnto the LORD.

7 ¶ And it came to passe when the children of Israel cryed vnto the LORD, because of the Midianites,

8 That the LORD sent † a Prophet vnto the children of Israel, which said vnto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, ‖ I brought you vp from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage,

9 And I deliuered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drane them out from before you, and gaue you their land:

10 And I said vnto you, I *am* the LORD your God, ‖ feare not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but ye haue not obeyed my voice.

11 ¶ And there came an Angel of the LORD, and sate vnder an Oake which *was* in Ophrah, that pertained vnto Ioash the Abi-Ezrite: and his sonne Gideon threshed wheate by the winepresse, † to hide *it* from the Midianites.

12 And the Angel of the LORD appeared vnto him, and said vnto him, The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man of valour.

13 And Gideon said vnto him, Oh my lord, if the LORD be with vs, why then is all this befallen vs? & where be all his miracles which our fathers told vs of, saying, Did not the LORD bring vs vp from Egypt? but now the LORD hath forsaken vs, and deliuered vs into the hands of the Midianites.

14 And the LORD looked vpon him, and said, Goe in this thy might, and thou shalt saue Israel from the hand of the Midianites: haue not I sent thee?

15 And he said vnto him, Oh my lord, wherewith shall I saue Israel? behold, ‖ my family is poore in Manasseh, and I *am* the least in my fathers house.

16 And the LORD said vnto him, Surely I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the Midianites as one man.

17 And he said vnto him, If now I haue found grace in thy sight, then shew me a signe that thou talkest with me.

18 Depart not hence, I pray thee, vntill I come vnto thee; and bring forth my ‖ Present, and set it before thee. And he said, I will tarry vntill thou come againe.

19 ¶ And Gideon went in, and made ready † a kid, and vnleauened cakes of an Ephah of floure: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought *it* out vnto him vnder the oake, and presented it.

20 And the Angel of God said vnto him, Take the flesh, and the vnleauened cakes and lay them vpon this rocke, and powre out the broth. And he did so.

21 ¶ Then the Angel of the LORD put foorth the end of the staffe that *was* in his hand, and touched the flesh, and the vnleauened cakes, and there rose vp fire out of the rocke and consumed the flesh, and the vnleauened cakes: then the Angel of the LORD departed out of his sight.

22 And when Gideon perceiued that hee was an Angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O Lord GOD: * for because I haue seene an Angel of the LORD face to face.

23 And the LORD said vnto him, Peace be vnto thee, feare not, thou shalt not die.

24 Then Gideon built an Altar there vnto the LORD, and called it ‖ Iehouah-shalom: vnto this day, it *is* yet in Ophrah of the Abi-Ezrites.

25 ¶ And it came to passe the same night, that the LORD said vnto him, take thy fathers young bullocke, ‖ euen the second bullocke of seuen yeeres old, and throw downe the altar of Baal that thy father hath, and cut downe the grone that *is* by it:

26 And build an Altar vnto the LORD thy God vpon the top of this † rocke, in ‖ the ordered place, and take the second bullock, and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grone, which thou shalt cut downe.

27 Then Gideon tooke ten men of his seruants, and did as the LORD had said vnto him: And so it was, because he feared his fathers household, and the men of the citie, that he could not do *it* by day, that he did *it* by night.

28 ¶ And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold the altar of Baal was cast downe, and the grone was cut downe that was by it, and the second bullocke was offered vpon the Altar that was built.

29 And they said one to another, Who hath done this thing? And when they enquired and asked, they said, Gideon the sonne of Ioash hath done this thing.

30 Then the men of the city said vnto Ioash, Bring out thy sonne, that hee may die: because hee hath cast downe the altar of Baal, and because hee hath cut downe the grone that *was* by it.

31 And Ioash said vnto all y^t stood against him, Will ye pleade for Baal? Will ye saue him? He that will pleade for him, let him be put to death whilst *it is* yet morning: if he be a god, let him pleade for himselfe, because one hath cast downe his altar.

32 Therefore on that day hee called him Ierubbaal, saying, Let Baal pleade against him, because he hath throwne downe his altar.

33 ¶ Then all the Midianites, & the Amalekites, and

Or, my thousand is the meanest.

Or, meate offering.

† *Hebr. a kid of the goats.*

Exod. 33.20. chap. 13. 22.

‖ *That is, the Lord send peace.*

Or, and,

† *Hebr. strong place.*

Or, in an orderly manner.

and the children of ſ East were gathered together, and went ouer, and pitched in the valley of Iezreel.

† Hebr. cloathed.

34 But the Spirit of the LORD † came vpon Gideon, and he *blew a trumpet, and Abiezer † was gathered after him.

*Numb. 10.3.cha. 3.27.

† Hebr. was called after him.

35 And he ſent meſſengers thorowout all Manaſſeh, who alſo was gathered after him: and he ſent meſſengers vnto Aſher, and vnto Zebulun, and vnto Naphtali, and they came vp to meet them.

36 ¶ And Gideon ſaid vnto God, If thou wilt ſaue Iſrael by mine hand, as thou haſt ſaid,

37 Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in ſ floore: and if the deaw be on the fleece onely, and it be dry vpon all ſ earth beſide, then ſhall I know that thou wilt ſaue Iſrael by mine hand, as thou haſt ſaide.

38 And it was ſo: for he roſe vp early on the morrow and thruſt the fleece together, and wringed the deaw out of the fleece, a bowle full of water.

*Gen. 18. 30.

39 And Gideon ſaid vnto God,* Let not thine anger be hot againſt me, and I will ſpeake but this once: Let me proue, I pray thee, but this once with the fleece, Let it now be dry onely vpon the fleece, and vpon all the ground let there be deaw.

40 And God did ſo that night: for it was dry vpon the fleece onely, and there was dew on all the ground.

CHAP. VII.

1 Gideons army of two and thirty thouſand, is brought to three hundred. 9 He is incouraged by the dreame and interpretation of the barley cake. 16 His ſtratagem of trumpets, and lamps in pitchers. 24 The Ephraimites take Oreb and Zeeb.

THen Ierubbaal (who is Gideon) and all the people that were with him, roſe vp early, and pitched beſide the well of Harod: ſo that the hoſte of the Midianites were on the North ſide of them, by the hill of Moreh in the valley.

2 And the LORD ſaid vnto Gideon, The people that are with thee, *are* too many for me to giue the Midianites into their hands, leſt Iſrael vaunt themſelues againſt mee, ſaying, Mine owne hand hath ſaued me.

3 Now therefore go to, proclaime in the eares of the people, ſaying, *Whoſoeuer is fearfull & afraid, let him returne and depart early from mount Gilead: and there returned of the people twenty and two thouſand, and there remained ten thouſand.

*Deut. 20.8. Iudg. 7.

4 And the LORD ſaid vnto Gideon, The people *are* yet too many, bring them downe vnto the water and I will try them for thee there: and it ſhall be, that of whom I ſay vnto thee, This ſhall goe with thee, the ſame ſhall goe with thee: and of whomſoeuer I ſay vnto thee, This ſhall not goe with thee, the ſame ſhall not goe.

5 So he brought downe the people vnto the water: and the LORD ſaid vnto Gideon, Euery one that lappeth of the water with his tongue as a dog lappeth, him ſhalt thou ſet by himſelfe, likewiſe euery one that boweth downe vpon his knees to drinke.

6 And the number of them that lapped *putting* their hand to their mouth, were three hundred men: but all the reſt of the people bowed downe vpon their knees to drinke water.

7 And the LORD ſaid vnto Gideon, by the three hundred men that lapped, will I ſaue you, and deliuer the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the *other* people goe euery man vnto his place.

8 So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and hee ſent all *the reſt of* Iſrael, euery man vnto his tent, and retained thoſe three hundred men: and the hoſte of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

9 ¶ And it came to paſſe the ſame night, that the LORD ſaid vnto him, Ariſe, get thee downe vnto the hoſte, for I haue deliuered it into thine hand.

10 But if thou feare to goe downe, goe thou with Phurah thy ſeruant downe to the hoſte.

11 And thou ſhalt heare what they ſay, and afterwards ſhall thine hands be ſtrengthened to goe downe vnto the hoſte. Then went hee downe with Phurah his ſeruant, vnto the outſide of the armed men that were in the hoſte.

12 And the Midianites, and the Amalekites, and *all the children of the Eaſt, lay along in the valley like graſſhoppers for multitude, and their camels were without number, as the ſand by the ſea ſide for multitude.

13 And when Gideon was come, behold, there was a man that told a dreame vnto his fellow, and ſaid, Behold, I dreamed a dreame, and lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the hoſte of Midian, and came into a tent, and ſmote it that it fell, and ouerturned it, that the tent lay along.

14 And his fellow anſwered, and ſaid, This is nothing elſe ſaue the ſword of Gideon the ſonne of Ioaſh a man of Iſraels: *for* into his hand hath God delinered Midian, and all the hoſte.

15 ¶ And it was ſo, when Gideon heard the telling of the dreame, and † the interpretation thereof, that he worſhipped, and returned into the hoſte of Iſrael, and ſaid, Ariſe, for the LORD hath delinered into your hand the hoſte of Midian.

16 And he diuided the three hundred men into three compaines, and hee put a † trumpet in euery mans hand, with empty pitchers, and ‖ lampes within the pitchers,

17 And he ſaid vnto them, Looke on me, and do likewiſe: and behold, when I come to the outſide of the campe, it ſhalbe that as I doe, ſo ſhall ye do.

18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that are with mee, then blow yee the trumpets alſo on euery ſide of all the campe, and ſay, *The ſword* of the LORD, and of Gideon.

19 ¶ So Gideon and the hundred men that were with him, came vnto the outſide of the campe in the beginning of the middle watch, and they had but newly ſet the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers that were in their hands.

20 And the three compaines blew the trumpets and brake the pitchers, and held the lampes in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow withall: and they cryed, The ſword of the LORD and of Gideon.

21 And they ſtood euery man in his place, round about the campe, and all the hoſte ran, and cryed and fled.

22 And the three hundred blew the trumpets, and *the LORD ſet euery mans ſword againſt his fellow, euen throughout all the hoſte: and the hoſte fled to Beth-ſhittah, in Zererath, and to the border of Abi-l-Meholah, vnto Tabbath.

23 And the men of Iſrael gathered themſelues together out of Naphtali, and out of Aſher, and out of all Manaſſeh, and purſued after the Midianites.

24 ¶ And Gideon ſent meſſengers throughout all mount Ephraim, ſaying, Come downe againſt the Midianites, and take before them the waters vnto Beth-Barah and Iordan. Then all the men of Ephraim gathered themſelues together and tooke the waters vnto Beth-Barah, and Iordan.

25 And they tooke *two Princes of the Midianites, Oreb, and Zeeb: and they ſlew Oreb vpon the rocke Oreb, and Zeeb they ſlew at the wine-

Zeb, and pursued Midian, & brought the heads of Oreb and Zeb to Gideon on the other side Iordan.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Gideon pacifieth the Ephraimites. 4 Succoth and Penuel refuse to relieue Gideons army, 10 Zebah and Zalmunna are taken. 13 Succoth and Penuel are destroyed. 19 Gideon reuengeth his brethrens death on Zebah and Zalmunna. 22 He refuseth gouernment: 24 His Ephod cause of idolatry. 28 Midian subdued. 29 Gideons children and death. 33 The Israelites idolatry and ingratitude.

AND the men of Ephraim said vnto him, †Why hast thou serued vs thus, that thou calledst vs not when thou wentest to fight with the Midianites? And they did chide with him † sharpely.

2 And he said vnto them, What haue I done now in comparison of you? Is not the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim, better then the vintage of Abiezer?

3 God hath deliuered into your hands the Princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeb: and what was I able to doe in comparison of you? then his † anger was abated toward him when he had said that.

4 ¶ And Gideon came to Iordan, *and* passed ouer, he, and the three hundred men that *were* with him, faint, yet pursuing *them*.

5 And he said vnto the men of Succoth, Giue, I pray you, loaues of bread vnto the people that follow me, for they *be* faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, Kings of Midian.

6 ¶ And the Princes of Succoth said, Are † hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hands, that we should giue bread vnto thine armie?

7 And Gideon said, therefore when the LORD hath deliuered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will † teare your flesh with the thorns of the wildernesse, and with briers.

8 ¶ And he went vp thence to Penuel, and spake vnto them likewise: and the men of Penuel answered him, as the men of Succoth had answered him.

9 And he spake also vnto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come againe in peace, I will breake downe this towre.

10 ¶ Now Zebah and Zalmunna *were* in Karkor, and their hostes with them, about fiftéene thousand men, all that were left of all the hostes of the children of the East: for there fell † an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword.

11 And Gideon went vp by the way of them that dwelt in tents on the East of Nobah and Iogbehah and smote the hoste: for the hoste was secure.

12 And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he pursued after them, and tooke the two Kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and † discomfited all the hoste.

13 ¶ And Gideon the son of Ioash returned from battell before the Sunne was vp,

14 And caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and enquired of him: and he † described vnto him the Princes of Succoth, and the Elders thereof, euen threescore and seuenteene men.

15 And he came vnto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold, Zebah and Zalmunna, with whom ye did vpbraid me, saying, Are the hands of Zebah, and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should giue bread vnto thy men that *are* weary?

16 And hee tooke the Elders of the citie, and thornes of the wildernesse, and briers and with them he † taught the men of Succoth.

17 And he beat downe the towre of *Penuel, and slew the men of the citie.

18 Then said he vnto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men were they whom ye slew at Tabor? and they answered, As thou art, so *were* they, each one † resembled the children of a King.

19 And he said, They were my brethren, *euen* the sons of my mother: as the LORD liueth, if ye had saued them aliue, I would not slay you.

20 And he said vnto Iether his first borne, Vp, *and* slay them: but the youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he was yet a youth.

21 Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise thou, and fall vpon vs: for as the man *is*, so is his strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and tooke away the †ornaments that *were* on their camels necks.

22 ¶ Then the men of Israel said vnto Gideon, Rule thou ouer vs, both thou and thy son, and thy sonnes sonne also: for thou hast deliuered vs from the hand of Midian.

23 And Gideon said vnto them, I will not rule ouer you, neither shall my sonne rule ouer you: the LORD shall rule ouer you.

24 ¶ And Gideon said vnto them, I would desire a request of you, that ye would giue mee euery man the eare-rings of his prey. For they had golden eare rings, because they were Ishmaelites.

25 And they answered, We will willingly giue *them*. And they spread a garment, and did cast therein euery man the eare-rings of his prey.

26 And the weight of the golden eare-rings that he requested, was a thousand & seuen hundred *sickels* of gold, beside ornaments & ‖ collars, & purple raiment that *was* on the Kings of Midian, & beside the chaines that *were* about their camels neckes.

27 And Gideon made an Ephod thereof, and put it in his city, *euen* in Ophrah: and all Israel went thither a whoring after it: which thing became a snare vnto Gideon and to his house.

28 ¶ Thus was Midian subdued before the children of Israel, so that they lifted vp their heads no more: and the countrey was in quietnesse fourtie yeeres, in the dayes of Gideon.

29 ¶ And Ierubbaal the sonne of Ioash went and dwelt in his owne house.

30 And Gideon had threescore and ten sons † of his body begotten: for he had many wiues.

31 And his concubine † was in Shechem, she also bare him a son, whose name he † called Abimelech.

32 ¶ And Gideon the son of Ioash died in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulchre of Ioash his father, in Ophrah of the Abi-Ezrites.

33 And it came to passe, assoone as Gideon was dead, that the children of Israel turned againe, and went a whoring after Baalim, and made Baal-Berith their god.

34 And the children of Israel remembred not the LORD their God, who had deliuered them out of the hands of all their enemies on euery side:

35 Neither shewed they kindnesse to the house of Ierubbaal, *namely*, Gideon, according to all the goodnesse which he had shewed vnto Israel.

CHAP. IX.

1 Abimelech by conspiracy with the Shechemites, and murder of his brethren, is made King. 7 Iotham by a parable rebuketh them, and foretelleth their ruine. 22 Gaal conspireth with the Shechemites against him. 30 Zebul reuealeth it. 34 Abimelech ouercommeth them, and soweth the city with salt. 46 He burneth the hold of the god Berith. 50 At Thebez he is slaine. 56 Iothams curse is fulfilled.

AND Abimelech the son of Ierubbaal went to Shechem, vnto his mothers brethren, and communed with them, and with all the family of the house of his mothers father, saying,

2 Speake

† Heb. according to the forme, &c.

† Heb. or, ornament like the Moone.

† Heb. going out of his thigh.

† Heb. fell.

† Hebr. what is good? whether, &c.

2 Speake I pray you, in the eares of all the men of Shechem; † Whether is better for you, either that all the sonnes of Ierubbaal (which are threescore and ten persons) reigne ouer you, or that one reigne ouer you? Remember also, that I am your bone, and your flesh.

† Hebr. after.

3 And his mothers brethren spake of him in the eares of all the men of Shechem all these words, and their hearts enclined to† follow Abimelech: for they said, He is our brother.

4 And they gaue him threescore and ten pieces of siluer, out of the house of Baal-Berith, wherewith Abimelech hired vaine and light persons, which followed him.

5 And he went vnto his fathers house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren the sonnes of Ierubbaal, being threescore and ten persons, vpon one stone: notwithstanding, yet Iotham the yongest son of Ierubbaal was left; for he hid himselfe.

‖ Or, by the oake of the pillar, See Iosh. 24.26.

6 And all the men of Shechem gathered together, and all the house of Millo, and went and made Abimelech King, ‖ by the plaine of the pillar that was in Shechem.

7 ¶ And when they told it to Iotham, he went and stood in the top of mount Gerizim, and lift vp his voyce, and cryed, and said vnto them, Hearken vnto me, you men of Shechem, that God may hearken vnto you.

8 The trees went forth on a time to anoint a King ouer them, and they said vnto the Olive-tree, Reigne thou ouer vs.

‖ Or, goe] vp and downe for other trees.

9 But the Olive-tree said vnto them, Should I leaue my fatnesse, wherewith by me they honour God and man, and ‖ goe to be promoted ouer the trees?

10 And the trees said to the Fig tree, Come thou, and reigne ouer vs.

11 But the Fig-tree said vnto them, Should I forsake my sweetnesse, and my good fruit, and goe to be promoted ouer the trees?

12 Then said the trees vnto the Vine, Come thou, and reigne ouer vs.

13 And the Vine said vnto them, Should I leaue my wine which cheereth God and man, and goe to be promoted ouer the trees?

‖ Or, Thistle.

14 Then said all the trees vnto the ‖ Bramble, Come thou, and reigne ouer vs.

15 And the Bramble said vnto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me King ouer you, then come, and put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of the Bramble, and deuoure the Cedars of Lebanon.

16 Now therefore, if ye haue done truly and sincerely in that ye haue made Abimelech king, and if ye haue dealt well with Ierubbaal, and his house, and haue done vnto him according to the desruing of his hands:

† Hebr. cast his life.

17 (For my father fought for you, and† aduentured his life far, and deliuered you out of the hand of Midian:

18 And ye are risen vp against my fathers house this day, and haue slaine his sonnes, threescore and ten persons vpon one stone, and haue made Abimelech the sonne of his maid-seruant King ouer the men of Shechem, because he is your brother.)

19 If ye then haue dealt truly and sincerely with Ierubbaal, and with his house this day, then reioyce ye in Abimelech, and let him also reioyce in you.

20 But if not, let fire come out frō Abimelech, and deuoure the men of Shechem, & the house of Millo: and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and deuoure Abimelech.

21 And Iotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there for feare of Abimelech his brother.

22 ¶ When Abimelech had reigned three years ouer Israel,

23 Then God sent an euill spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem: and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech:

24 That the cruelty done to the threescore and ten sons of Ierubbaal might come, and their blood be laid vpon Abimelech their brother which slew them, and vpon the men of Shechem which† aided him in killing of his brethren.

25 And the men of Shechem set liers in wait for him in the top of the mountaines, and they robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech.

26 And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went ouer to Shechem: and the men of Shechem put their confidence in him.

27 And they went out into the fields, and gathered their vineyards, and trode the grapes, and made merry, and went into the house of their god, and did eat and drinke, and cursed Abimelech.

28 And Gaal the son of Ebed said, Who is Abimelech, and who is Shechem, that we should serue him? Is not he the sonne of Ierubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serue the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for why should we serue him?

29 And would to God this people were vnder my hand, then would I remoue Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech, Increase thine army, and come out.

30 ¶ And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the sonne of Ebed, his anger was ‖ kindled.

31 And he sent messengers vnto Abimelech secretly, saying, Behold, Gaal the son of Ebed, and his brethren be come to Shechem, and behold, they fortifie the city against thee.

32 Now therefore vp by night, thou and the people that is with thee, and lie in wait in the field:

33 And it shall be, that in the morning as soone as the Sunne is vp, thou shalt rise early, and set vpon the city: and behold, when he and the people that is with him come out against thee, then mayest thou doe to them† as thou shalt finde occasion.

34 ¶ And Abimelech rose vp, and all the people that were with him, by night, and they laid wait against Shechem in foure companies.

35 And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entring of the gate of the city: and Abimelech rose vp, and the people that were with him, from lying in wait.

36 And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold, there come people downe from the top of the mountaines. And Zebul said vnto him, Thou seest the shadow of the mountaines, as if they were men.

37 And Gaal spake againe, and said, See there come people downe by the† middle of the land, and another company come along by the plaine ‖ Meonenim.

38 Then said Zebul vnto him, Where is now thy mouth, wherewith thou saidst, Who is Abimelech, that we should serue him? Is not this the people that thou hast despised? Goe out, I pray now, and fight with them.

39 And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech.

40 And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and many were ouerthrowne and wounded, euen vnto the entring of the gate.

46 And Abimelech dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal and his brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem.

42 And it came to passe on the morrow, that the people went out into the field, and they told Abimelech.

43 And he tooke the people, and diuided them into three companies, and laid wait in the field, and looked, and behold, the people were come forth out of the city, and he rose vp against them, and smote them.

44 And Abimelech and the company that *was* with him rushed forward, and stood in the entring of the gate of the city: and the two other companies came vpon all the people that *were* in the fields, and slew them.

45 And Abimelech fought against the city all that day, and he tooke the city, and slew the people that was therein, and beat downe the city, and sowed it with salt.

46 ¶ And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard that, they entred into an hold of the house of the god Berith.

47 And it was told Abimelech, that all the men of the tower of Shechem were gathered together.

48 And Abimelech gat him vp to mount Zalmon, he and all the people that *were* with him, and Abimelech tooke an axe in his hand, and cut downe a bough from the trees, and tooke it, and laid *it* on his shoulder, and said vnto the people that *were* with him, What ye haue seene ‖ me do, make haste, and doe as I *haue done*.

49 And all the people likewise cut downe euery man his bough, and followed Abimelech, and put them to the holde, and set the holde on fire vpon them: so that all the men of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women.

50 ¶ Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and tooke it.

51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the men and women, and all they of the city and shut it to them, and gate them selues to the top of the tower.

52 And Abimelech came vnto the tower, and fought against it, and went hard vnto the doore of the tower to burne it with fire.

53 And a certaine woman *cast a piece of a milstone vpon Abimelechs head, and all to brake his scull.

54 Then he called hastily vnto the yong man his armour-bearer, and said vnto him, Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, A woman slew him, and his young man thrust him thorow, and he died.

55 And when the men of Israel saw § Abimelech was dead, they departed euery man vnto his place.

56 ¶ Thus God rendred the wickednes of Abimelech which he did vnto his father, in slaying his seuenty brethren.

57 And all the euill of the men of Shechem did God render vpon their heads: and vpon them came the curse of Iotham the sonne of Ierubbaal.

CHAP. X.

1 Tolah iudgeth Israel in Shamir. 3 Iair. whose thirtie sonnes had thirtie cities. 6 The Philistines and Ammonites oppresse Israel: 10 Iu their misery God sendeth them to their false gods. 15 Vpon their repentance he pitieth them.

AND after Abimelech, there arose to ‖ defend Israel, Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim.

2 And he iudged Israel twenty and three yeeres, and died, and was buried in Shamir.

3 ¶ And after him arose Iaira Gileadite, and iudged Israel twenty and two yeeres.

4 And he had thirty sonnes that rode on thirtie asse colts, and they had thirtie cities, which are called ‖ Hauoth-Iair vnto this day, which are in the land of Gilead.

5 And Iair died, and was buried in Camon.

6 ¶ And * the children of Israel did euill againe in the sight of the LORD, and serued Baalim and * Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon, & the gods of the Philistines, and forsooke the LORD, and serued not him.

7 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, & he sold them into the hands of the Philistines, & into the hands of the children of Ammon.

8 And that yeere they vexed and †oppressed the children of Israel: eighteene yeeres, all the children of Israel that were on the other side Iordan, in the land of the Amorites which is in Gilead.

9 Moreouer, the children of Ammon passed ouer Iordan to fight also against Iudah, and against Beniamin, and against the house of Ephraim: so that Israel was sore distressed.

10 ¶ And the children of Israel cryed vnto the LORD saying, We haue sinned against thee, both because we haue forsaken our God, and also serued Baalim.

11 And the LORD said vnto the children of Israel, Did not I *deliuer* you from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines?

12 The Zidonians also and the Amalekites, and the Maonites did oppresse you, and ye cryed to me, and I deliuered you out of their hand.

13 * Yet ye haue forsaken mee, and serued other gods: wherefore I will deliuer you no more.

14 Goe, and cry vnto the gods which yee haue chosen, let them deliuer you in the time of your tribulation.

15 ¶ And the children of Israel said vnto the LORD, Wee haue sinned, doe thou vnto vs whatsoeuer † seemeth good vnto thee, deliuer vs onely, we pray thee, this day:

16 And they put away the †strange gods from among them, and serued the LORD, and his soule † was grieued for the misery of Israel.

17 Then the children of Ammon were †gathered together, and encamped in Gilead: and the children of Israel assembled themselues together, and encamped in Mizpeh.

18 And the people *and* princes of Gilead, said one to another, What man *is he* that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall ‖ be Head ouer all the inhabitants of Gilead.

CHAP. XI.

1 The couenant betweene Iephthah and the Gileadites, that he should be their head. 12 The treaty of peace betweene him and the Ammonites is in vaine. 29 Iephthahs vow. 32 His conquest of the Ammonites. 34 He performeth his vow on his daughter.

NOw * Iephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valour, and he was the sonne of † an harlot: and Gilead begat Iephthah.

2 And Gileads wife bare him sonnes, and his wiues sonnes grew vp, and they thrust out Iephthah, and said vnto him, Thou shalt not inherite in our fathers house; for thou art the sonne of a strange woman.

3 Then

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§ Or, the villages of Iair.

* Chap. 2.11. & 3. 7. & 4.1. & 6.1. & 13.1.

* Chap. 2.13.

† Hebr. crushed.

* Deut. 32. 15. Ier. 2.28.

† Hebr. it is good in thine eyes.

† Hebr. gods of strangers.

† Hebr. was shortened.

† Hebr. cryed together.

‖ Chap. 11.6.

* Hebr. Iephthah.

† Hebr. a woman an harlot.

3 Then Iephthah fled † from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of Tob: and there were gathered vaine men to Iephthah, and went out with him.

4 ¶ And it came to passe, † in processe of time, that the children of Ammon made warre against Israel.

5 And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against Israel, the Elders of Gilead went to fetch Iephthah out of the land of Tob,

6 And they said vnto Iephthah, Come and bee our Captaine, that we may fight with the children of Ammon.

7 And Iephthah said vnto the Elders of Gilead, Did not ye hate mee, and expell mee out of my fathers house? And why are yee come vnto me now when ye are in distresse?

8 And the Elders of Gilead said vnto Iephthah, Therefore we turne againe to thee now, that thou mayest goe with vs, and fight against the children of Ammon, and bee our Head ouer all the inhabitants of Gilead.

9 And Iephthah said vnto the Elders of Gilead, If yee bring mee home againe to fight against the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliuer them before me; shall I be your Head?

10 And the Elders of Gilead said vnto Iephthah, The LORD † be witnesse betweene vs, if we doe not so according to thy words.

11 Then Iephthah went with the Elders of Gilead, and the people made him Head and Captaine ouer them: and Iephthah vttered all his words before the LORD in Mizpeh.

12 ¶ And Iephthah sent messengers vnto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What hast thou to doe with me, that thou art come against mee to fight in my land?

13 And the king of the children of Ammon answered vnto the messengers of Iephthah, * Because Israel tooke away my land when they came vp out of Egypt, from Arnon, euen vnto Iabbok, and vnto Iordan: now therefore restore those lands againe peaceably.

14 And Iephthah sent messengers againe vnto the King of the children of Ammon:

15 And said vnto him, Thus saith Iephthah, * Israel tooke not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon:

16 But when Israel came vp from Egypt, and walked thorow the wildernesse vnto the red Sea, and came to Kadesh;

17 Then * Israel sent messengers vnto the King of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee, passe thorow thy land: but the King of Edom would not hearken thereto: And in like maner they sent vnto the King of Moab: but he would not consent: and Israel abode in Kadesh.

18 Then they went along thorow the wildernes, and compassed the land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the East side of the land of Moab, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, * but came not within the border of Moab: for Arnon was the border of Moab.

19 And * Israel sent messengers vnto Sihon king of the Amorites, the King of Heshbon, and Israel said vnto him; Let vs passe, we pray thee, thorow thy land, vnto my place.

20 But Sihon trusted not Israel to passe thorow his coast: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz, & fought against Israel.

21 And the LORD God of Israel deliuered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country.

22 And they possessed * all the coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon euen vnto Iabbok, and from the wildernesse euen vnto Iordan.

23 So now the LORD God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites from before his people Israel, and shouldest thou possesse it?

24 Wilt not thou possesse that which Chemosh thy God giueth thee to possesse? so whomsoeuer the LORD our God shall driue out from before vs, them will we possesse.

25 * And now, art thou any thing better than Balak the sonne of Zippor King of Moab? did he euer striue against Israel, or did he euer fight against them,

26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon, and her townes, and in Aroer and her townes, and in all the cities that be along by the coasts of Arnon, three hundred yeares? Why therefore did ye not recouer them within that time?

27 Wherefore I haue not sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to warre against me: the LORD the Iudge, be Iudge this day betweene the children of Israel, and the children of Ammon.

28 Howbeit, the King of the children of Ammon hearkened not vnto the words of Iephthah which he sent him.

29 ¶ Then the Spirit of the LORD came vpon Iephthah, & he passed ouer Gilead & Manasseh, and passed ouer Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed ouer vnto the children of Ammon.

30 And Iephthah vowed a vow vnto the LORD, and said, If thou shalt without faile deliuer the children of Ammon into mine hands,

31 Then it shall be, that † whatsoeuer commeth forth of the doores of my house to meet me, when I returne in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the LORDS, ‖ and I will offer it vp for a burnt offering.

32 ¶ So Iephthah passed ouer vnto the children of Ammon to fight against them, and the LORD deliuered them into his hands.

33 And he smote them from Aroer, euen till thou come to Minnith, euen twenty cities, and vnto the ‖ plaine of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter; thus the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel.

34 ¶ And Iephthah came to Mizpeh vnto his house, & behold, his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels, & with dances, & she was his only child: ‖ beside her he had neither sonne nor daughter.

35 And it came to passe when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought mee very low, and thou art one of them that trouble mee: for I haue opened my mouth vnto the LORD, and I cannot goe backe.

36 And she said vnto him, My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth vnto the LORD, doe to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth: forasmuch as the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, euen of the children of Ammon.

37 And she said vnto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two moneths, that I may † goe vp and downe vpon the mountains, and bewaile my virginity, I, and my fellowes.

38 And hee said, Goe. And he sent her away for two moneths: and shee went with her companions, and bewailed her virginitie vpon the mountains.

39 And it came to passe at the end of two moneths, that shee returned vnto her father, who did with her according to his vow, which he had vowed: and shee knew no man: and it was a custome

† Hebr. From the face.
† Hebr. after dayes.
† Hebr. be the hearer betweene vs.
* Num. 21.25.
* Deut. 2.9.
* Num. 20.14.
* Deut. 2.
* Deut. 2.
† Hebr. goe vp and downe.

† Or, The daughters of Israel went yearely to lament, the daughter of Iephthah the Gileadite foure dayes in a yeere.

CHAP. XII.

1 The Ephraimites quarelling with Iephthah, and threatned by Shibboleth, are slaine by the Gileadites. 7 Iephthah dieth. 8 Ibzan, who had thirty sonnes and thirty daughters, 11 and Elon, 13 and Abdon, who had forty sonnes, and thirty nephewes, iudged Israel.

AND the men of Ephraim † gathered themselues together, and went Northward, and said vnto Iephthah, Wherefore passedst thou ouer to fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call vs to goe with thee? Wee will burne thine house vpon thee with fire.

2 And Iephthah said vnto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon: and when I called you, yee deliuered me not out of their hands.

3 And when I saw that ye deliuered *me* not, I put my life in my hands, and passed ouer against the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliuered them into mine hand: Wherefore then are ye come vp vnto me this day to fight against me?

4 Then Iephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Yee Gileadites are fugitiues of Ephraim, among the Ephraimites, and among the Manasites.

5 And the Gileadites tooke the passages of Iordan before the Ephraimites: and it was so that when those Ephraimites which were escaped said, Let me goe ouer, that the men of Gilead said vnto him, Art thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay;

6 Then said they vnto him, Say now Shibboleth: and he said, Sibboleth: for he could not frame to pronounce it right. Then they tooke him, and slew him at the passages of Iordan: & there fell at that time of the Ephraimites, fourty and two thousand.

7 And Iephthah iudged Israel sixe yeeres: then died Iephthah the Gileadite, and was buried in one of the cities of Gilead.

8 ¶ And after him Ibzan of Bethlehem iudged Israel.

9 And hee had thirty sonnes and thirty daughters, whom hee sent abroad, and tooke in thirtie daughters from abroad for his sonnes. And hee iudged Israel seuen yeeres.

10 Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Bethlehem.

11 ¶ And after him, Elon a Zebulonite iudged Israel, and he iudged Israel ten yeeres.

12 And Elon the Zebulonite died, and was buried in Aijalon, in the country of Zebulun.

13 ¶ And after him Abdon the sonne of Hillel a Pirathonite, iudged Israel.

14 And hee had fourtie sonnes, and thirtie † nephewes, that rode on threescore and ten asse-colts: and he iudged Israel eight yeeres.

15 And Abdon the sonne of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the mount of the Amalekites.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Israel is in the hand of the Philistines. 2 An Angel appeareth to Manoahs wife. 8 The Angel commeth to Manoah. 15 Manoahs sacrifice, wherein the Angel is discouered. 24 Samson is borne.

AND the children of Israel † did euill againe in the sight of the LORD, and the LORD deliuered them into the hand of the Philistines fourty

2 And there was a certaine man of Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah, and his wife was barren, and bare not.

3 And the Angel of the LORD appeared vnto the woman, and said vnto her, Behold now, thou *art* barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceiue, and beare a sonne.

4 Now therefore beware, * I pray thee, and drinke not wine, nor strong drinke, and eat not any vncleane thing.

5 For lo, thou shalt conceiue and beare a sonne, and *no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a 'Nazarite vnto God from the wombe: and he shall begin to deliuer Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.

6 ¶ Then the woman came, and told her husband, saying, A man of God came vnto mee, and his countenance *was* like the countenance of an Angel of God, very terrible: but I asked him not whence he was, neither told he me his name:

7 But he said vnto me, Behold, thou shalt conceiue and beare a sonne: and now, drinke no wine, nor strong drinke, neither eat any vncleane thing: for the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the wombe, to the day of his death.

8 ¶ Then Manoah entreated the LORD, and said, O my LORD, let the man of God which thou didst send, come againe vnto vs, and teach vs what wee shall doe vnto the child that shall be borne.

9 And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah: and the Angel of God came againe vnto the woman as she sate in the field: but Manoah her husband was not with her.

10 And the woman made haste, and ranne and shewed her husband, and said vnto him, Behold, the man hath appeared vnto mee, that came vnto me the *other* day.

11 And Manoah arose and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said vnto him, Art thou the man that spakest vnto the woman? And hee said, I am.

12 And Manoah said, Now let thy words come to passe: † How shall we order the child, and † *how* shall we doe vnto him?

13 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto Manoah, Of all ‖ I said vnto the woman, let her beware.

14 She may not eat of any thing that commeth of the vine, neither let her drinke wine, or strong drinke, nor eat any vncleane thing: all that I commanded her, let her obserue.

15 ¶ And Manoah said vnto the Angel of the LORD, I pray thee, let vs detaine thee, vntill wee shall haue made ready a kid † for thee.

16 † And the Angel of the LORD said vnto Manoah, Though thou detaine me, I will not eate of thy bread: and if thou wilt offer a burnt offering, thou must offer it vnto the LORD: for Manoah knew not that he was an Angel of the LORD.

17 And Manoah said vnto the Angel of the LORD, What is thy name, that when thy sayings come to passe, we may doe thee honour?

18 And the Angel of the LORD said vnto him, Why askest thou thus after my name, seeing it is ‖ secret?

19 So Manoah tooke a kid with a meat offering, and offered *it* vpon a rocke vnto the LORD: and the *Angel* did wonderously, and Manoah and his wife looked on.

20 For it came to passe, when the flame went vp toward heauen from off the Altar, that the Angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the Altar: and Manoah and his wife looked on *it*, and fell on their faces to the ground.

21 But

*Numb. 6. 3. 1. sam. 1. 11.

† Heb. what shall be the manner, or, order of the child, and how shall we doe vnto him?

† Heb. before thee.

‖ Or, wonderfull.

21 (But the Angel of the LORD did no more appeare to Manoah and to his wife:) then Manoah knew that he *was* an Angel of the LORD.

22 And Manoah said vnto his wife, We shall surely die, because we haue seene God.

23 But his wife said vnto him, If the LORD were pleased to kill vs, he would not haue receiued a burnt offering, and a meat offering at our hands, neither would hee haue shewed vs all these things, nor would as at this time haue told vs *such things* as these.

24 ¶ And the woman bare a sonne, and called his Name Samson: and the childe grew, and the LORD blessed him.

25 And the Spirit of the LORD began to moue him at times in the campe of Dan, betweene Zorah and Eshtaol.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 Samson desireth a wife of the Philistines. 6 In his iourney he killeth a Lyon. 8 In a second iourney hee findeth honey in the carcasse. 10 Samsons mariage feast. 12 His riddle by his wife is made knowne. 19 He spoileth thirty Philistines. 20 His wife is married to another.

AND Samson went downe to Timnath, and saw a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines.

2 And he came vp, and told his father and his mother, and said, I haue seene a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore get her for me to wife.

3 Then his father and his mother said vnto him, Is there neuer a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the vncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said vnto his father, Get her for mee, for † she pleaseth me well.

† Heb. *She is right in mine eyes.*

4 But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the LORD, that hee sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion ouer Israel.

5 ¶ Then went Samson downe, and his father and his mother to Timnath, and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and behold, a yong lyon roared † against him.

† Heb. *vnto meeting him.*

6 And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily vpon him, and he rent him as hee would haue rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.

7 And he went downe and talked with the woman, and she pleased Samson well.

8 ¶ And after a time he returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carcasse of the lyon: and behold, there was a swarme of Bees, and honey in the carcasse of the lyon.

9 And he tooke thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother, and he gaue them, and they did eate: but hee told not them that hee had taken the honey out of the carcasse of the lyon.

10 ¶ So his father went downe vnto the woman, and Samson made there a feast: for so vsed the yong men to doe.

11 And it came to passe when they saw him, that they brought thirty companions to be with him.

12 ¶ And Samson said vnto them, I will now put foorth a riddle vnto you: If you can certainely declare it me within the seuen dayes of the feast, and find it out, then I will giue you thirty ‖ sheets, and thirty change of garments:

† Heb. *Shirts.*

13 But if ye cannot declare it mee, then shall yee giue me thirty sheets, and thirty change of garments. And they said vnto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may heare it.

14 And hee said vnto them, Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came forth sweetnesse. And they could not in three dayes expound the riddle.

15 And it came to passe on the seuenth day, that they said vnto Samsons wife, Entice thy husband that he may declare vnto vs the riddle, lest we burne thee and thy fathers house with fire: haue ye called vs, † to take that we haue? is it not so?

† Or, *to take that we haue?*

16 And Samsons wife wept before him, and said, Thou doest but hate mee, and louest me not: thou hast put foorth a riddle vnto the children of my people, and hast not told it mee. And hee said vnto her, Behold, I haue not told *it* my father nor my mother, and shall I tell *it* thee?

17 And shee wept before him ‖ the seuen dayes while the feast lasted: and it came to passe on the seuenth day, that he told her, because she lay sore vpon him: and she told the riddle to the children of her people.

‖ Or, *the seuen dayes while the feast lasted:*

18 And the men of the city said vnto him on the seuenth day, before the Sunne went downe, What is sweeter then honie? and what is stronger then a lyon? And he said vnto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

19 ¶ And the Spirit of the LORD came vpon him, and he went downe to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and tooke their ‖ spoile, and gaue change of garments vnto them which expounded the riddle: and his anger was kindled, and he went vp to his fathers house.

‖ Or, *apparell.*

20 But Samsons wife was *giuen* to his companion whom he had vsed as his friend.

CHAP. XV.

1 Samson is denied his wife. 3 He burneth the Philistines corne with foxes and firebrands: 6 His wife and her father are burnt by the Philistines. Samson smiteth them hip and thigh. 9 He is bound by the men of Iudah, & deliuered to the Philistines. 14 He killeth them with a iaw bone. 18 God maketh the fountaine Enhakkore for him to drinke.

BVt it came to passe within a while after, in the time of wheat haruest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid, and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber: but her father would not suffer him to go in.

2 And her father said, I verely thought that thou hadst vtterly hated her, therefore I gaue her to thy companion: is not her younger sister fairer then she? † take her, I pray thee, in stead of her.

† Or, *is not her younger sister fairer then she? take her, I pray thee, in stead of her.*

3 ¶ And Samson said concerning them, Now shall I be more blameles then the Philistines, though I doe them a displeasure.

4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and tooke ‖ firebrands, and turned tail to tail, and put a fire-brand in the midst betweene two tailes.

‖ Or, *torches.*

5 And when he had set the brands on fire, he let them go into the standing corne of the Philistines, and burnt vp both the shocks, and also the standing corne, with the vineyards, *and* olines.

6 ¶ Then the Philistines said, Who hath done this? And they answered, Samson the son in law of the Timnite, because hee had taken his wife, and giuen her to his companion. And the Philistines came vp, and burnt her and her father with fire.

7 ¶ And Samson said vnto them, Though ye haue done this, yet will I be auenged of you, and after that I will cease.

8 And he smote them hip & thigh with

slaughter, and hee went downe and dwelt in the top of the rocke Etam.

9 ¶ Then the Philistines went vp, and pitched in Iudah, and spread themselues in Lehi.

10 And the men of Iudah said, Why are ye come vp against vs? And they answered, To bind Samson are we come vp, to do to him, as he hath done to vs.

11 Then three thousand men of Iudah † went to the top of the rocke Etam, and said to Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers ouer vs? What is this *that* thou hast done vnto vs? And he said vnto them, As they did vnto me, so haue I done vnto them.

12 And they said vnto him, We are come *down* to bind thee, that we may deliuer thee into ‡ hand of the Philistines. And Samson said vnto them, Sweare vnto me, that ye will not fall vpon me your selues.

13 And they spake vnto him, saying, No; but we will bind thee fast, and deliuer thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two new cords, and brought him vp from the rocke.

14 ¶ And when he came to Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily vpon him, and the cords that were vpon his armes, became as flaxe that was burnt with fire, and his bands † loosed from off his hands.

15 And he found a † new iaw-bone of an Asse, and put forth his hand and tooke it, and slew a thousand men therewith.

16 And Samson said, With the iaw-bone of an Asse, ‡ heapes vpon heapes; with the iaw of an Asse haue I slaine a thousand men.

17 And it came to passe, when he had made an end of speaking, that hee cast away the iaw-bone out of his hand, & called that place, ‖ Ramath-Lehi.

18 ¶ And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said, Thou hast giuen this great deliuerance into the hand of thy seruant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the vncircumcised?

19 But God claue a hollow place that was in the iaw, and there came water thereout, and when he had drunke, his spirit came againe, and he reuiued: wherefore he called the name thereof ‖ Enhakkore, which is in Lehi vnto this day.

20 And he iudged Israel in the dayes of the Philistines, twenty yeeres.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Samson at Gaza stealeth and carieth away the gates of the city. 4 Delilah corrupted by the Philistines, entiseth Samson. 6 Thrice she is deceiued. 15 At last she ouercommeth him. 21 The Philistines put out his eyes. 22 His strength renewing, he pulleth downe the house vpon the Philistines.

1 Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there † an harlot, and went in vnto her.

2 *And it was told* the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed *him* in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were † quiet all the night, saying, In the morning when it is day we shall kill him.

3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and tooke the doores of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, † bar and all, & put them vpon his shoulders, and carried them to the top of an hill, that is before Hebron.

4 ¶ And it came to passe afterward, that he loued a woman in the valley ‖ of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.

5 And the lords of the Philistines came vp vnto her, and said vnto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what meanes we may preuaile against him, that we may bind him, to afflict him: and we will giue thee euery one of vs eleuen hundred *pieces* of siluer.

6 ¶ And Delilah said to Samson, Tell mee, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound, to affict thee.

7 And Samson said vnto her, If they bind me with seuen ‖ greene withes, that were neuer dried, then shall I be weake, and be as † another man.

8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought vp to her seuen greene withes, which had not beene dryed, and she bound him with them.

9 Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber: & she said vnto him, The Philistines *be* vpon thee, Samson. And he brake the withes, as a threed of tow is broken, when it † toucheth the fire? So his strength was not knowne.

10 And Delilah said vnto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell mee, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.

11 And he said vnto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes † that neuer were occupied, then shall I be weake, and be as another man.

12 Delilah therefore tooke new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said vnto him, The Philistines *be* vpon thee, Samson. (And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber.) and he brake them from off his armes like a threed.

13 And Delilah said vnto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said vnto her, If thou weauest the seuen lockes of my head with the web.

14 And she fastened it with the pin, and said vnto him, The Philistines *be* vpon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleepe, and went away with the pin of the beame, *and* with the web.

15 ¶ And she said vnto him, How canst thou say, I loue thee, when thine heart is not with me? Thou hast mocked mee these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*.

16 And it came to passe, when she pressed him daily with her words, and vrged him, so that his soule was † vexed vnto death;

17 That he told her all his heart, and said vnto her, There hath not come a razor vpon mine head: for I *haue been* a Nazarite vnto God from my mothers wombe: If I be shauen, then my strength will goe from mee, and I shall become weake, and be like any *other* man.

18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, shee sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come vp this once, for hee hath shewed me al his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came vp vnto her, and brought money in their hand.

19 And she made him sleepe vpon her knees, and she called for a man, and she caused him to shaue off the seuen lockes of his head, and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

20 And she said, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleepe, and said, I will goe out as at other times before, and shake my selfe. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

21 ¶ But the Philistines tooke him, and † put out his eyes, and brought him downe to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of braſſe, and he did grind in the prison house.

22 Howbeit, the haire of his head began to grow again, ‖ after he was shauen.

23 Then

Or, humble.

Or, new cords.

heb. moist.

Heb. out

Hebr. smelleth.

Hebr. where-with he worke hath not been done.

Hebr. fainted.

Hebr. shortned.

Hebr. bored out.

Or, as he was at first.

23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together, for to offer a great sacrifice vnto Dagon their god, and to reioyce: for they said, Our god hath deliuered Samson our enemy into our hand.

24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath deliuered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our countrey, † which slew many of vs.

† Hebr. and who multiplied our slayne.

25 And it came to passe when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make vs sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house, and hee made † them sport, and they set him betweene the pillars.

† Hebr. before them.

26 And Samson said vnto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feele the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may leane vpon them.

27 Now the house was full of men, and women, and all the lords of the Philistines were there: and there were vpon the roofe about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

28 And Samson called vnto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember mee, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, onely this once, O God, that I may bee at once auenged of the Philistines, for my two eyes.

29 And Samson tooke hold of the two middle pillars, vpon which the house stood, and ‖ ou which it was borne vp, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

‖ Or, he leaned on them.

30 And Samson said, Let † me die with the Philistins: and he bowed himselfe with all his might: and the house fell vpon the lords, and vpon all the people that were therein: so the dead which he slew at his death, were moe then they which he slew in his life.

† Heb. my soule.

31 Then his brethren, and all the house of his father came downe, and tooke him, and brought him vp, and buried him betweene Zorah and Eshtaol, in the burying place of Manoah his father: and he iudged Israel twenty yeeres.

CHAP. XVII.

1 *Of the money that Micah fir ſtole, then reſtored, his mother makes bi mages,* 5 *and he ornaments for them.* 6 *He hires h a Leuite to be his Priest.*

AND there was a man of mount Ephraim, whose name was Micah.

2 And he said vnto his mother, The eleuen hundred *shekels* of siluer that were taken from thee, about which thou curseds t, and spakest of also in mine eares, behold, the siluer *is* with me, I tooke it. And his mother said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my sonne.

3 And when he had restored the eleuen hundred *shekels* of siluer to his mother, his mother said, I had wholly dedicated the siluer vnto the LORD, from my hand, for my sonne to make a grauen image, and a molten image: now therefore, I will restore it vnto thee.

4 Yet he restored the money vnto his mother, and his mother tooke two hundred *shekels* of siluer, and gaue them to the founder, who made thereof a grauen image, and a molten image: and they were in the house of Micah.

* Chap. 8.27. * Gene. 31.19. † Hebr. filled the hand of. ‖ Chap. 18.14.

5 And the man Micah had an house of gods, and made * an Ephod, and * Teraphim, and † consecrated one of his sonnes, who became his Priest.

6 * In those dayes *there was* no King in Israel, † euery man did that which was right in his owne eyes.

7 ¶ And there was a yong man out of Bethlehem-Iudah, of the family of Iudah, who was a Leuite, and hee sojourned there.

8 And the man departed out of the city, from Bethlehem Iudah, to sojourne where he could find *a place*: and hee came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, † as he journeyed.

9 And Micah said vnto him, Whence comest thou? And he said vnto him, I am a Leuite of Bethlehem-Iudah, and I goe to sojourne where I may find *a place*.

10 And Micah said vnto him, Dwel with me, and be vnto mee a father and a Priest, and I will giue thee ten *shekels* of siluer by the yere, and a suit of apparell, and thy victuals. So the Leuite went in.

11 And the Leuite was content to dwel with the man: and the young man was vnto him as one of his sonnes.

12 And Micah consecrated the Leuite, and the young man became his Priest, and was in the house of Micah.

13 Then said Micah, Now know I that the LORD will doe mee good, seeing I haue a Leuite to my Priest.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 *The Danites send fiue men to seeke out a habitance.* 3 *At the house of Micah they consult with Ionathan, and are encouraged in their way.* 7 *They search Laish, and bring backe newes of goodnes.* 11 *Six hundred men are sent to surprise it.* 14 *In the way they rob Micah of his Priest and his consecrate things.* 27 *They win Laish, and call it Dan.* 30 *They set vp idolatry, wherein Ionathan and his sonnes are appointed the Priesthood.*

IN * those dayes *there was* no King in Israel: and in those dayes the tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in: for vnto that day *all* their inheritance had not fallen vnto them among the tribes of Israel.

2 And the children of Dan sent of their family fiue men from their coasts, † men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spie out the land, and to search it, and they said vnto them, Go, search the lands: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they lodged there.

3 When they *were* by the house of Micah, they knew the voyce of the yong man the Leuite: and they turned in thither, and said vnto him, Who brought thee hither? And what makest thou in this place? and what hast thou here?

4 And he said vnto them, Thus and thus dealeth Micah with me, & hath hired me, & I am his Priest.

5 And they said vnto him, Aske counsell, we pray thee, of God, that we may know, whether our way which we goe, shall be prosperous.

6 And the Priest said vnto them, Goe in peace: before the LORD *is* your way wherein ye goe.

7 ¶ Then the fiue men departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people that were therein, how they dwelt careles, after the manner of the Zidonians, quiet and secure, and there was no magistrate in the land that might put them to shame in any thing, and they *were* farre from the Zidonians, and had no businesse with any man.

8 And they came vnto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said vnto them, What *say* yee?

9 And they said, Arise, that we may goe vp against them, for we haue seene the land, and behold, *it is* very good: and are yee still? Be not slothful to goe, *and* to enter to possesse the land.

10 When yee goe, yee shall come vnto a

secure, and to a large land: for God hath giuen it into your hands: a place where there is no want of any thing that is in the earth.

11 ¶ And there went from thence of the family of the Danites out of Zorah, and out of Eshtaol sixe hundred men, † appointed with weapons of warre.

12 And they went vp, and pitched in Kiriath-iearim in Iudah: wherefore they called that place Mahaneh-Dan, vnto this day: behold, *it is* behind Kiriath-iearim.

13 And they passed thence vnto mount Ephraim, and came vnto the house of Micah.

14 ¶ Then answered the fiue men that went to spie out the countrey of Laish, and said vnto their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these houses, an Ephod, and Teraphim, and a grauen image, and a molten image? Now therefore consider what ye haue to doe.

15 And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of the young man the Leuite, *euen* vnto the house of Micah, and † saluted him.

16 And the sixe hundred men appointed with their weapons of warre, which were of the children of Dan stood by the entring of the gate.

17 And the fiue men that went to spie out the land, went vp, *and* came in thither, *and* tooke the grauen image, and the Ephod, and the Teraphim, and the molten image: and the Priest stood in the entring of the gate, with the sixe hundred men that were appointed with weapons of warre.

18 And these went into Micahs house, and fetched the carued image, the Ephod, and the Teraphim, and the molten image: then said the Priest vnto them, What doe yee?

19 And they said vnto him, Hold thy peace, lay thine hand vpon thy mouth, and go with vs, and be to vs a father and a Priest: Is it better for thee to be a Priest vnto the house of one man, or that thou be a Priest vnto a tribe and a family in Israel?

20 And the Priests heart was glad, and he tooke the Ephod, and the Teraphim, and the grauen image, and went in the middest of the people.

21 So they turned and departed, & put the little ones, and the cattell, and the carriage before them

22 ¶ *And* when they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that were in the houses neere to Micahs house, were gathered together, and ouertooke the children of Dan.

23 And they cryed vnto the children of Dan: and they turned their faces, and said vnto Micah, What aileth thee, † that thou commest with such a company?

24 And hee said, Yee haue taken away my gods which I made, and the Priest, and ye are gone away: and what haue I more? and what is this that yee say vnto me, What aileth thee?

25 And the children of Dan said vnto him, Let not thy voyce be heard among vs, lest † angry fellowes runne vpon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the liues of thy household.

26 And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they were too strong for him, he turned and went backe vnto his house.

27 And they tooke the things which Micah had made, and the Priest which he had, and came vnto Laish, vnto a people that were at quiet and secure, and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt the city with fire.

28 And there was no deliuerer, because it was far from Zidon, and they had no businesse with any man: and it was in the valley that *lyeth* by Beth-rehob. And they built a city and dwelt therein.

29 And they called the name of the [6] city Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was borne vnto Israel: howbeit the name of the city was Laish at the first.

30 ¶ And the children of Dan set vp the grauen image: and Ionathan the sonne of Gershom, the sonne of Manasseh, he and his sonnes were Priests to the tribe of Dan, vntill the day of the captiuity of the land.

31 And they set them vp Micahs grauen image, which hee made, all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *A Leuite goeth to Bethlehem to fetch home his wife.* 16 *And[1] man entertaineth him at Gibeah.* 22 *The Gibeathites abuse his concubine to death.* 29 *Hee diuideth her into twelue pieces to send them to the twelue tribes.*

AND it came to passe in those dayes, [*] when there was no King in Israel, that there was a certaine Leuite sojourning on the side of mount Ephraim, who tooke to him † a concubine out of Bethlehem Iudah.

2 And his concubine played the whore against him, and went away from him vnto her fathers house to Bethlehem Iudah, and was there ‖ foure whole moneths.

3 And her husband arose, and went after her, to speake † friendly vnto her, and to bring her again, hauing his seruant with him, and a couple of asses: and she brought him into her fathers house: and when the father of the damosell saw him, hee reioyced to meet him.

4 ¶ And his father in law, the damosels father retained him, and he abode with him three dayes: so they did eate and drinke and lodged there.

5 ¶ And it came to passe on the fourth day, when they arose early in the morning, that he arose vp to depart: and the damosels father said vnto his sonne in law, † Comfort thine heart with a morsell of bread, and afterward goe your way.

6 And they sate downe, and did eate and drinke, both of them together: for the damosels father had said vnto the man, Be content, I pray thee, and tarry all night, and let thine heart be merry.

7 And when the man rose vp to *depart*, his father in law vrged him: therefore he lodged there againe.

8 And hee rose early in the morning on the fift day to depart, and the damosels father said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee. And they tarried † vntill afternoone, and they did eate both of them.

9 And when the man rose vp to depart, he and his concubine, and his seruant: his father in law, the damosels father said vnto him, Behold, now the day † draweth towards euening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, † the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart may be merry, and to morrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest goe † home.

10 But the man would not tary that night, but he rose vp, and departed, and came † ouer against Iebus (which is Ierusalem) and *there were* with him two asses saddled, his concubine also *was* with him.

11 And when they *were* by Iebus, the day was farre spent, and the seruant said vnto his master, Come, I pray thee, and let vs turne in into this city of the Iebusites, and lodge in it.

12 And his master said vnto him, Wee will not turne aside hither into the city of a stranger, that is not of the children of Israel, wee will passe ouer to Gibeah.

[*] Chap. 17.6. and 18.1. and 21.25.

† Hebr. a woman a concubine, or a wife also

‖ Or, a yeere and foure moneths. Hebr. dayes, foure moneths. † Hebr. to her heart. † Hebr. strengthen.

† Heb. till the day declined.

† Hebr. is weake. † Hebr. it is the pitching time of the day. † Heb. to thy tent. † Hebr. so ouer against Iebus.

* Ios. 19.47.

13 And he said vnto his seruant, Come, and let vs draw neere to one of these places, to lodge all night in Gibeah, or in Ramah.

14 And they passed on and went their way, and the Sunne went downe vpon them *when they were* by Gibeah, which *belongeth* to Beniamin.

15 And they turned aside thither, to goe in, *and* to lodge in Gibeah: and when hee went in, he sate him downe in a street of the citie: for there was no man that tooke them into his house to lodging.

16 ¶ And behold, there came an old man from his worke out of the field at euen, which was also of mount Ephraim, and he sojourned in Gibeah: but the men of the place were Beniamites.

17 And when he had lift vp his eyes, hee saw a wayfaring man in the street of the citie: and the old man said, Whither goest thou? and whence commest thou?

18 And he said vnto him, We are passing from Bethlehem Iudah, toward the side of mount Ephraim, from thence am I: and I went to Bethlehem Iudah, but I am *now* going to the house of the LORD, and there is no man that † receiueth me to house.

† Hebr. gathereth.

19 Yet there is both straw and prouender for our asses, and there is bread and wine also for me, and for thy hand-maid, and for the young man *which is* with thy seruants: there is no want of any thing.

20 And the old man said, Peace bee with thee? howsoeuer let all thy wants *lie* vpon mee, onely lodge not in the street.

21 So hee brought him into his house, and gaue prouender vnto the asses: and they washed their feet, and did eate and drinke.

22 ¶ Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the citie, certaine sonnes of Belial beset the house round about, *and* beat at the doore, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring foorth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him.

* Gen. 19.4.

23 And * the man, the master of the house, went out vnto them, and said vnto them, Nay, my brethren, nay I pray you, doe not so wickedly: seeing that this man is come into mine house, doe not this folly.

24 Behold, *here is* my daughter a maiden, and his concubine, them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good vnto you: but vnto this man doe not † so vile a thing.

† Hebr. the matter of this folly.

25 But the men would not hearken vnto him: so the man tooke his concubine, and brought her foorth vnto them, and they knew her, and abused her all the night, vntill the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her goe.

26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell downe at the doore of the mans house where her lord was, till it was light.

27 And her lord rose vp in the morning, and opened the doores of the house, and went out to goe his way: and behold, the woman his concubine was fallen downe at the doore of the house, and her hands *were* vpon the threshold.

28 And he said vnto her, Vp, and let vs be going. But none answered: then the man tooke her *vp* vpon an asse, and the man rose vp, and gate him vnto his place.

29 ¶ And when hee was come into his house, he tooke a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and diuided, her, *together* with her bones into twelue pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.

30 And it was so that all that saw it, said, There was no such deed done nor seene, from the day that the children of Israel came vp out of the land of Egypt, vnto this day: consider of it, take aduice and speake *your minds*.

CHAP. XX.

1 *The Leuite in a great all assembly declareth his wrong.* 8 *The decree of the assembly.* 12 *The Beniamites being cited, make head against the Israelites.* 18 *The Israelites in two battels lose two thousand.* 26 *They destroy by a stratagem all the Beniamites, except sixe hundred.*

THen all the children of Israel went out, and the Congregation was gathered together as one man, from Dan euen to Beersheba, with the land of Gilead, vnto the LORD in Mizpah.

2 And the chiefe of all the people, *euen* of all the tribes of Israel, presented themselues in the assembly of the people of God, foure hundred thousand footmen that drew sword.

3 (Now the children of Beniamin heard that the children of Israel were gone vp to Mizpah.) Then said the children of Israel, Tell vs, how was this wickednesse?

4 And † the Leuite, the husband of the woman that was slaine, answered, and said, I came into Gibeah that *belongeth* to Beniamin, I and my concubine, to lodge.

5 And the men of Gibeah rose against mee, and beset the house round about vpon me by night, and thought to haue slaine me, *and* my concubine haue they † forced that she is dead.

6 And I tooke my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her thorowout all the countrey of the inheritance of Israel: for they haue committed lewdnesse and folly in Israel.

7 Behold, ye are all children of Israel, giue here your aduice and counsell.

8 ¶ And all the people arose as one man, saying, Wee will not any *of vs* goe to his tent, neither will we any *of vs* turne into his house:

9 But now this *shall be* the thing which we will do to Gibeah, *we will goe vp* by lot against it:

10 And wee will take ten men of an hundred thorowout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victuall for the people, that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Beniamin, according to all the folly that they haue wrought in Israel.

11 So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, † knit together as one man.

12 ¶ And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Beniamin, saying, What wickednesse is this that is done amongst you?

13 Now therefore deliuer vs the men, the children of Belial, which *are* in Gibeah: that we may put them to death, and put away euill from Israel. But the children of Beniamin would not hearken to the voyce of their brethren the children of Israel:

14 But the children of Beniamin gathered themselues together out of the cities vnto Gibeah, to goe out to battell against the children of Israel.

15 And the children of Beniamin were numbred at that time out of the cities, twenty and six thousand men that drew sword, beside the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were numbred seuen hundred chosen men.

16 Among all this people *there were* seuen hundred chosen men * left handed, euery one could sling stones at an haire *breadth* and not misse.

17 And the men of Israel, beside Beniamin, were numbred foure hundred thousand men that drew sword: all these *were* men of warre.

18 ¶ And the children of Israel arose and went vp to the house of God, and asked counsell of God,

and said, Which of vs shall goe vp first to the battell against the children of Beniamin? And the LORD said, Iudah shall goe vp first.

19 And the children of Israel rose vp in the morning, and encamped against Gibeah.

20 And the men of Israel went out to battell against Beniamin, and the men of Israel put themselues in aray to fight against them at Gibeah.

21 And the children of Beniamin came forth out of Gibeah, & destroyed downe to the ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two thousand men.

22 And the people, the men of Israel encouraged themselues, & set their battel again in aray, in the place where they put themselues in aray the first day.

23 (And the children of Israel went vp & wept before the LORD vntill Euen, and asked counsell of the LORD, saying, Shall I goe vp againe to battell against the children of Beniamin my brother? And the LORD said, Goe vp against him.)

24 And the children of Israel came neere against the children of Beniamin the second day.

25 And Beniamin went forth against them out of Gibeah the second day, and destroyed downe to the ground of the children of Israel again, eighteene thousand men, all these drew the sword.

26 ¶ Then all the children of Israel, and all the people went vp, and came vnto the house of God, and wept, and sate there before the LORD, and fasted that day vntill Euen, and offered burnt offrings, and peace offerings, before the LORD.

27 And the children of Israel enquired of the LORD, (for the Arke of the Couenant of God was there in those dayes,

28 And Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the sonne of Aaron, stood before it in those dayes.) saying, Shall I yet againe goe out to battell against the children of Beniamin, my brother, or shall I cease? And the LORD said, Goe vp, for to morrow I will deliuer them into thine hand.

29 And Israel set liers in wait round about Gibeah.

30 And the children of Israel went vp against the children of Beniamin on the third day, and put themselues in aray against Gibeah, as at other times.

31 And the children of Beniamin went out against the people, and were drawne away from the citty: and they began to ‡ smite of the people, and kill as at other times, in the high wayes, of which one goeth vp vnto ‖ the house of God, and the other to Gibeah in the field, about thirty men of Israel.

32 And the children of Beniamin said, They are smitten downe before vs, as at the first: But the children of Israel said, Let vs flee, and draw them from the city vnto the high wayes.

33 And all the men of Israel rose vp out of their place, and put themselues in aray at Baal-Tamar: and the liers in wait of Israel came forth out of their places, euen out of the meadowes of Gibeah.

34 And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battell was sore: but they knew not that euill was neere them.

35 And the LORD smote Beniamin before Israel, and the children of Israel destroyed of the Beniamites that day, twenty and fiue thousand, and an hundred men: all these drew the sword.

36 So the children of Beniamin saw that they were smitten: for the men of Israel gaue place to the Beniamites, because they trusted vnto the liers in wait, which they had set beside Gibeah.

37 And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed vpon Gibeah, & the liers in wait ‖ drew themselues along, and smote all the city with the edge of the sword.

38 Now there was an appointed ‖ signe betweene the men of Israel ‡ and the liers in wait, ‡ that they should make a great † flame with smoke rise vp out of the city.

39 And when the men of Israel retired in the battell, Beniamin began to † smite and kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons; for they said, Surely they are smitten downe before vs, as in the first battell.

40 But when the flame began to arise vp out of the city, with a pillar of smoke, the Beniamites looked behind them, and behold, the † flame of the city ascended vp to heauen.

41 And when the men of Israel turned againe, the men of Beniamin were amazed; for they saw that euill † was come vpon them.

42 Therefore they turned ‖ *their backes* before the men of Israel vnto the way of the wildernes, but the battell ouertooke them: and them which came out of the cities, they destroyed in ‡ midst of them.

43 *Thus* they enclosed the Beniamites round about, *and* chased them, and trode them *downe* with ease † ouer against Gibeah toward the Sun-rising.

44 And there fell of Beniamin eighteene thousand men; all these *were* men of valour.

45 And they turned and fled toward the wildernesse, vnto the Rocke of Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the high wayes fiue thousand men: and pursued hard after them vnto Gidom, and slew two thousand men of them.

46 So that all which fell that day of Beniamin, were twenty and fiue thousand men that drew the sword; all these *were* men of valour.

47 * *But* sixe hundred men turned and fled to the wildernesse vnto the Rocke Rimmon, and abode in the Rocke Rimmon foure monthes.

48 And the men of Israel turned againe vpon the children of Beniamin, and smote them with the edge of the sword, as well the men of euery citie, as the beast, and all that † came to hand: also they set on fire all the cities that † they came to.

CHAP. XXI.

1 *The people bewailethe desolation of Beniamin.* 8 *By the destruction of Iabesh Gilead they prouide them foure hundred wiues.* 16 *They aduise them to surprize the virgines that danced at Shilah.*

NOw the men of Israel had sworne in Mizpeh, saying, There shall not any of vs giue his daughter vnto Beniamin to wife.

2 And the people came to the house of God, and abode there till Euen before God, and lift vp their voyces and wept sore,

3 And said, O LORD God of Israel, why is this come to passe in Israel, that there should be to day one tribe lacking in Israel?

4 And it came to passe on the morrow, that the people rose early, and built there an Altar, and offered burnt offerings, and peace offerings.

5 And the children of Israel said, Who *is there* among all the tribes of Israel, that came not vp with the Congregation vnto the LORD? for they had made a great oath concerning him that came not vp to the LORD to Mizpeh, saying, He shall surely be put to death.

6 And the children of Israel repented them for Beniamin their brother, and said, There is one tribe cut off from Israel this day.

7 How shall we doe for wiues for them that remaine, seeing we haue sworne by the LORD, that we will not giue them of our daughters to wiues?

8 ¶ And they said, What one *is there* of the tribes of Israel, that came not vp to Mizpeh to the LORD?

‡ Or, then
† Hebr. with.
† Hebr. to smite
‖ Or, the wound-ded.
† Hebr. the whole
‡ Or, consumption.
† Hebr. touched them.
‖ Or, from Mene-hah, &c.
† Hebr. vnto ouer against.
* Chap. 21. 13.
† Hebr. was found.
‡ Hebr. were found.

And behold, there came none to the campe, from Iabesh-Gilead to the assembly.

9 For the people were numbred, and behold, there were none of the inhabitants of Iabesh-Gilead there.

10 And the Congregation sent thither twelue thousand men of the valiantest, and commanded them, saying, Goe and smite the inhabitants of Iabesh-Gilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the children.

11 And this is the thing that yee shall doe, yee shall vtterly destroy euery male, and euery woman that hath †lien by man.

12 And they found among the inhabitants of Iabesh-Gilead, foure hundred †young virgines that had knowne no man by lying with any male: and they brought them vnto the camp to Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan.

13 And the whole Congregation sent *some* † to speak to the children of Beniamin that *were* in the rocke Rimmon, and to ‖ call peaceably vnto them.

14 And Beniamin came againe at that time, and they gaue them wiues which they had saued aliue of the women of Iabesh Gilead: and yet so they sufficed them not.

15 And the people repented them for Beniamin, because that the LORD had made a breach in the tribes of Israel.

16 ¶Then the Elders of the Congregation said, How shall we do for wiues for them that remaine? seeing the women are destroyed out of Beniamin.

17 And they said, There must be an inheritance for them that be escaped of Beniamin, that a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel.

18 Howbeit, wee may not giue them wiues of our daughters: For the children of Israel haue sworne, saying, Cursed be he that giueth a wife to Beniamin.

19 Then they said, Behold, *there is a* feast of the LORD in Shiloh †yeerely, *in a place* which is on the Northside of Bethel, on the ‖ Eastside of the high way that goeth vp from Bethel to Shechem, and on the South of Lebanon.

20 Therefore they commanded the children of Beniamin, saying, Goe and lie in wait in the vineyards.

21 And see, and behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you euery man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and goe to the land of Beniamin.

22 And it shall be when their fathers, or their brethren come vnto vs to complaine, that wee will say vnto them, ‖ Be fauourable vnto them for our sakes: because wee reserued not to each man his wife in the warre: for yee did not giue vnto them at this time, that you should be guiltie.

23 And the children of Beniamin did so, and tooke them wiues according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and they went and returned vnto their inheritance, and repaired the cities, and dwelt in them.

24 And the children of Israel departed thence at that time, euery man to his tribe, and to his family, and they went out from thence euery man to his inheritance.

25 *In those dayes there was no King in Israel: euery man did that which was right in his owne eyes.

*Num. 31.17. † *Hebr. knowith the lying with* man. † *Hebr. young women virgines.* † *Hebr. and spake and called.* ‖ *Or, proclaime peace.*

¶THE BOOKE OF RVTH.

CHAP. I.

1 Elimelech driuen by famine into Moab dyeth there. 4 Mahlon and Chilion hauing married wiues of Moab die also. 6 Naomi returning homeward, 8 disswadeth her two daughters in law from going with her. 14 Orpah leaueth her, but Ruth with great constancy accompanieth her. 19 They two come to Bethlehem, where they are gladly received.

NOw it came to passe in the daies when the Iudges †ruled, that there was a famine in the land: and a certaine man of Bethlehem-Iudah, went to sojorne in the countrey of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sonnes.

2 And the name of the man *was* Elimelech, and the name of his wife Naomi, and the name of his two sonnes Mahlon, and Chilion, Ephrathites of Bethlehem-Iudah: and they came into the countrey of Moab, and † continued there.

3 And Elimelech Naomies husband died, and she was left, and her two sonnes.

4 And they tooke them wiues of the women of Moab: the name of the one *was* Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten yeeres.

5 And Mahlon and Chilion dyed also both of them, and the woman was left of her two sonnes, and her husband.

6 ¶Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might returne from the countrey of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab, how that the LORD had visited his people, in giuing them bread.

7 Wherefore she went foorth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters in law with her: and they went on the way to returne vnto the land of Iudah.

8 And Naomi said vnto her two daughters in law, Goe, returne each to her mothers house: the LORD deale kindly with you, as yee haue dealt with the dead, and with me.

9 The LORD grant you, that yee may finde rest, *each of you* in the house of her husband. Then he kissed them, and they lift vp their voyce, and wept.

10 And they said vnto her, Surely wee will returne with thee vnto thy people.

11 And Naomi said, Turne againe, my daughters: why will yee goe with mee? Are there yet any moe sonnes in my wombe, that they may be your husbands?

12 Turne againe my daughters, goe your way, for I am too old to haue an husband: if I should say I haue hope, If I should ‖ haue a husband also this night, and should also beare sonnes:

13 Would yee † tarry for them till they were growen? would you stay for them from hauing husbands? nay, my daughters: for † it grieueth me much for your sakes, that the hand of the LORD is gone out against me.

14 And they lift vp their voyce, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law, but Ruth claue vnto her.

15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone backe vnto her people, and vnto her gods: returne thou after thy sister in law.

† *Hebr. inuaded.* † *Hebr. were.*

16 And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leaue thee, or to returne from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go: and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shalbe my people, and thy God my God:

17 Where thou diest will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD doe so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.

18 When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking vnto her.

19 So they two went vntill they came to Bethlehem: and it came to passe, when they were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moued about them, and they said, Is this Naomi?

20 And she said vnto them, Call me not ‖ Naomi, call me ‖ Marah: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

21 I went out full, and the LORD hath brought me home againe empty: why then call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?

22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitesse her daughter in law with her, which returned out of the countrey of Moab: and they came to Bethlehem in the beginning of barley harueſt.

CHAP. II.

1 Ruth gleaneth in the field of Boaz. 4 Boaz taking knowledge of her, 8 ſtirreth her great fauour. 18 That which ſhe got ſhe carrieth to Naomi.

AND Naomi had a kinſman of her husbands, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech, and his name was Boaz.

2 And Ruth the Moabitesse said vnto Naomi, Let me now goe to the field, and gleane eares of corne after him, in whose sight I shall finde grace. And she said vnto her, Goe, my daughter.

3 And she went and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her †hap was to light on a part of the field *belonging* vnto ‖ Boaz, who *was* of the kindred of Elimelech.

4 ¶And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said vnto the reapers, The LORD *be* with you: and they answered him, The LORD blesse thee.

5 Then said Boaz vnto his seruant that was set ouer the reapers, Whose damosell is this?

6 And the seruant that was set ouer the reapers, answered, and said, It is the Moabitish damosell, that came backe with Naomi out of the countrey of Moab:

7 And she said, I pray you, let me gleane and gather after the reapers amongst the sheaues: so she came, and hath continued euen from the morning vntill now, *that* she tarried a little in the house.

8 Then said Boaz vnto Ruth, Heareſt thou not, my daughter? Go not to gleane in another field, neither goe from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens.

9 Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reape, and goe thou after them: Haue I not charged the young men, that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, goe vnto the vessels, and drinke of that which the young men haue drawne.

10 Then she fell on her face, and bowed her selfe to the ground, and said vnto him, Why haue I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldeſt take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger?

11 And Boaz answered, and said vnto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done vnto thy mother in law, since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come vnto a people, which thou knewest not heretofore.

12 The LORD recompence thy worke, and a full reward bee giuen thee of the LORD God of Israel, vnder whose wings thou art come to trust.

13 Then she said, ‖ Let me find fauour in thy sight my lord, for † thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken † friendly vnto thine handmaid, though I be not like vnto one of thy handmaidens.

14 And Boaz said vnto her, At meale time come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dip thy morsell in the vineger. And she sate beside the reapers: and he reached her parched corne, and she did eat, and was sufficed, and left.

15 And when shee was risen vp to gleane, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her gleane euen amongst the sheaues, and † reproach her not.

16 And let fall also *some* of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leaue them, that shee may gleane *them*, and rebuke her not.

17 So she gleaned in the field vntill Euen, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an Ephah of barley.

18 ¶And she tooke *it* vp, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gaue to her that she had reserued after she was sufficed.

19 And her mother in law said vnto her, Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughteſt thou? Blessed bee hee that did take knowledge of thee. And shee shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought, and said, The mans name with whom I wrought to day, is Boaz.

20 And Naomi said vnto her daughter in law, Blessed be he of the LORD, who hath not left off his kindnesse to the liuing, and to the dead. And Naomi said vnto her, The man is neere of kin vnto vs, ‖ one of our next kinsmen.

21 And Ruth the Moabitesse said, He said vnto me also, Thou shalt keepe fast by my young men, vntill they haue ended all my harueſt.

22 And Naomi said vnto Ruth her daughter in law, It is good, my daughter, that thou goe out with his maidens, that they ‖ meet thee not in any other field.

23 So shee kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to gleane, vnto the end of barley harueſt, and of wheat harueſt, and dwelt with her mother in law.

CHAP. III.

1 By Naomi her inſtruction, 5 Ruth lyeth at Boaz his feet. 8 Boaz acknowledgeth the right of a kinſman. 14 He ſendeth her away with ſixe meaſures of barley.

THen Naomi her mother in law said vnto her, My daughter, ſhall I not ſeeke reſt for thee, that it may be well with thee?

2 And now is not Boaz of our kinred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he winnoweth barley to night in the threshing floore.

3 Wash thy selfe therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment vpon thee, and get thee downe to the floore: *but* make not thy selfe knowen vnto the man, vntill he shall haue done eating and drinking.

4 And it shall be when he lieth downe: that thou shalt marke the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt goe in, and ‖ vncouer his feet, and lay thee downe, and he will tell thee what thou shalt doe.

5 And shee said vnto her, All that thou sayeſt vnto mee, I will doe.

6 ¶And she went downe vnto the floore, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunke, and his heart was merry, hee went to lie downe at the end of the heape of corne: and shee came softly, and vncouered his feet, and laid her downe.

or, I find fauour.
† *Heb. to the heart.*
† *Heb. shame her not.*
or, one that hath right to redeeme.
‖ *Or, tarry vpon them*
‖ *Or, ſit vp the clothes that are on his feet.*

8 ¶ And it came to passe at midnight, that the man was afraid, and turned himselfe: and behold, a woman lay at his feet.

‖ *Or, looke about.*

9 And he said, Who *art* thou? And she answered, I *am* Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt ouer thine handmaid, for thou *art* a neere kinsman.

‖ *Or, one that hath right to redeeme.*

10 And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: *for* thou hast shewed more kindnesse in the latter end, then at the beginning, in as much as thou followedst not young men, whether poore or rich.

11 And now my daughter, feare not, I will doe to thee all that thou requirest: for all the † city of my people doth know that thou art a vertuous woman.

† *Heb. gate,*

12 And now it is true, that I am *thy* neere kinsman: howbeit, there is a kinsman nearer then I.

13 Tary this night, and it shalbe in the morning that if he will performe vnto thee the part of a kinsman, well, let him doe the kinsmans part: but if he will not doe the part of a kinsman vnto thee, then will I doe the part of a kinseman vnto thee, as the LORD liueth: lie downe vntill the morning.

14 ¶ And she lay at his feet vntill the morning: and she arose vp before one could know another. And he said, Let it not be knowne that a woman came into the floore.

‖ *Or, sheet, or apron,*

15 Also he said, Bring the ‖ vaile that thou hast vpon thee, and hold it. And when she held it, hee meased six *measures* of barley, and laid it on her: and she went into the city.

16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who *art* thou my daughter? and she told her all that the man had done to her.

17 And shee said, These six *measures* of barley gaue he me, for he said to me, Goe not empty vnto thy mother in law.

18 Then said she, Sit still my daughter, vntill thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest vntill he haue finished the thing this day.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Boaz calleth into iudgement the next kinsman. 6 He refuseth the redemption according to the manner in Israel. 9 Boaz buyeth the inheritance. 11 He marrieth Ruth. 13 She beareth Obed, the grandfather of Dauid. 18 The generation of Pharez.

THen went Boaz vp to the gate, and sate him downe there: and behold the kinsman of whom Boaz spake, came by, vnto whom hee said, Ho, such a one: turne aside, sit downe here. And he turned aside, and sate downe.

2 And he tooke ten men of the Elders of the city, and said, Sit yee downe here. And they sate downe.

3 And he said vnto the kinsman: Naomi that is come againe out of the countrey of Moab, selleth a parcell of land, which was our brother Elimelechs.

† *Heb. I said, will reueale in thine eare*

4 And † I thought to aduertise thee, saying, Buy it before the inhabitants, and before the Elders of my people. If thou wilt redeeme *it*, redeeme *it*, but if thou wilt not redeeme it, then tell me that I may know: for there is none to redeeme it besides thee, and I *am* after thee. And he said I will redeeme it.

5 Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy *it* also of Ruth the Moabitesse, the wife of the dead, to raise vp the name of the dead vpon his inheritance.

6 ¶ And the kinseman said, I cannot redeeme it for my selfe, lest I marre mine owne inheritance: redeeme thou my right to thy selfe, for I cannot redeeme it.

7 * Now this was *the manner* in former time in Israel, concerning redeeming, and concerning changing, for to confirme all things: a man pluckt off his shooe, and gaue it to his neighbour: and this *was a* testimony in Israel.

8 Therefore the kinsman said vnto Boaz, Buy it for thee? so he drew off his shooe.

9 ¶ And Boaz said vnto the Elders, and vnto all the people: Yee *are* witnesses this day, that I haue bought all that was Elimelechs, and all that was Chilions and Mahlons, of the hand of Naomi.

10 Moreouer, Ruth the Moabitesse, the wife of Mahlon, haue I purchased to be my wife, to raise vp the name of the dead vpon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: yee *are* witnesses this day.

11 And all the people that were in the gate, and the Elders said, *We are* witnesses: The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel, and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and ‖ doe thou worthily in Ephratah, and † be famous in Bethlehem.

12 And let thy house be like the house of Pharez (* whom Tamar bare vnto Iudah) of the seed which the LORD shall giue thee of this young woman.

13 ¶ So Boaz tooke Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in vnto her, the LORD gaue her conception, and she bare a sonne.

14 And the women said vnto Naomi, Blessed be the LORD, which hath not † left thee this day without a ‖ kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel:

15 And he shall be vnto thee a restorer of *thy* life, and † a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law which loueth thee, which is better to thee then seuen sonnes, hath borne him.

16 And Naomi tooke the child, and laid it in her bosome, and became nurse vnto it.

17 And the women her neighbours gaue it a name, saying, There is a sonne borne to Naomi: and they called his name Obed: he *is* the father of Iesse, the father of Dauid.

18 ¶ Now these are the generations of Pharez: * Pharez begate Hezron,

19 And Hezron begate Ram, and Ram begate Amminadab,

20 And Amminadab begate Nahshon, and Nahshon begate ‖ Salmon,

21 And Salmon begate Boaz, and Boaz begate Obed,

22 And Obed begate Iesse, and Iesse begat Dauid.

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¶ THE FIRST BOOKE OF SAMVEL, otherwise called, The first booke of the Kings.

CHAP. I.

1 *Elkanah a Leuite, hauing two wiues, worshippeth yerly at Shiloh.* 4 *Hee cherisheth Hannah, though barren, and prouoked by Peninnah.* 9 *Hannah, in griefe, prayeth for a child.* 12 *Eli first reproueth her, afterwards blesseth her.* 19 *Hannah hauing borne Samuel, prayeth at home till hee be weaned.* 24 *She presenteth him, according to her vow to the* LORD.

NOw there was a certaine man of Ramathaim Zophim of mount Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Ieroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite;

2 And he had two wiues, the name of the one *was* Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

3 And this man went vp out of his city † yerely, to worship and to sacrifice vnto the LORD of hosts in Shiloh: and the two sonnes of Eli, Hophni, and Phinehas, the Priests of the LORD *were* there.

4 ¶ And when the time was that Elkanah offered, hee gaue to Peninnah his wife, and to all her sonnes and her daughters portions.

5 But vnto Hannah he gaue ‖ a worthy portion: (for he loued Hannah, but the LORD had shut vp her wombe.

6 And her aduersary also‖ prouoked her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut vp her wombe.)

7 And as he did so yeere by yeere, ‖ when she went vp to the house of the LORD: so she prouoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.

8 Then said Elkanah her husband, to her, Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieued? Am not I better to thee then ten sonnes?

9 So Hannah rose vp after they had eaten in Shiloh, after they had drunke. (Now Eli ‖ the Priest sat vpon a post of the Temple of the LORD.)

10 And she was ‖ in bitternesse of soule, and prayed vnto the LORD, and wept sore:

11 And she vowed a vow, & said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on ‖ the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt giue vnto thine handmaid † a man child, then I will giue him to ‖ the LORD, all ‖ the dayes of his life, & there shall no rasor come vpon his head.

12 And it came to passe, as she † continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.

13 Now Hannah she spake in her heart; only her lippes moued, but her voyce was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

14 And Eli said vnto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.

15 And Hannah answered, and said, No my lord, I am a woman † of a sorrowfull spirit: I haue drunke neither wine nor strong drinke, but haue powred out my soule before the LORD.

16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my ‖ complaint and griefe, haue I spoken hitherto.

17 Then Eli answered and said, Goe in peace: and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition, that thou hast asked of him.

18 And she said, let thine handmaid finde grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more *sad*.

19 ¶ And they rose vp in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife, and the LORD remembred her.

20 Wherefore it came to passe when the † time was come about, after Hannah had conceiued, that she bare a sonne, and called his name ‖ Samuel, *saying*, Because I haue asked him of the LORD.

21 And the man Elkanah and all his house, went vp to offer vnto the LORD the yeerely sacrifice, and his vow.

22 But Hannah went not vp; for she said vnto her husband, *I will not goe vp*, vntill the child bee weaned, and *then* I will bring him, that he may appeare before the LORD, and there abide for euer.

23 And Elkanah her husband said vnto her, Doe what seemeth thee good, tary vntill ‖ thou haue weaned him, only the LORD establish his word: so a woman abode, and gaue her son suck, vntill she weaned him.

24 ¶ And when she had ‖ weaned him, shee tooke him vp with her, with three bullocks, and one Ephah of floure, and a bottle of wine: and brought him vnto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child *was* young.

25 And they slew a bullocke, and brought the childe to Eli.

26 And she said, Oh my lord, as thy soule liueth, my lord, I *am* the woman that stood by thee heere, praying vnto the LORD.

27 For this child I prayed, and the LORD hath giuen me my petition, which I asked of him:

28 Therefore also I haue ‖ lent him to the LORD: as long as hee liueth, ‖ he shall be lent vnto the LORD. And he worshipped the LORD there.

† Heb. reuolution of dayes.

‖ That is, asked of God.

‖ Or, returned him vnto I haue obtained by petition of the LORD.

‖ Or, he whom I haue obtained by petition shall be returned.

CHAP. II.

1 *Hannahs song in thankfulnesse.* 12 *The sin of Elis sons.* 18 *Samuels ministery.* 20 *By Elies blessing, Hannah is more fruitfull.* 22 *Eli reproueth his sons.* 28 *A prophesie against Elies house.*

AND Hannah prayed, and said, My heart reioyceth in the LORD, mine horne is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged ouer mine enemies: because I reioyce in thy saluation.

2 There *is* none holy as ‖ the LORD: for there *is* none beside thee: neither *is* there any rocke like our God.

3 Talke no more so exceeding proudly, let not ‖ arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD *is* a God of knowledge, & by him actions are weighed.

4 The bowes of the mighty men are broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength.

5 They that *were* full, haue hired out themselues for bread: and they that *were* hungry ceased: so that the barren hath borne seuen, and she that hath many children is waxed feeble.

6 * The LORD killeth and maketh aliue, hee bringeth downe to the graue and bringeth vp.

7 The LORD maketh poore and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth vp.

8 He * raiseth vp the poore out of the dust, and lifteth vp the begger from the dunghill, to set *them* among Princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth *are* the LORDS: and he hath set the world vpon them.

9 He will keepe the feet of his Saints, and the wicked

‖ Or, strong.

* Deut. 32. 39. wis. 16. 13. tob. 13. 2. pſal. 107.

wicked shal be silent in darknesse, for by strength shall no man prevaile.

10 The aduersaries of the LORD shal be broken to pieces: *out of heauen shall hee thunder vpon them: the LORD shall iudge the ends of the earth and he shall giue strength vnto his King, and exalt the horne of his anointed.

11 And Elkanah went to Ramah vnto his house and the child did minister vnto the LORD before Eli the Priest.

12 ¶ Now the sonnes of Eli were sons of Belial, they knew not the LORD.

13 And the Priests custome with the people was, that when any man offered sacrifice, the Priests seruant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a flesh hooke of three teeth in his hand,

14 And hee strooke it into the pan, or kettle, or cauldron, or pot: all that the flesh-hooke brought vp, the Priest tooke for himselfe: so they did in Shiloh vnto all the Israelites that came thither.

15 Also before they burnt the fat, the Priests seruant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, giue flesh to roast for the Priest, for he will not haue sodden flesh of thee, but raw.

16 And if any man said vnto him, Let them not faile to burne the fat † presently, and then take as much as thy soule desireth: then he would answere him, Nay, but thou shalt giue it me now: and if not, I will take it by force.

17 Wherefore the sinne of the yong men was very great before the LORD, for men abhorred the offering of the LORD.

18 ¶ But Samuel ministred before the LORD, being a child, girded with a linnen Ephod.

19 Moreouer, his mother made him a little coat, & brought it to him from yere to yere, when she came vp with her husband, to offer the yeerly sacrifice.

20 ¶ And Eli blessed Elkanah, and his wife, and said, The LORD giue thee seed of this woman: for the ‖ loane which is lent to the LORD. And they went vnto their owne home.

21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that shee conceiued and bare three sons, and two daughters: and the child Samuel grew before the LORD.

22 ¶ Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did vnto all Israel, and how they lay with the women that † assembled at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

23 And he said vnto them, Why do ye such things? for ‖ I heare of your euil dealings, by all this people.

24 Nay, my sonst for it is no good report that I heare: ye mak the LORDS people to transgresse.

25 If one man sin against another, the iudge shall iudge him: but if a man sin against the LORD, who shal intreat for him? Notwithstanding, they hearkned not vnto the voyce of their father, because the LORD would slay them.

26 (And the child Samuel grew on, and was in fauour, both with the LORD, and also with men.)

27 ¶ And there came a man of God vnto Eli, and said vnto him, Thus saith the LORD, Did I plainely appeare vnto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaohs house?

28 And did I chuse him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my Priest, to offer vpon mine Altar, to burne incense, to weare an Ephod before me? and *did I giue vnto the house of thy father, all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel?

29 Where fore kick ye at my sacrifice, and at mine offering, which I haue commanded in my habitation and honourest thy sonnes aboue mee, to make your selues fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel my people?

30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel said indeed, that thy house, and the house of thy father should walke before me for euer: but now the LORD saith, Be it farre from me, for them that honour me, I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

31 Behold, the daies come, that I will cut off thine arme, and the arme of thy fathers house, that there shall not be an old man in thy house.

32 And thou shalt see an enemy in my habitation in all the wealth which God shall giue Israel: and there shall not be an old man in thy house for euer.

33 And the man of thine, whom I shall not cut off from mine Altar, shall be to consume thine eyes, and to grieue thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die † in the floure of their age.

34 And this shall be a signe vnto thee, that shall come vpon thy two sons, on Hophni, and Phinehas: in one day they shall die both of them.

35 And I will raise me vp a faithfull Priest, that shall doe according to that which is in mine heart and in my minde, and I will build me a sure house, and he shall walke before mine Anointed for euer.

36 And it shall come to passe, that euery one that is left in thine house, shall come and crouch vnto him for a piece of siluer and a morsell of bread, and shall say, † Put me I pray thee into some of the Priests offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.

CHAP. III.

1 *How the word of the Lord was first reuealed to Samuel.* 11 *God telleth Samuel the destruction of Elies house.* 15 *Samuel, though loth, telleth him the vision.* 19 *Samuel groweth in credit.*

AND ¶ child Samuel ministred vnto the LORD before Eli: and the word of the LORD was precious in those dayes: there was no open vision.

2 And it came to passe at that time, when Eli was laid downe in his place, and his eyes began to waxe dim that he could not see;

3 And yer the lampe of God went out in the Temple of the LORD, where the Arke of God was, and Samuel was laid downe *to sleepe*;

4 That the LORD called Samuel, and he answered, Here am I.

5 And he ran vnto Eli, and said, Here am I, for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not, lie downe againe. And he went and lay downe.

6 And the LORD called yet againe, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I, for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my sonne; lie downe again.

7 ¶ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet reuealed vnto him.

8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose, and went to Eli, and said, Here am I, for thou didst call me. And Eli perceiued that the LORD had called the childe.

9 Therfore Eli said vnto Samuel, Go, lie downe: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speake LORD, for thy seruant heareth. So Samuel went and lay downe in his place.

10 And the LORD came and stood and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speake, for thy seruant heareth.

11 ¶ And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will doe a thing in Israel, at which both the eares of *euery one that heareth it shall tingle.

12 In that day I will performe against Eli all things which I haue spoken concerning his house: † when I begin, I will also make an end.

13 ‖ For I haue told him, that I will iudge his house for euer, for the iniquity that he knoweth;

*Chap. 7.10.

†Hebr. as on the day.

*Exod. 28.40.

‖Or, petition which he asked, &c.

†Hebr. assembled by troopes

‖Or, I heare euill words of you.

‖Or, to set me.

*Ezech. 39.

*Chap. 4. v. 10.

…ith his sonnes made themselues ‖ vile, and hee …ained them not.

14 And therefore I haue sworne vnto the house …li, that the iniquitie of Elies house shall not …rged with sacrifice, nor offering for euer.

15 ¶And Samuel lay vntill the morning, and ope…d the doores of the house of the LORD: and Sa…uel feared to shew Eli the vision.

16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel my …nne. And he answered, Here am I.

17 And he said, What is the thing that the LORD …th said vnto thee? I pray thee hide it not from …e: God do so to thee, and † more also, if thou …de any thing from mee, of all the things that …d vnto thee.

18 And Samuel told him † euery whit, and hid …othing from him. And hee said, It is the LORD: …t him doe what seemeth him good.

19 ¶And Samuel grew, & the LORD was with him, …nd did let none of his words fall to the ground.

20 And all Israel, from Dan euen to Beer-sheba, …new that Samuel was ‖ established to be a Pro…het of the LORD.

21 And the LORD appeared againe in Shiloh: …or the LORD reuealed himselfe to Samuel in …hiloh, by the word of the LORD.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *The Israelites are ouercome by the Philistines then Iver.* 3 *They fetch the Arke to the terrour of the Philistines.* 10 *They are smitten againe, the Arke taken, Hophni and Phinehas are slaine.* 12 *He that bringeth the newes, falling backeward, breaketh his neck.* 19 *Phinehas wife discouraged in her trauaile bringeth forth a sonne, and dyeth.*

1 And the word of Samuel ‖ came to all Israel. Now Israel went out against the Philistines to battell, and pitched beside Eben-Ezer: and the Philistines pitched in Aphek.

2 And the Philistines put themselues in aray against Israel: and when † they ioyned battell, Israel was smitten before the Philistines: & they slew of the army in the field about foure thousand men.

3 ¶ And when the people were come into the campe, the Elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten vs to day before the Philistines? Let vs † fetch the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD out of Shiloh vnto vs, that when *it* commeth among vs, *it* may saue vs out of the hand of our enemies.

4 So the people sent to Shiloh that they might bring from thence the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD of hostes, which dwelleth *betweene* the Cherubims: and the two sonnes of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas *were* there with the Arke of the Couenant of God.

5 And when the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD came into the campe all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang againe.

6 And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, What meaneth the noise of this great shout in the campe of the Hebrewes? And they vnderstood that the Arke of the LORD was come into the campe.

7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the campe. And they said, Woe vnto vs! for there hath not beene such a thing

8 Woe vnto vs! who shall deliuer vs out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these are the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in

9 Be strong, and quit your selues like men, O yee Philistines, that yee be not seruants vnto the Hebrewes, * as they haue beene to you: † quit your selues like men, and fight.

10 ¶ And the Philistines fought, and Israel was † smitten, and they fled euery man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter, for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

11 And the Arke of God was taken, and the two sons of Eli, Hophni, and Phinehas † were slaine.

12 ¶ And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and with earth vpon his head.

13 And when he came, loe, Eli sate vpon a seat by the way side, watching: for his heart trembled for the Arke of God. And when the man came into the city and told it, all the city cryed out.

14 And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, What meaneth the noise of this tumult? And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.

15 Now Eli was ninety and eight yeeres old, and his * eyes † were dim, that he could not see.

16 And the man said vnto Eli, I am he that came out of the army, and I fled to day out of the army. And he said, What † is there done, my sonne?

17 And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines, and there hath beene also a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sonnes also, Hophni and Phinehas are dead, and the Arke of God is taken.

18 And it came to passe when hee made mention of the Arke of God, that he fell from off the seat backward, by the side of the gate, and his necke brake, and he died: for hee was an old man, and heauy. And he had iudged Israel forty yeeres.

19 ¶ And his daughter in law, Phinehas wife, was with childe, *neere* ‖ to be deliuered: and when she heard the tidings that the Arke of God was taken, and that her father in law, and her husband were dead, she bowed her selfe, and trauailed, for her paines † came vpon her.

20 And about the time of her death, the women that stood by her, said vnto her, Feare not, for thou hast borne a sonne. But she answered not, † neither did she regard *it*.

21 And she named the childe ‖ Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel, (because the Arke of God was taken, and because of her father in law, and her husband.)

22 And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for the Arke of God is taken.

CHAP. V.

1 *The Philistines hauing brought the Arke into Ashdod, set it in the house of Dagon.* 3 *Dagon is smitten downe and cut in pieces, and they of Ashdod smitten with Emrods.* 8 *So God dealeth with them of Gath, when it was brought thither, and so with them of Ekron, when it was brought hither.*

AND the Philistines tooke the Arke of God, and brought it from Eben-Ezer vnto Ashdod.

2 When the Philistines tooke the Arke of God, they brought it into the house of Dagon, and set it by Dagon.

3 ¶And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon was fallen vpon his face to the earth before the Arke of the LORD: and they tooke Dagon and set him in his place againe.

4 And when they arose early on the morow morning, Behold, Dagon was fallen vpon his face to the ground before the Arke of the LORD: and the head of Dagon, and both the palmes of his hands were cut off vpon the threshold, only ‖ the stumpe of Dagon was left to him.

5 There-

* Iudges 13.1.

† Hebr. *be men slaine.*

† Hebr. *smitten.*

* Chap. 3.2.

† Hebr. *flood.*

† Hebr. *is the thing.*

‖ Or, *10 yeeres old.*

† Hebr. *was layd.*

† Heb. *set not her heart.*

‖ That is, *where is the glory?*

‖ Or, *there is no glory.*

‖ Or, *the fishes part.*

5 Therefore neither the Priests of Dagon, nor any that come into Dagons house, tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod vnto this day.

6 But the hand of the LORD was heauy vpon them of Ashdód, and he destroyed them, and smote them with *Emerods, *euen* Ashdod and the coasts thereof.

*Psal. 78.66.

7 And when the men of Ashdod saw that *it was* so, they said, The Arke of the God of Israel shall not abide with vs: for his hand is sore vpon vs, and vpon Dagon our God.

8 They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines vnto them, and said, What shall we doe with the Arke of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the Arke of the God of Israel be carried about vnto Gath. And they carried the Arke of the God of Israel about *thither*.

9 And it was so, that after they had carried it about, the hand of the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city both small and great, and they had Emerods in their secret parts.

10 ¶ Therefore they sent the Arke of God to Ekron: and it came to passe, as the Arke of God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, They haue brought about the Arke of the God of Israel to vs, to slay vs and our people.

11 So they sent, and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and said, Send away the Arke of the God of Israel, and let it goe againe to his owne place, that it slay vs not, and our people: for there was a deadly destruction thorowout all the city: the hand of God was very heauy there.

12 And the men that died not, were smitten with the Emerods: and the cry of the city went vp to heauen.

CHAP. VI.

1 *After seuen moneths, the Philistines take counsell how to send backe the Arke.* 10 *They bring it on a new cart, with an offering vnto Beth-shemesh.* 19 *The people are smitten for looking into the Arke.* 21 *They send to them of Kiriath-iearim to fetch it.*

AND the Arke of the LORD was in the country of the Philistines seuen moneths.

2 And the Philistines called for the Priests and the diuiners, saying, What shall we do to the Arke of the LORD? tell vs wherewith we shall send it to his place?

3 And they said, If yee send away the Arke of the God of Israel, send it not empty: but in any wise returne him a trespasse offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be knowne to you, why his hand is not removed from you.

4 Then said they, What *shalbe* the trespasse offering, which we shal returne to him? They answered, Fiue golden Emerods, and fiue golden Mice *according to* the number of the lords of the Philistines: for one plague was on †you all, and on your lords.

†Hebr. *them.*

5 Wherefore ye shall make images of your Emerods, and images of your Mice that marre the land, and ye shall giue glory vnto the God of Israel: peradeuenture hee will lighten his hand from off you, and from off your gods, and from off your land.

6 Wherefore then doe ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians, and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought †wonderfully among them, did they not let the people goe, & they departed?

†Or, *preachfully.* *Exod. 12.31.

7 Now therefore make a new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there hath come no yoke, and tie the kine to the cart, and bring the calues home from them.

†Hebr. *them.*

8 And take the Arke of the LORD, and vpon the cart, and put the iewels of gold which ye returne him for a trespasse offering, in a coffer by the side thereof, and send it away that it may go.

9 And see if it goeth vp by the way of his owne coast to Beth-shemesh, then *he* hath done vs this great euill: but if not, then we shall know that it is not his hand that smote vs; it was a chance *that* happened to vs.

10 ¶ And the men did so: and tooke two milch kine, and tyed them to the cart, and shut their calues at home.

11 And they laid the Arke of the LORD vpon the cart, and the coffer with the Mice of gold and the images of their Emerods.

12 And the kine took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, & went along the high way, lowing as they went, and turned not aside to the right hand, or to the left & the Lords of the Philistines went after them vnto the border of Beth-shemesh.

13 And they of Beth-shemesh were reaping their wheat harueſt in the valley: and they lifted vp their eyes and saw the Arke, and reioyced to see it.

14 And the cart came into the field of Ioshua the Bethshemite, and stood there, where there was a great stone: and they claue the wood of the cart, and offered the kine a burnt offering vnto the LORD.

15 And the Leuites tooke downe the Arke of the LORD, and the coffer that *was* with it, wherein the iewels of gold *were*, and put them on the great stone: and the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed sacrifices the same day vnto the LORD.

16 And when the fiue lords of the Philistines had seene *it*, they returned to Ekron the same day.

17 And these are the golden Emerods which the Philistines returned for a trespasse offering vnto the LORD; for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Ashkelon one, for Gath one, for Ekron one.

18 And the golden Mice, *according to* the number of all the cities of the Philistines, *belonging to* the fiue lords, both of fenced cities, and of the countrey villages, euen vnto the great stone of Abel, whereon they set downe the Arke of the LORD: *which stone remaineth* vnto this day, in the field of Ioshua the Bethshemite.

19 ¶ And he smote the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked into the Arke of the LORD, euen hee smote of the people fiftie thousand men, and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten *many* of the people with a great slaughter.

20 And the men of Beth-shemesh said, Who is able to stand before this holy LORD God? and to whom shall he goe vp from vs?

21 ¶ And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kiriath-iearim, saying, The Philistines haue brought againe the Arke of the LORD; come ye downe, and fetch it vp to you.

CHAP. VII.

1 *They of Kiriath-iearim bring the Arke into the house of Abinadab, and sanctifie Eleazar his son to keepe it.* 2 *After twentie yeeres* [illegible] *vanities by Samuels meanes solemnly renewed at Mizpeh.* 7 *While Samuel prayeth and sacrificeth the Lord discomfiteth the Philistines by thunder at Eben-Ezer.* 13 *The Philistines are subdued.* 15 *Samuel peaceably and religiously iudgeth Israel.*

AND the men of Kiriath-iearim came and fetched vp the Arke of the LORD, and brought it into the house of Abinadab in the hill, and sanctified Eleazar his sonne, to keepe the Arke of the

Bibors. 8. 3.

And it came to passe while the Arke abode in Kiriath-iearim, that the time was long, for it was twenty yeere: and all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD.

2 ¶ And Samuel spake vnto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye doe returne vnto the LORD with your hearts, then * put away the strange gods, and Ashtaroth from among you, and prepare your hearts vnto the LORD, and serue him onely: and he will deliuer you out of the hand of the Philistines.

3 Then the children of Israel did put away * Baalim and Ashtaroth, and serued the LORD onely.

4 And Samuel said, Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for you vnto the LORD.

5 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drew water, and powred it out before the LORD, and fasted on that day, and said there, Wee haue sinned against the LORD. And Samuel iudged the children of Israel in Mizpeh.

6 And when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh, the lords of the Philistines went vp against Israel: and when the children of Israel heard it, they were afraid of the Philistines.

7 And the children of Israel said to Samuel, Cease not to cry vnto the LORD our God for vs, that he will saue vs out of the hand of the Philistines. Mat. 4. 10.

8 ¶ And Samuel tooke a sucking lambe, and offered it for a burnt offering wholly vnto the LORD: and Samuel cryed vnto the LORD for Israel, and the LORD heard him.

9 And as Samuel was offering vp the burnt offering, the Philistines drew neere to battell against Israel: but the LORD thundred with a great thunder on that day vpon the Philistines, and discomfited them, and they were smitten before Israel.

10 And the men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the Philistines, and smote them vntill they came vnder Bethcar.

11 Then Samuel tooke a stone and set it between Mizpeh and Shen, & called the name of it ‖ Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped vs.

12 ¶ So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more into the coast of Israel: and the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines all the dayes of Samuel.

13 And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel, were restored to Israel, from Ekron euen vnto Gath, and the coasts thereof did Israel deliuer out of the hands of the Philistines: and there was peace betweene Israel and the Amorites.

14 And Samuel iudged Israel all the dayes of his life.

15 And he went from yeere to yeere † in circuit to Bethel, and Gilgal, and Mizpeh, and iudged Israel in all those places. 2. Samuel 23. 3.

16 And his returne was to Ramah: for there was his house, and there he iudged Israel, and there hee built an Altar vnto the LORD.

CHAP. VIII.

The occasion of the ill gouernement of Samuels sonnes. The people aske a king. 6 Samuel praying is comforted by God. 10 He telleth the manner of a King. 19 God willeth Samuel to yeeld vnto the importunity of the people.

1 And it came to passe when Samuel was olde, that he made his sonnes Iudges ouer Israel.

2 Now the name of his first borne was Ioel, and the name of his second, Abiah: *they were* Iudges in Beer-sheba.

3 And his sonnes walked not in his wayes, but turned aside after lucre, and * tooke bribes, and peruerted iudgment. * Deut. 16, 19.

4 Then All the Elders of Israel gathered themselues together, and came to Samuel vnto Ramah,

5 And said vnto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sonnes walke not in thy wayes: now * make vs a King to iudge vs, like all the nations. * Osee 13. 10. 1. Sam. 12. 13, 16.

6 ¶ But the thing † displeased Samuel, when they said, Giue vs a King to iudge vs: and Samuel prayed vnto the LORD. † Heb. was euill in the eyes of Samuel.

7 And the LORD said vnto Samuel, Hearken vnto the voice of the people in all that they say vnto thee: for they haue not reiected thee, but they haue reiected me, that I should not reigne ouer them.

8 According to all the workes which they haue done since the day that I brought them vp out of Egypt, euen vnto this day, wherewith they haue forsaken me, and serued other gods: so doe they also vnto thee.

9 Now therefore ‖ hearken vnto their voice: ‖ howbeit, yet protest solemnly vnto them, and shew them the manner of the King that shall reigne ouer them. ‖ Or, obey. Or, protest with-standing, when thou hast solemnly protested against them: then thou shalt shew, &c.

10 ¶ And Samuel told all the words of the LORD vnto the people that asked of him a King.

11 And hee said, This will be the manner of the King that shall reigne ouer you: Hee will take your sonnes, and appoint *them* for himselfe, for his charets, and to be his horsemen, and *some* shall run before his charets.

12 And he will appoint him captaines ouer thousands, and captaines ouer fifties, and *will set them* to eare the ground, and to reape his harueft, and to make his instruments of warre, and instruments of his charets.

13 And he will take your daughters to bee confectionaries, and to be cookes, and to be bakers.

14 And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliueyards, *euen* the best *of them*, and giue *them* to his seruants.

15 And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and giue to his † officers, and to his seruants. † Heb. eunuches

16 And he will take your men-seruants, and your maid-seruants, and your goodliest young men, and your asses, and put them to his worke.

17 He will take the tenth of your sheepe, and ye shall be his seruants.

18 And ye shall cry out in that day because of your King which ye shall haue chosen you, and the LORD will not heare you in that day.

19 ¶ Neuertheless, the people refused to obey the voyce of Samuel; and they said, Nay, but wee will haue a King ouer vs;

20 That we also may be like all the nations, and that our King may iudge vs, and goe out before vs, and fight our battels.

21 And Samuel heard all the words of the people, & he rehearsed them in the eares of the LORD.

22 And the LORD said to Samuel, Hearken vnto their voice, and make them a King. And Samuel said vnto the men of Israel, Goe ye euery man vnto his city.

CHAP. IX.

1 Saul disparing to find his fathers asses, 6 by the counsell of his seruant, 11 and direction of young maidens, 15 according to Gods reuelation, 18 commeth to Samuel. 19 Samuel entertaineth Saul at the feast. 25 Samuel after secret communication, bringeth Saul on his way.

NOw there was a man of Beniamin, whose name was * Kish, the sonne of Abiel, the sonne of Zeror, * Chap. 14. 51. 1. Chron. 8. 33.

Bibors. 3.

Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the sonne of Aphiah, a ‖Beniamite, a mighty man of ‖power.

‖Or, the sonne of a man of Jemini.

‖Or, substance.

2 And hee had a sonne, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and *there was* not among the children of Israel a goodlier person then hee: from his shoulders and vpward, *hee was* higher then any of the people.

3 And the asses of Kish, Sauls father were lost; and Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, goe seeke the asses.

4 And hee passed thorow mount Ephraim, and passed thorow the land of Shalisha, but they found *them* not: then they passed thorow the land of Shalim, and *there* they *were* not: and he passed thorow the land of ỹ Beniamites, but they found *them* not.

5 *And* when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that was with him, Come, and let vs returne, lest my father leave *caring* for the asses, and take thought for vs.

6 And he said vnto him, Behold now, *there is* in this city a man of God, and hee *is* an honourable man: all that hee saith commeth surely to passe: Now let vs goe thither; peraduenture he can shew vs our way that we should goe.

†He'r. is gone out of, &c.

†Heb. is with vs, † Hebr. there is found in my hand.

7 Then said Saul to his servant, But behold, *if* we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread † is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: What † haue we?

8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, † Behold, I haue here at hand the fourth part of a shekle of siluer; that will I giue to the man of God to tell vs our way.

9 (Before time in Israel, when a man went to enquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let vs goe to the Seer: for he that is now *called* a Prophet, was before time called a Seer.)

†Heb. thy word is good.

10 Then said Saul to his seruant, † Well said, come, let vs goe: so they went vnto the city where the man of God *was*.

†Hebr. in the ascent of the city.

11 ¶ And as they went vp † the hill to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said vnto them, Is the Seer here?

‖Or, feast

12 And they answered them, and said, He is: behold, *he is* before you, make haste now: for he came to day to the city; for there is ‖ a sacrifice of the people to day in the high place.

13 Assoone as ye be come into the city, yee shall straightway finde him, before he goe vp to the high place to eate: for the people will not eat vntill he come, because he doth blesse the sacrifice, *and* afterwards they eate that bee bidden: Now therefore get ye vp, for † about this time ye shall finde him.

†Hebr. to day.

14 And they went vp into the city: and when they were come into the city, behold, Samuel came out against them, for to goe vp to the high place.

*Chap. 15.1. acts. 13.21.

15 ¶ * Now the LORD had † told Samuel in his eare a day before Saul came, saying,

†Hebr. reuealed the eare of Samuel.

16 To morrow about this time, I will send thee a man out of the land of Beniamin, and thou shalt anoint him to bee captaine ouer my people Israel, that he may saue my people out of the hand of the Philistines: for I haue looked vpon my people, because their crie is come vnto me.

†Hebr. restraine in.

17 And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said vnto him, Behold the man whom I spake to thee of: this same shall † reigne ouer my people.

18 Then Saul drew neere to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell mee, I pray thee, where the Seers house is.

19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I am the Seer: Goe vp before me vnto the high place, for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee goe, and will tell thee all that is in

20 And as for thine asses that were lost three dayes agoe, set not thy mind on them, for they are found: And on whom is all the desire of Israel? is it not on thee, and on all thy fathers house?

21 And Saul answered and said, Am not I a Beniamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Beniamin? wherefore then speakest thou thus to mee?

22 And Samuel tooke Saul and his seruant, and brought them into the parlour, and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden, which were about thirty persons.

23 And Samuel said vnto the cooke, Bring the portion which I gaue thee, of which I said vnto thee, Set it by thee.

24 And the cooke tooke vp the shoulder, and that which was vpon it, and set it before Saul. And Samuel said, Behold that which is ‖ left, set it before thee, *and* eat: for vnto this time hath it been kept for thee, *since* I said, I haue inuited the people. So Saul did eat with Samuel that day.

25 And when they were come downe from the high place into the citie, *Samuel* communed with Saul vpon the top of the house.

26 And they rose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, Vp, that I may send thee away: and Saul arose, and they went out both of them, he and Samuel abroad.

27 And as they were going downe to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the seruant go on before vs, (and he passed on) but stand thou still † a while, that I may shewthee the word of God.

CHAP. X.

1 Samuel anointeth Saul. 2 Her confirmed by prediction of three signes. 9 Sauls heart is changed, and he prophesieth. 14 He concealeth the matter of the kingdome from his vncle. 17 Saul is chosen at Mitzpeh by lot. 26 The different affection of subiects.

THen Samuel tooke a viall of oyle, and powred *it* vpon his head, and kissed him, and said, Is *it* not because the LORD hath anointed thee to be Captaine ouer his inheritance?

2 Waenthou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt find two men by * Rachels sepulchre in the border of Beniamin, at Zelzah: and they will say vnto thee, The asses which thou wentest to seeke, are found: and loe thy father hath left the care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I doe for my sonne?

3 Then shalt thou goe on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plaine of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going vp to God to Bethel, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaues of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine.

†Hebr. salute thee.

4 And they will † salute thee, and giue thee two *loaues* of bread, which thou shalt receiue of their hands.

5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where is the garison of the Philistines: and it shall come to passe, when thou art come thither to the citie, that thou shalt meet a company of Prophets comming downe from the high place, with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and a harp before them, and they shall prophesie:

6 And the Spirit of the LORD will come vpon thee, and thou shalt prophesie with them, and shalt be turned into another man.

7 And †let it bee when these signes are come vnto thee, †that thou doe as occasion serue thee, for God is with thee.

8 And thou shalt goe downe before me to Gilgal: and behold, I will come downe vnto thee, to offer burnt offerings, *and* to sacrifice sacrifices of peace offerings: * seuen dayes shalt thou tarry till I come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt doe.

9 ¶ And it was so, that when hee had turned his backe to goe from Samuel, God † gaue him another heart: and all those signes came to passe that day.

10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of the Prophets met him, and the Spirit of God came vpon him, and hee prophesied among them.

11 And it came to passe, when all that knew him before time, saw, that behold, he prophesied among the Prophets, then the people said † one to another, What is this that is come vnto the sonne of Kish? Is Saul also among the Prophets?

12 And one † of the same place answered, and said, But who is their father? Therefore it became a proverbe, Is Saul also among the Prophets?

13 And when hee had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place.

14 ¶ And Sauls vncle said vnto him, and to his seruant, Whither went yee? and he said, To seeke the asses: and when wee saw that *they were* no where, we came to Samuel.

15 And Sauls vncle said, Tell mee, I pray thee, what Samuel said vnto you.

16 And Saul said vnto his vncle, Hee told vs plainely that the asses were found. But of the matter of the kingdome, whereof Samuel spake, hee told him not.

17 ¶ And Samuel called the people together vnto the LORD to Mizpeh;

18 And said vnto the children of Israel, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought vp Israel out of Egypt, and deliuered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdomes, and of them that oppressed you.

19 And ye haue this day reiected your God, who himselfe saued you out of all your aduersities, and your tribulations: and yee haue said vnto him, Nay, but set a King ouer vs. Now therefore present your selues before the LORD, by your tribes, and by your thousands.

20 And when Samuel had caused all the tribes of Israel to come neere, the tribe of Beniamin was taken.

21 When hee had caused the tribe of Beniamin to come neere by their families, the family of Matri was taken, and Saul the son of Kish was taken: and when they sought him, he could not be found.

22 Therefore they enquired of the LORD further, If the man should yet come thither: and the LORD answered, Behold, hee hath hid himselfe among the stuffe.

23 And they ran, and fetched him thence, & when he stood among the people, hee was higher then any of the people, from the shoulders, and vpward.

24 And Samuel said vnto all the people, See yee him whom the LORD hath chosen, that there is none like him among all the people? And all the people shouted, and said, † God saue the King.

25 Then Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdome, and wrote it in a booke, and laid it vp before the LORD: and Samuel sent all the people away, euery man to his house.

26 ¶ And Saul also went home to Gibeah, and there went with him a band of men, whose hearts God had touched.

27 But the children of Belial said, How shall this man saue vs? And they despised him, and brought him no presents: but ‖ hee held his peace.

CHAP. XI.

1 Nahash offereth them of Iabesh-Gilead a reproachfull condition. 4 They send messengers, and are deliuered by Saul. 12 Saul therefore is confirmed, and his Kingdome renewed.

THen Nahash the Ammonite came vp, and encamped against Iabesh-Gilead: and all the men of Iabesh said vnto Nahash, Make a couenant with vs, and we will serue thee.

2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this condition will I make a couenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it for a reproach vpon all Israel.

3 And the Elders of Iabesh said vnto him, †Giue vs seuen dayes respite, that we may send messengers vnto all the coasts of Israel: and then if there bee no man to saue vs, we will come out to thee.

4 ¶ Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the eares of the people: and all the people lift vp their voyces, and wept.

5 And behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field, and Saul said, What aileth the people that they weepe? and they told him the tidings of the men of Iabesh.

6 And the Spirit of God came vpon Saul, when hee heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.

7 And he tooke a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent them throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, Whosoeuer commeth not forth after Saul, and after Samuel, so shall it bee done vnto his oxen: and the feare of the LORD fell on the people, and they came out † with one consent.

8 And when hee numbred them in Bezek, the children of Israel were three hundred thousand: and the men of Iudah thirty thousand.

9 And they said vnto the messengers that came, Thus shall yee say to the men of Iabesh-Gilead, To morrow by that time the Sun be hote, ye shall haue ‖ helpe. And the messengers came and shewed it to the men of Iabesh, and they were glad.

10 Therefore the men of Iabesh said, To morrow we will come out vnto you, and ye shall doe with vs all that seemeth good vnto you.

11 And it was so on the morrow, that Saul put the people in three companies, and they came into the midst of the hoste in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites vntill the heat of the day: and it came to passe, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them were not left together.

12 ¶ And the people said vnto Samuel, who is he that said, Shall Saul reigne ouer vs? Bring the men, that we may put them to death.

13 And Saul said, There shall not a man be put to death this day: for to day the LORD hath wrought saluation in Israel.

14 Then said Samuel vnto the people, Come and let vs go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdome there.

15 And all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul King before the LORD in Gilgal: and there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before the LORD: and there Saul and all the men of Israel reioyced greatly.

CHAP. XII.

1 Samuel testifieth his integrity. 6 Heereproueth the people of ingratitude. 16 He terrifieth them with

[Or, he was as though he had been deafe.

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† Hebr. as one man.

[Or, drift.

with thunder in harueſt time. 20 He comforteth them in Gods mercy.

AND Samuel ſaid vnto all Iſrael, Behold, I haue hearkened vnto your voyce, in all that ye ſaid vnto me, and haue made a King ouer you.

2 And now behold, the King walketh before you: and I am old and gray-headed, and behold, my ſonnes are with you: and I haue walked before you from my childhood vnto this day.

3 Behold, *here I am: witneſs againſt me before the LORD, and before his Anointed: Whoſe oxe haue I taken? or whoſe aſſe haue I taken? or whom haue I defrauded? whom haue I oppreſſed? or of whoſe hand haue I receiued any †bribe ‖to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will reſtore it you.

4 And they ſaid, Thou haſt not defrauded vs, nor oppreſſed vs, neither haſt thou taken ought of any mans hand.

5 And he ſaid vnto them, The LORD is witneſſe againſt you, and his Anointed is witneſſe this day, that yee haue not found ought in my hand: And they anſwered, He is witneſſe.

6 ¶ And Samuel ſaid vnto the people, *It is* the LORD that ‖aduanced Moſes and Aaron, and that brought your fathers vp out of the land of Egypt.

7 Now therefore ſtand ſtill, that I may reaſon with you before the LORD, of all the †righteous acts of the LORD, which he did † to you and your fathers.

8 *When Iacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cryed vnto the LORD, then the LORD *ſent Moſes and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place.

9 And when they forgate the LORD their God, *he ſold them into the hand of Siſera, captaine of the hoſte of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philiſtines, and into the hand of the King of Moab, and they fought againſt them.

10 And they cryed vnto the LORD, and ſaid, We haue ſinned, becauſe wee haue forſaken the LORD, and haue ſerued Baalim, and Aſhtaroth: but now deliuer vs out of the hand of our enemies, and we will ſerue thee.

11 And the LORD ſent Ierubbaal, and Bedan, and *Iephthah, and Samuel, and deliuered you out of the hand of your enemies on euery ſide, and yee dwelled ſafe.

12 And when ye ſaw that Nahaſh, the king of the children of Ammon came againſt you, ye ſaid vnto me, Nay, but a King ſhall reigne ouer vs, when the LORD your God *was* your King.

13 Now therefore, behold the King whom yee haue choſen, *and* whom yee haue deſired: and behold, the LORD hath ſet a King ouer you.

14 If ye will feare the LORD, and ſerue him, and obey his voyce, and not rebell againſt the † commandement of the LORD, then ſhall both yee, and alſo the King that reigneth ouer you, † continue following the LORD your God.

15 But if yee will not obey the voyce of the LORD, but rebell againſt the Commandement of the LORD, then ſhall the hand of the LORD be againſt you, as *it was* againſt your fathers.

16 ¶ Now therefore ſtand and ſee this great thing which the LORD will doe before your eyes.

17 Is it not wheat harueſt to day? I will call vnto the LORD, and he ſhall ſend thunder and raine, that ye may perceiue and ſee that your wickednes is great, which yee haue done in the ſight of the LORD in aſking you a King.

18 So Samuel called vnto the LORD, and the LORD ſent thunder and raine that day: and all the people greatly feared the LORD, and Samuel.

19 And all the people ſaid vnto Samuel, Pray for thy ſeruants vnto the LORD thy God, that we die not: for we haue added vnto all our ſinnes this euill, to aſke vs a King.

20 ¶ And Samuel ſaid vnto the people, Feare not: (ye haue done all this wickednes: yet turne not aſide from following the LORD, but ſerue the LORD with all your heart:

21 And turne yee not aſide: for then ſhould yee goe after vaine things which cannot profit nor deliuer, for they are vaine.)

22 For the LORD will not forſake his people for his great Names ſake: becauſe it hath pleaſed the LORD to make you his people.

23 Moreouer, as for me, God forbid that I ſhould ſin againſt the LORD, † in ceaſing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way.

24 Onely feare the LORD, and ſerue him in truth with all your heart: for conſider how great things he hath done for you.

25 But if ye ſhall ſtill doe wickedly, ye ſhall be conſumed, both ye and your King.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Sauls ſelected band. 3 He calleth the Hebrewes to Gilgal againſt the Philiſtines, whoſe garriſon Ionathan had ſmitten. 5 The Philiſtines great preparation. 6 The diſtreſſe of the Iſraelites. 8 Saul ſacrificeth, staying for Samuel. 11 Samuel reproueth him. 17 The three ſpoiling bands of the Philiſtines. 19 The policy of the Philiſtines to ſuppreſſe Smith in Iſrael.

SAul † reigned one yeere: and when he had reigned two yeeres ouer Iſrael,

2 Saul choſe him three thouſand men of Iſrael, whereof two thouſand were with Saul in Michmaſh, and in mount Bethel, and a thouſand were with Ionathan in Gibeah of Beniamin: and the reſt of the people he ſent euery man to his tent.

3 And Ionathan ſmote the garriſon of the Philiſtines that *was* in ‖Geba, and the Philiſtines heard *of it*: and Saul blew the trompet throughout all the land, ſaying, Let the Hebrewes heare.

4 And all Iſrael heard ſay, that Saul had ſmitten a gariſon of the Philiſtines, and that Iſrael alſo † was had in abomination with the Philiſtines. And the people were called together after Saul to Gilgal.

5 ¶ And the Philiſtines gathered themſelues together to fight with Iſrael, thirty thouſand charets, and ſixe thouſand horſemen, and people as the ſand which is on the Sea ſhore in multitude: and they came vp, and pitched in Michmaſh, eaſtward from Beth-auen.

6 When the men of Iſrael ſaw that they were in a ſtrait: (for the people were diſtreſſed:) then the people did hide themſelues in caues, and in thickets, and in rocks, & in high places, and in pits.

7 And *ſome* of the Hebrewes went ouer Iordan to the land of Gad and Gilead: as for Saul, he was yet in Gilgal, and all the people † followed him trembling.

8 ¶ *And he taried ſeuen dayes, according to the ſet time that Samuel *had appointed*: but Samuel came not to Gilgal, and the people were ſcattered from him.

9 And Saul ſaid, Bring hither a burnt offering to mee, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.

10 And it came to paſſe, that aſſoone as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold,

Eccluſ. 46.19.

†Hebr. ranſome.

‖Or, that I ſhould hide mine eyes at him.

‖Or, made.

†Hebr. righteouſneſſes, or benefits.

†Hebr. with.

*Gene. 46.5,26. *Exod. 3.16.

*Iudg. 4.2.

*Iudg. 11.1.

‖Hebr. mouth.

†Hebr. hereafter.

Samuel came, and Saul went out to meet him, that he might † salute him.

15 ¶ And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not within the dayes appointed, and that the Philistines gathered themselues together to Michmash:

12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come downe now vpon me to Gilgal, and I haue not † made supplication vnto the LORD: I forced my selfe therefore, and offered a burnt offering.

13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the Commandement of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD haue established thy kingdome vpon Israel for euer.

14 But now thy kingdome shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his owne heart, and the LORD hath commanded him to be captaine ouer his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.

15 And Samuel arose, and gate him vp from Gilgal, vnto Gibeah of Beniamin. And Saul numbred the people that were † present with him, about six hundred men.

16 And Saul and Ionathan his sonne, and the people that were present with them, abode in Gibeah of Beniamin: but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.

17 ¶ And the spoilers came out of the campe of the Philistines in three companies: one company turned vnto the way that leadeth to Ophrah, vnto the land of Shual:

18 And another company turned the way to Bethoron: and another company turned to the way of the border that looketh to the valley of Zeboim, toward the wildernesse.

19 ¶ Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrewes make them swords or speares.

20 But all the Israelites went downe to the Philistines, to sharpen euery man his share, and his coulter, and his axe, and his mattocke.

21 Yet they had a † file for the mattockes, and for the coulters, and for the forkes, and for the axes, and † to sharpen the goads.

22 So it came to passe in the day of battell, that there was neither sword nor speare found in the hand of any of the people that were with Saul and Ionathan: but with Saul and with Ionathan his sonne was there found.

23 And the ‖ garison of the Philistines went out to the passage of Michmash.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 *Ionathan vnwitting to his father, the Priest, smites people, goeth, and miraculously smiteth the Philistines garison.* 25 *A diuine terrour maketh them beat themselues.* 17 *Saul, not staying the Priests answere, setteth on them.* 21 *The captiued Hebrewes, and the hidden Israelites, ioyne against them.* 24 *Sauls vnaduised adiuration hindereth the victory.* 32 *Hee refraineth the people from eating blood.* 35 *Hee buildeth an Altar.* 36 *Ionathan taken by lot, is saued by the people.* 47 *Sauls warres, and family.*

NOw it came to passe vpon a day, that Ionathan the sonne of Saul said vnto the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let vs goe ouer vnto the Philistines garison, that is on the other side: but he told not his father.

2 And Saul tarried in the vttermost part of Gibeah vnder a pomegranate tree, which is in Migron: and the people that were with him, were about six hundred men:

3 And Ahiah the sonne of Ahitub, *Ichabods brother the sonne of Phinehas, the sonne of Eli, the LORDS Priest in Shiloh, wearing an Ephod, and the people knew not that Ionathan was gone.

4 ¶ And between the passages by which Ionathan sought to goe ouer to the Philistines garison, there was a sharpe rocke on the one side: and a sharpe rocke on the other side: and the name of the one was Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.

5 The † fore front of the one was situate Northward ouer against Michmash, and the other Southward ouer against Gibeah.

6 And Ionathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let vs goe ouer vnto the garison of these vncircumcised: it may bee that the LORD will worke for vs: for there is no restraint to the LORD *to saue by many, or by few.

7 And his armour-bearer said vnto him, Doe all that is in thine heart: turne thee, behold, I *am* with thee, according to thine heart.

8 Then said Ionathan, Behold, *wee* will passe ouer vnto *these* men, and wee will discouer our selues vnto them.

9 If they say thus vnto vs, † Tarry vntill we come to you: then we will stand still in our place, and will not goe vp to them.

10 But if they say thus, Come vp vnto vs: then we will goe vp, *for the LORD hath deliuered them into our hand: and this *shall be* a signe vnto vs.

11 And both of them discouered themselues vnto the garison of the Philistines: and the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrewes come forth out of the holes where they had hid themselues.

12 And the men of the garison answered Ionathan and his armour-bearer, and said, Come vp to vs, and we will shew you a thing. And Ionathan said vnto his armour bearer, Come vp after me: for the LORD hath deliuered them into the hand of Israel.

13 And Ionathan climbed vp vpon his hands, and vpon his feet, and his armour-bearer after him: and they fell before Ionathan, and his armour-bearer slew after him.

14 And that first slaughter which Ionathan and his armour-bearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were ‖ an halfe acre of land, which a yoke of oxen might plow.

15 And there was trembling in the host in the field, and among all the people, the garison and the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth quaked: so it was † a very great trembling.

16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Beniamin looked: and behold, the multitude melted away, and they went on beating downe *one another*.

17 Then said Saul vnto the people that *were* with him, Number now, and see, who is gone from vs. And when they had numbred, behold, Ionathan and his armour-bearer were not *there*.

18 And Saul said vnto Ahiah, Bring hither the Arke of God: (for the Arke of God was at that time with the children of Israel.)

19 ¶ And it came to passe while Saul talked vnto the Priest, that the ‖ noise that was in the host of the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul said vnto the Priest, Withdraw thine hand.

20 And Saul and all the people that were with him, † assembled themselues, and they came to the battell, and behold, * every mans sword was against his fellow, *and there was* a very great discomfiture.

21 Moreouer, the Hebrewes *that were* with the

Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the sonne of Aphiah, a ‖Benjamite, a mighty man of ‖ power.

‖Or, the sonne of a man of Jemini. ‖Or, substance.

2 And hee had a sonne, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person then hee: from his shoulders and vpward, hee was higher then any of the people.

3 And the asses of Kish, Sauls father were lost: and Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seeke the asses.

4 And hee passed thorow mount Ephraim, and passed thorow the land of Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed thorow the land of Shalim, and there they were not: and he passed thorow the land of the Benjamites, but they found them not.

5 And when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that was with him, Come, and let vs returne, lest my father leave caring for the asses, and take thought for vs.

6 And he said vnto him, Behold now, there is in this citie a man of God, and hee is an honourable man: all that hee saith commeth surely to passe: Now let vs goe thither; perad venture he can shew vs one way that we should goe.

7 Then said Saul to his servant, But behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: What † have we?

†He hath no more. †Heb. there is found in my hand.

8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekle of silver: that will I give to the man of God to tell vs our way.

9 (Before time in Israel, when a man went to enquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let vs goe to the Seer? for he that is now called a Prophet, was before time called a Seer.)

†Heb. in the ascent of the city.

10 Then said Saul to his servant, † Well said, come, let vs goe: so they went vnto the city where the man of God was.

†Heb. thy word is good.

11 ¶ And as they went vp the hill to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said vnto them, Is the Seer here?

12 And they answered them, and said, He is: behold, he is before you, make haste now: for he came to day to the city; for there is a sacrifice of the people to day in the high place.

‖Or, feast

13 As soone as ye be come into the city, ye shall straight way finde him, before he goe vp to the high place to eate: for the people will not eat vntill he come, because he doth blesse the sacrifice, and afterwards they eate that bee bidden: Now therefore get you vp, for † about this time ye shall finde him.

†Heb. to day.

14 And they went vp into the city: and when they were come into the city, behold, Samuel came out against them, for to goe vp to the high place.

*Chap. 15.1. acts. 13.21.

15 ¶ * Now the LORD had † told Samuel in his eare a day before Saul came, saying,

†Heb. revealed the eare of Samuel.

16 To morrow about this time, I will send thee a man out of the land of Benjamin, and thou shalt anoint him to bee captaine ouer my people Israel, that he may save my people out of the hand of the Philistines: for I have looked vpon my people, because their crie is come vnto me.

17 And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said vnto him, Behold the man whom I spake to thee of: this same shall † reigne ouer my people.

†Heb. restraine in.

18 Then Saul drew neere to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell mee, I pray thee, where the Seers house is.

19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I am the Seer: Goe vp before me vnto the high place, for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee goe, and will tell thee all that is in thine heart.

20 And as for thine asses that were lost three dayes agoe, set not thy mind on them, for they are found: And on whom is all the desire of Israel? is it not on thee, and on all thy fathers house?

21 And Saul answered and said, Am not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel, and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then speakest thou thus to me?

22 And Samuel tooke Saul and his servant, and brought them into the parlour, and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden, which were about thirtie persons.

23 And Samuel said vnto the cooke, Bring the portion which I gave thee, of which I said vnto thee, Set it by thee.

24 And the cooke tooke vp the shoulder, and that which was vpon it, and set it before Saul. And Samuel said, Behold that which is left, set it before thee, and eate: for vnto this appointed time was it kept for thee, since I said, I have inuited the people. So Saul did eat with Samuel that day.

25 And when they were come down from the high place into the citie, Samuel communed with Saul vpon the top of the house.

26 And they rose early: and it came to passe about the spring of the day, that Samuel called to Saul on the top of the house, saying, Vp, that I may send thee away: and Saul arose, and they went out both of them, he and Samuel abroad.

27 And as they were going down at the end of the citie, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the servant go on before vs, (and he passed on) but stand thou still a while, that I may shew thee the word of God.

CHAP. X.

1 *Samuel anointeth Saul. 7 He prophesieth by prediction of the effects. 9 Saul is changed, and prophesieth. 14 He concealeth the matter of the kingdome from his vncle. 17 He is sent for to Mizpeh by lot. 26 The valiant and the cowardly subiects.*

THen Samuel tooke a vyall of oile, and powred it vpon his head, and kissed him, and said, Is it not because the LORD hath anointed thee to be Captaine ouer his inheritance?

2 When thou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt finde two men by the * sepulchre in the border of Benjamin, at Zelzah, and they will say vnto thee, The asses which thou wentest to seeke, are found: and lo the father hath left the care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I doe for my sonne?

3 Then shalt thou goe on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plaine of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going vp to God to Bethel, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaues of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine.

4 And they will † salute thee, and giue thee two loaues of bread, which thou shalt receiue of their hands.

5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where is the garison of the Philistines: and it shall come to passe, when thou art come thither to the citie, that thou shalt meet a company of Prophets coming downe from the high place, with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and a harpe before them, and they shall prophesie.

6 And the Spirit of the LORD will come vpon thee, and thou shalt prophesie with them, and shalt be turned into another man.

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When hee had caused the tribe of Beniamin
e neere by their families, the family of Ma-
taken, and Saul the son of Kish was taken:
n they sought him, he could not be found.
Therefore they enquired of the LORD fur-
f the man should yet come thither: and the
nswered, Behold, hee hath hid himselfe
the stuffe.
nd they ran, and fetched him thence, & when
d among the people, hee was higher than
the people, from the shoulders, and vpward.
nd Samuel said vnto all the people, See yee
om the LORD hath chosen, that there is
like him among all the people? And all the
shouted, and said, † God saue the King.
Then Samuel told the people the manner of
gdome, and wrote it in a booke, and laid it
re the LORD: and Samuel sent all the peo-
, euery man to his house.
And Saul also went home to Gibeah, and
there went with him a band of men, whose hearts God had touched.
27 But the children of Belial said, How shall this man saue vs? And they despised him, and brought him no presents: but ‖ hee held his peace.

CHAP. XI.

1 *Nahash threatneth them of Iabesh-Gilead a reproachfull condition.* 4 *They send messengers, and are deliuered by Saul.* 12 *Saul therefore is confirmed, and his Kingdome renewed.*

THen Nahash the Ammonite came vp, and encamped against Iabesh-Gilead: and all the men of Iabesh said vnto Nahash, Make a couenant with vs, and we will serue thee.
2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this condition will I make a couenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it for a reproach vpon all Israel.
3 And the Elders of Iabesh said vnto him, † Giue vs seuen daues respite, that we may send messengers vnto all the coasts of Israel: and then if there bee no man to saue vs, we will come out to thee.
4 ¶ Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the eares of the people: and all the people lift vp their voyces, and wept.
5 And behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field, and Saul said, What aileth the people that they weepe? and they told him the tidings of the men of Iabesh.
6 And the Spirit of God came vpon Saul, when hee heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.
7 And he tooke a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent them throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, Whosoeuer commeth not forth after Saul, and after Samuel, so shall it bee done vnto his oxen: and the feare of the LORD fell on the people, and they came out † with one consent.
8 And when hee numbred them in Bezek, the children of Israel were three hundred thousand: and the men of Iudah thirty thousand.
9 And they said vnto the messengers that came, Thus shall yee say to the men of Iabesh-Gilead, To morrow by that time the Sun be hote, ye shall haue ‖ helpe. And the messengers came and shewed it to the men of Iabesh, and they were glad.
10 Therefore the men of Iabesh said, To morrow we will come out vnto you, and ye shall doe with vs all that seemeth good vnto you.
11 And it was so on the morrow, that Saul put the people in three companies, and they came into the midst of the hoste in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites vntill the heat of the day: and it came to passe, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them were not left together.
12 ¶ And the people said vnto Samuel, who is he that said, Shall Saul reigne ouer vs? Bring the men, that we may put them to death.
13 And Saul said, There shall not a man be put to death this day: for to day the LORD hath wrought saluation in Israel.
14 Then said Samuel vnto the people, Come and let vs go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdome there.
15 And all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul King before the LORD in Gilgal: and there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before the LORD: and there Saul and all the men of Israel reioyced greatly.

CHAP. XII.

1 *Samuel testifieth his integrity.* 6 *He reproueth the people of ingratitude.* 15 *He terrifieth them with*

[Or, he was as though he had been deafe.
[Hebr. as one man.
[Or, deliuerance.

with thunder in harueſt time. 20 *He comforteth them in Gods mercy.*

AND Samuel ſaid vnto all Iſrael, Behold, I haue hearkened vnto your voyce, in all that ye ſaid vnto me, and haue made a King ouer you.

2 And now behold, the King walketh before you: and I am old and gray-headed, and behold, my ſonnes are with you: and I haue walked before you from my childhood vnto this day.

3 Behold, *here I am; witneſs againſt me before the LORD, and before his Anointed: Whoſe oxe haue I taken? or whoſe aſſe haue I taken? or whom haue I defrauded? whom haue I oppreſſed? or of whoſe hand haue I receiued any † bribe ‖ to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will reſtore it you.

4 And they ſaid, Thou haſt not defrauded vs, nor oppreſſed vs, neither haſt thou taken ought of any mans hand.

5 And he ſaid vnto them, The LORD is witneſſe againſt you, and his Anointed is witneſſe this day, that yee haue not found ought in my hand: And they anſwered, He is witneſſe.

6 ¶ And Samuel ſaid vnto the people, *It is* the LORD that ‖ aduanced Moſes and Aaron, and that brought your fathers vp out of the land of Egypt.

7 Now therefore ſtand ſtill, that I may reaſon with you before the LORD, of all the † righteous actes of the LORD, which he did † to you and your fathers.

8 *When Iacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cryed vnto the LORD, then the LORD *ſent Moſes and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place.

9 And when they forgate the LORD their God, *he ſold them into the hand of Siſera, captaine of the hoſte of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philiſtines, and into the hand of the King of Moab, and they fought againſt them.

10 And they cryed vnto the LORD, and ſaid, We haue ſinned, becauſe wee haue forſaken the LORD, and haue ſerued Baalim, and Aſhtaroth: but now deliuer vs out of the hand of our enemies, and we will ſerue thee.

11 And the LORD ſent Ierubbaal, and Bedan, and *Iephthah, and Samuel, and deliuered you out of the hand of your enemies on euery ſide, and yee dwelled ſafe.

12 And when ye ſaw that Nahaſh, the king of the children of Ammon came againſt you, ye ſaid vnto me, Nay, but a King ſhall reigne ouer vs, when the LORD your God *was* your King.

13 Now therefore, behold the King whom yee haue choſen, *and* whom yee haue deſired: and behold, the LORD hath ſet a King ouer you.

14 If ye will feare the LORD, and ſerue him, and obey his voyce, and not rebell againſt the † commandement of the LORD, then ſhall both yee, and alſo the King that reigneth ouer you, † continue following the LORD your God.

15 But if yee will not obey the voyce of the LORD, but rebell againſt the Commandement of the LORD, then ſhall the hand of the LORD be againſt you, as *it was* againſt your fathers.

16 ¶ Now therefore ſtand and ſee this great thing which the LORD will doe before your eyes.

17 Is it not wheat harueſt to day? I will call vnto the LORD, and he ſhall ſend thunder and raine, that ye may perceiue and ſee that your wickednes *is* great, which yee haue done in the ſight of the LORD in aſking you a King.

18 So Samuel called vnto the LORD, and the LORD ſent thunder and raine that day: and all the people greatly feared the LORD, and Samuel.

19 And all the people ſaid vnto Samuel, Pray for thy ſeruants vnto the LORD thy God, that we die not: for we haue added vnto all our ſinnes this euill, to aſke vs a King.

20 ¶ And Samuel ſaid vnto the people, Feare not: (ye haue done all this wickednes, yet turne not aſide from following the LORD, but ſerue the LORD with all your heart:

21 And turne yee not aſide: for then ſhould yee goe after vaine things which cannot profit nor deliuer, for they are vaine.)

22 For the LORD will not forſake his people for his great Names ſake: becauſe it hath pleaſed the LORD to make you his people.

23 Moreouer, as for me, God forbid that I ſhould ſin againſt the LORD, † in ceaſing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way.

24 Onely feare the LORD, and ſerue him in truth with all your heart: for conſider how great things he hath done for you.

25 But if ye ſhall ſtill doe wickedly, ye ſhall be conſumed, both ye and your King.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *Sauls ſelected band.* 3 *He caſteth the Hebrewes to Gilgal againſt the Philiſtines, whoſe garriſon Ionathan had ſmitten.* 5 *The Philiſtines preparation.* 6 *The diſtreſſe of the Iſraelites.* 8 *Saul ſacrificeth, ſlaying for Samuel, ſacrificeth.* 11 *Samuel reproueth him.* 17 *The three ſpoiling bands of the Philiſtines.* 19 *The policy of the Philiſtines in ſuffering Smith in Iſrael.*

SAul † reigned one yeere: and when he had reigned two yeeres ouer Iſrael,

2 Saul choſe him three thouſand men of Iſrael, *whereof* two thouſand were with Saul in Michmaſh, and in mount Bethel, and a thouſand were with Ionathan in Gibeah of Beniamin: and the reſt of the people he ſent euery man to his tent.

3 And Ionathan ſmote the garriſon of the Philiſtines that *was* in ‖ Geba, and the Philiſtines heard *of it*: and Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, ſaying, Let the Hebrewes heare.

4 And all Iſrael heard ſay, that Saul had ſmitten a gariſon of the Philiſtines, and that Iſrael alſo † was had in abomination with the Philiſtines. And the people were called together after Saul to Gilgal.

5 ¶ And the Philiſtines gathered themſelues together to fight with Iſrael, thirty thouſand charets, and ſixe thouſand horſemen, and people as the ſand which is on the Sea ſhore in multitude: and they came vp, and pitched in Michmaſh, Eaſtward from Beth-auen.

6 When the men of Iſrael ſaw that they were in a ſtrait: (for the people were diſtreſſed:) then the people did hide themſelues in caues, and in thickets, and in rocks, & in high places, and in pits.

7 And *ſome* of the Hebrewes went ouer Iordan to the land of Gad and Gilead: as for Saul, he was yet in Gilgal, and all the people † followed him trembling.

8 ¶ *And he taried ſeuen dayes, according to the ſet time that Samuel had appointed: but Samuel came not to Gilgal, and the people were ſcattered from him.

9 And Saul ſaid, Bring hither a burnt offering to mee, and peace offerings. And hee offered the burnt offering.

10 And it came to paſſe, that aſſoone as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold,

1. Sam. 9.
2. Sam. 23.
Ecclus. 46.19.
2 Maccab. 6.15
Hebr. ranſome.
Or, that I ſhould hide mine eyes at him.
Or, made.
Hebr. righteouſneſſes, or benefits.
Hebr. with.
Gene. 46.5.6.
Exod. 3.16.
Iudg. 4.2.
Iudg. 11.1.
Hebr. mouth.
Hebr. be after.

uel came, and Saul went out to meet him, that
night † salute him.
13 ¶ And Samuel said, What hast thou done?
And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were
ered from me, and that thou camest not with-
the dayes appointed, and that the Philistines ga-
red themselues together to Michmash:
14 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come
me now vpon mee to Gilgal, and I haue not
ade supplication vnto the LORD: I forced my
e therefore, and offered a burnt offering.
15 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done
ishly: thou hast not kept the Commandement
the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee:
now would the LORD haue established thy
dome vpon Israel for euer.
16 But now thy kingdome shall not continue:
LORD hath sought him a man after his owne
rt, and the LORD hath commanded him to be
taine ouer his people, because thou hast not
t that which the LORD commanded thee.
17 And Samuel arose, and gate him vp from Gil-
vnto Gibeah of Beniamin: and Saul numbred
people that were † present with him, about six
dred men.
18 And Saul and Ionathan his sonne, and the
ple that were present with them, abode in Gi-
of Beniamin: but the Philistines encamped in
mash.
19 ¶ And the spoilers came out of the campe of
Philistines in three companies: one company
d vnto the way that leadeth to Ophrah, vnto
land of Shual:
20 And another company turned the way to Be-
ron: and another company turned to the way of
border that looketh to the valley of Zeboim,
d the wilderneſſe.
21 ¶ Now there was no smith found throughout
e land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest
Hebrewes make them swords or speares.
22 But all the Israelites went downe to the Phi-
es, to sharpen euery man his share, and his
ter, and his axe, and his mattocke.
23 Yet they had a † file for the mattockes, and
coulters, and for the forkes, and for the
and † to sharpen the goads.
24 So it came to passe in the day of battell, that
was neither sword nor speare found in the
d of any of the people that were with Saul and
than: but with Saul and with Ionathan his
n was there found.
25 And the ‖ garison of the Philistines went out
e passage of Michmash.

CHAP. XIIII.

Ionathan vnwitting to his father, the Priest, the people, goeth, and miraculously smiteth the Philistines garison. 25 A diuine terrour maketh them themselues. 17 Saul, not staying the returne, setteth on them. 21 The captiue Hebrewes, and the hidden Israelites, ioyne a- them. 24 Sauls vnaduised adiuration hin- the victory. 32 Hee restraineth the people eating blood. 35 Hee buildeth an Altar. 36 lot is taken by lot, is saued by the people. 47 strength and family.

1 It came to passe vpon a day, that Iona-
than the son of Saul said vnto the young man
that bare his armour, Come, and let vs goe ouer vnto the
garison of these vncircumcised: it may bee that the
LORD will worke for vs: for there is no restraint
to the LORD to saue by many, or by few.
7 And his armour-bearer said vnto him, Doe all
that is in thine heart: turne thee, behold, I am with
thee, according to thine heart.
8 Then said Ionathan, Behold, we will passe
ouer vnto these men, and we will discouer our
selues vnto them.
9 If they say thus vnto vs, † Tarry vntill we come
to you: then we will stand still in our place, and
will not goe vp to them.
10 But if they say thus, Come vp vnto vs: then we
will goe vp, * for the LORD hath deliuered them
into our hand: and this *shall be* a signe vnto vs.
11 And both of them discouered themselues vnto
the garison of the Philistines: and the Philistines
said, Behold, the Hebrewes come forth out of the
holes where they had hid themselues.
12 And the men of the garison answered Ionathan
and his armour-bearer, and said, Come vp to vs, and
we will shew you a thing. And Ionathan said vnto
his armour-bearer, Come vp after mee: for the
LORD hath deliuered them into the hand of Israel.
13 And Ionathan climbed vp vpon his hands, and
vpon his feet, and his armour-bearer after him: and
they fell before Ionathan, and his armour-bearer
slew after him.
14 And that first slaughter which Ionathan and
his armour-bearer made, was about twenty men,
within as it were ‖ an halfe acre of land, which a
yoke *of oxen might* plow.
15 And there was trembling in the host in the
field, and among all the people, the garison and
the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth
quaked: so it was † a very great trembling.
16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Ben-
iamin looked: and behold, the multitude melted
away, and they went on beating downe *one another*.
17 Then said Saul vnto the people that *were*
with him, Number now, and see, who is gone from
vs. And when they had numbred, behold, Ionathan
and his armour-bearer were not *there*.
18 And Saul said vnto Ahiah, Bring hither the
Arke of God: (for the Arke of God was at that
time with the children of Israel.)
19 ¶ And it came to passe while Saul talked vn-
to the Priest, that the ‖ noise that was in the host of
the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul
said vnto the Priest, Withdraw thine hand.
20 And Saul and all the people that were with
him, † assembled themselues, and they came to the
battell, and behold, * euery mans sword was a-
gainst his fellow, *and there was* a very great dis-
comfiture.
21 Moreouer, the Hebrewes *that* were with the

*Chap. 4,21.

† Hebr. Sooba.

*2. Chron. 14.11.

† Hebr. be still.

*1. Mac. 4.30.

[Or, halfe a furrow of an acre of land.

† Heb. a trembling of God.

[Or, tumult.

† Hebr. wearied together.

*Iudg. 7. 22. 2. Chron. 20. 23.

Philistines before that time which went vp with them into the campe, *from the countrey* round about: euen they also *turned* to be with the Israelites, that *were* with Saul and Ionathan.

22 Likewise all the men of Israel, which had hid themselues in mount Ephraim, *when* they heard that the Philistines fled, euen they also followed hard after them in the battell.

23 So the LORD saued Israel that day: and the battell passed ouer vnto Beth-auen.

24 ¶ And the men of Israel were distressed that day; for Saul had adiured the people, saying, Cursed be the man that eateth any food vntill euening, that I may be auenged on mine enemie: so none of the people tasted any food.

25 And all *they of* the land came to a wood, and there was hony vpon the ground.

26 And when the people were come into the wood, behold, the hony dropped, but no man put his hand to his mouth: for the people feared the oath.

27 But Ionathan heard not when his father charged the people with the oath: wherefore hee put forth the end of the rod that *was* in his hand, and dipt it in an hony combe, and put his hand to his mouth, and his eyes were enlightned.

28 Then answered one of the people, and said, Thy father straitly charged the people with an oath, saying, Cursed bee the man that eateth any food this day. And the people were ‖ faint.

‖ Or, wery.

29 Then said Ionathan, My father hath troubled the land: see, I pray you, how mine eyes haue beene enlightened, because I tasted a little of this hony:

30 How much more if haply the people had eaten freely to day of the spoile of their enemies which they found? for had there not beene now a much greater slaughter among the Philistines?

31 And they smote the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon: and the people were very faint.

32 And the people flew vpon the spoile, and tooke sheepe, and oxen, and calues, and slew them on the ground, and the people did eat them * with the blood.

Leuit. 7. 26. & 19. 26. deut. 12. 16.

33 ¶ Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against the LORD, in that they eat with the blood. And he said, Yee haue ‖ transgressed: roule a great stone vnto me this day.

‖ Or, dealt treacherously.

34 And Saul said, Disperse your selues among the people, and say vnto them, Bring mee hither euery man his oxe, and euery man his sheepe, and slay *them* here, and eat, and sinne not against the LORD in eating with the blood. And all the people brought euery man his oxe † with him that night, and slew *them* there.

† Heb. in his hand.

35 And Saul built an Altar vnto the LORD: † the same was the first Altar that hee built vnto the LORD.

† Hebr. What Altar he began to build vnto the LORD.

36 ¶ And Saul said, Let vs goe downe after the Philistines by night, and spoile them vntill the morning light, and let vs not leaue a man of them. And they said, Doe whatsoeuer seemeth good vnto thee. Then said the Priest, Let vs draw neere hither vnto God.

37 And Saul asked counsell of God, Shall I goe downe after the Philistines? Wilt thou deliuer them into the hand of Israel? But he answered him not that day.

38 And Saul said, Draw ye neere hither, * all the † chiefe of the people: and know and see wherein this sinne hath beene this day.

**Iudg. 20. 2. † Hebr. corners.*

39 For as the LORD liueth, which saueth Israel, though it be in Ionathan my son, he shall surely dye.

But *there was* not a man among all the people that answered him.

40 Then said hee vnto all Israel, Be yee on one side, and I, and Ionathan my sonne will be on the other side. And the people said vnto Saul, Doe what seemeth good vnto thee.

41 Therefore Saul said vnto the LORD God of Israel, ‖ Giue a perfect *lot*. And Saul and Ionathan were taken: but the people † escaped.

‖ Or, Why hast thou not answered thy seruant this day? if the iniquity be in me or in Ionathan my sonne, giue vrim. And if thou say thus, Giue thummim. † Hebr. went forth.

42 And Saul said, Cast *lots* betweene me and Ionathan my sonne. And Ionathan was taken.

43 Then Saul said to Ionathan, Tell me what thou hast done. And Ionathan told him, and said, I did but taste a little hony with the end of the rod that *was* in mine hand, *and* lo, I must die.

44 And Saul answered, God doe so, and more also: for thou shalt surely die, Ionathan.

45 And the people said vnto Saul, Shall Ionathan die, who hath wrought this great saluation in Israel? God forbid: as the LORD liueth there shall not one haire of his head fall to the ground: for he hath wrought with God this day. So the people rescued Ionathan, that he died not.

46 Then Saul went vp from following the Philistines: and the Philistines went to their owne place.

47 ¶ So Saul tooke the kingdome ouer Israel, and fought against all his enemies on euery side, against Moab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the Kings of Zobah, and against the Philistines: and whithersoeuer he turned himselfe he vexed *them*.

48 And he ‖ gathered an hoste, and smote the Amalekites, and deliuered Israel out of the hands of them that spoiled them.

‖ Or, wrought valiantly.

49 Now the sonnes of Saul *were* Ionathan, and Ishui, and Melchishua, and the names of his two daughters *were these*; the name of the first-borne Merab, and the name of the younger, Michal:

50 And the name of Sauls wife *was* Ahinoam the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name of the captaine of his hoste *was* Abner the sonne of Ner Sauls vncle.

51 And Kish *was* the father of Saul, and Ner the father of Abner *was* the sonne of Abiel.

52 And there was sore warre against the Philistines all the daies of Saul: and when Saul saw any strong man, or any valiant man, he tooke him vnto him.

CHAP. XV.

1 Samuel sendeth Saul to destroy Amalek. 4 He assembleth the people. 8 He smiteth Agag. 9 Saul spareth the best of the spoyle. 10 Samuel denounceth vnto him the losse of his kingdome. 12 Saul excuseth himselfe, 15 and accuseth the people. 17 Samuel reproueth him for his disobedience. 24 Sauls humiliation. 26 Samuel refuseth Saul. 32 Samuel killeth Agag. 34 Samuel and Saul depart.

SAmuel also said vnto Saul, *The LORD sent me* to anoint thee to be king ouer his people, ouer Israel: now therefore hearken thou vnto the voice of the words of the LORD.

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember *that* which Amalek did to Israel, * how he laid wait for him in the way when he came vp from Egypt.

**Exod. 17. 8.*

3 Now goe and smite Amalek, and vtterly destroy all that they haue, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, oxe and sheepe, camell and asse.

4 And Saul gathered the people together, and numbred them in Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Iudah.

5 And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and laid wait in the valley.

6 ¶ And Saul said vnto the Kenites, Go, depart, get you down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them: for yee shewed kindnesse to all

ildren of Israel when they came vp out of Egypt.
the Kenites departed from among the Amale-
ites.
7 And Saul smote the Amalekites from Haui-
vntill thou comest to Shur, that is ouer a-
inst Egypt.
8 And hee tooke Agag the King of the Amale-
tes aliue, and vtterly destroyed all the people
th the edge of the sword.
9 But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the
st of the sheepe, and of the oxen, and of the fat-
gs, and the lambs, and all that was good, and
uld not vtterly destroy them: but every thing
at was vile, & refuse, that they destroyed vtterly.
10 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto
muel, saying,
11 It repenteth me that I haue set vp Saul to bee
ng: for hee is turned backe from following
e, and hath not performed my commandements.
And it grieued Samuel: and hee cried vnto the
RD all night.
12 And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in
e morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came
Carmel, and behold, he set him vp a place, and is
e about, & passed on, and gone downe to Gilgal.
13 And Samuel came to Saul, and Saul said vnto
, Blessed be thou of the LORD: I haue per-
the commandement of the LORD.
14 And Samuel said, What meaneth then this
eating of the sheepe in mine eares, and the low-
of the oxen which I heare?
15 And Saul said, They haue brought them from
Amalekites: for the people spared the best of
sheepe, and of the oxen, to sacrifice vnto the
RD thy God, and the rest we haue vtterly de-
oyed.
16 Then Samuel said vnto Saul, Stay, and I will
ll thee what the LORD hath said to mee this
ght. And he said vnto him, Say on.
17 And Samuel said, When thou wast little in
thine owne sight, wast thou not made the head of
bes of Israel, and the LORD anointed thee
er Israel?
18 And the LORD sent thee on a iourney, and
d, Go and vtterly destroy the sinners the Amale-
s, and fight against them vntill † they be consu-
ed.
19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice
the LORD, but didst flie vpon the spoile, and didst
l euill in the sight of the LORD?
20 And Saul said vnto Samuel, Yea, I haue obeyed
voice of the LORD, and haue gone the way
ich the LORD sent me, and haue brought Agag
King of Amalek, and haue vtterly destroyed
Amalekites,
21 But the people tooke of the spoile, sheep and
e, the chiefe of the things which should haue
en vtterly destroyed, to sacrifice vnto the LORD
r God in Gilgal.
22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great
ght in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in o-
ying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey, is
tter then sacrifice: and to hearken, then the fat
the rammes.
23 For rebellion is as the sinne of † witchcraft,
stubbornesse is as iniquity and idolatry: be-
use thou hast reiected the word of the LORD,
hath also reiected thee from being King.
24 And Saul said vnto Samuel, I haue sinned:
I haue transgressed the commandement of the
RD, and thy words, because I feared the people,
and obeyed their voice.
25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sinne,
and turne againe with me, that I may worship the
LORD.
26 And Samuel said vnto Saul, I will not returne
with thee: for thou hast reiected the word of the
LORD, and the LORD hath reiected thee from be-
ing King ouer Israel.
27 And as Samuel turned about to goe away, he
laid hold vpon the skirt of his mantle, and it rent.
28 And Samuel said vnto him, The LORD hath
rent the Kingdome of Israel from thee this day,
and hath giuen it to a neighbour of thine, that is
better then thou.
29 And also the ‖ strength of Israel will not lie
nor repent: for he is not a man † he should repent.
30 Then he said, I haue sinned: yet honour mee
now, I pray thee, before the Elders of my people,
and before Israel, and turne againe with me, that I
may worship the LORD thy God.
31 So Samuel turned againe after Saul, and Saul
worshipped the LORD.
32 ¶ Then said Samuel, Bring you hither to me
Agag the King of the Amalekites: and Agag came
to him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bit-
ternesse of death is past.
33 And Samuel said, * As thy sword hath made
women childles so shall thy mother be childles a-
mong women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces
before the LORD in Gilgal.
34 ¶ Then Samuel went to Ramah, and Saul went
vp to his house to Gibeah of Saul.
35 And Samuel came no more to see Saul vntill
the day of his death: neuerthelesse Samuel mourned
for Saul: and the LORD repented that he had made
Saul king ouer Israel.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Samuel sent by God, vnder pretence of a sacrifice, commeth to Bethlehem. 6 His humane iudgement is reprooued. 11 He anointeth Dauid. 13 Saul sendeth for Dauid to quiet his euill spirit.

AND the LORD said vnto Samuel, How long
wilt thou mourne for Saul, seeing I haue re-
iected him from reigning ouer Israel? Fill thine
horne with oile, and goe, I will send thee to Isse
the Bethlehemite: for I haue prouided me a King
among his sonnes.
2 And Samuel said, How can I goe? If Saul
heare it, he will kill me. And the LORD said, Take
an heifer † with thee, and say, I am come to sa-
crifice to the LORD.
3 And call Isse to the sacrifice, and I will shew
thee what thou shalt doe: and thou shalt anoint
vnto me *him* whom I name vnto thee.
4 And Samuel did that which the LORD spake,
and came to Bethlehem: and the Elders of the
towne trembled at his † comming, and said, Com-
mest thou peaceably?
5 And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice
vnto the LORD: sanctifie your selues, and come
with mee to the sacrifice: and he sanctified Isse
and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice.
6 ¶ And it came to passe when they were come,
that hee looked on Eliab, and said, Surely the
LORDS anointed is before him.
7 But the LORD said vnto Samuel, looke not on
his countenance, or on the height of his stature, be-
cause I haue refused him: for *the LORD seeth* not
as man seeth: For man looketh on the † outward
appearance, but the LORD looketh on the *heart.
8 Then Isse called Abinadab, and made him
passe before Samuel: and he said, Neither hath the
LORD chosen this.

‖ Or, victory or victory.

* Exo. 17. 14. 1. Sam. 15. 33.

† Heb. in shine hand.

† Heb. meeting.

† Heb. eyes. * 1. Chro. 28. 9. psal. 7. 9. Iere. 11. 20. & 17. 10. & 20. 12. Reuel. 2. 23.

9 Then Ieſſe made Shammah to paſſe by: and he ſaid, Neither hath the LORD choſen this.

10 Againe, Ieſſe made ſeuen of his ſons to paſſe before Samuel: and Samuel ſaid vnto Ieſſe, The LORD hath not choſen theſe.

11 And Samuel ſaid vnto Ieſſe, Are here all *thy* children? And he ſaid, There remaineth yet the youngeſt, and behold, he keepeth the ſheep. And Samuel ſaid vnto Ieſſe, * Send and fetch him: for we will not ſit † downe, till he come hither.

12 And he ſent and brought him in: now he *was* ruddy, *and* withall † of a beautifull countenance, and goodly to looke to: And the LORD ſaid, Ariſe, anoint him: for this *is* he.

13 Then Samuel tooke the horne of oyle, and anointed him in the midſt of his brethren: And the Spirit of § LORD came vpon Dauid from that day forward. So Samuel roſe vp & went to Ramah.

14 ¶ But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul and an euill ſpirit from the LORD ‖ troubled him.

15 And Sauls ſeruants ſaid vnto him, Behold, now, an euill ſpirit from God troubleth thee.

16 Let our Lord now command thy ſeruants *which are* before thee, to ſeeke out a man, who *is* a cunning player on a harpe: and it ſhall come to paſſe when the euill ſpirit from God is vpon thee, that he ſhal play with his hand, and thou ſhalt be well.

17 And Saul ſaid vnto his ſeruants, Prouide me now a man § can play well, and bring him to me.

18 Then anſwered one of the ſeruants, and ſaid, Behold, I haue ſeene a ſon of Ieſſe the Bethlemite, that is cunning in playing, and a mighty valiant man, and a man of warre, and prudent in matters, and a comely perſon, and the LORD is with him.

19 ¶ Wherefore Saul ſent meſſengers vnto Ieſſe, and ſaid, Send me Dauid thy ſon, which *is* with the ſheepe.

20 And Ieſſe tooke an aſſe *laden* with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a kid, and ſent *them* by Dauid his ſon vnto Saul.

21 And Dauid came to Saul, and ſtood before him: and he loued him greatly, and he became his armour-bearer.

22 And Saul ſent to Ieſſe, ſaying, Let Dauid, I pray thee, ſtand before me: for hee hath found fauour in my ſight.

23 And it came to paſſe when the *euill* ſpirit from God was vpon Saul, that Dauid tooke an harpe, and played with his hand: ſo Saul was refreſhed, and was well, and the euill ſpirit departed from him.

CHAP. XVII.

1 *The armies of the Iſraelites and Philiſtines being ready to battell,* 4 *Goliath commeth proudly forth to challenge a combate.* 12 *Dauid ſent by his father to viſite his brethren, taketh the challenge,* 28 *Eliabe chideth him.* 30 *He is brought to Saul.* 32 *He ſtrengtheth the reaſon of his confidence.* 38 *Without armour, armed by faith, he ſlayeth the Gyant.* 55 *Saul taketh notice of Dauid.*

NOw the Philiſtines gathered together their armies to battell, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which *belongeth* to Iudah, and pitched betweene Shocheh, and Azekah in ‖ Ephes-Dammim.

2 And Saul, and the men of Iſrael were gathered together, and pitched by the valley of Elah, and † ſet the battell in aray againſt the Philiſtines.

3 And the Philiſtines ſtood on a mountaine on the one ſide, and Iſrael ſtood on a mountaine on the other ſide, and there *was* a valley betweene them.

4 ¶ And there went out a champion out of the campe of the Philiſtines, named Goliath of Gath, whoſe height *was* ſixe cubits and a ſpan.

5 And *he had* an helmet of braſſe vpon his head, and he was † armed with a coat of male: and the weight of the coat was fiue thouſand ſhekels of braſſe.

6 And *he had* greaues of braſſe vpon his legs, and a ‖ target of braſſe betweene his ſhoulders.

7 And the ſtaffe of his ſpeare was like a weauers beame, and his ſpeares head *weighed* ſixe hundred ſhekels of iron, and one bearing a ſhield went before him.

8 And hee ſtood and cried vnto the armies of Iſrael, and ſaid vnto them, Why are ye come out to ſet your battell in aray? am not I a Philiſtine, and you ſeruants to Saul? chuſe you a man for you, and let him come downe to me.

9 If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your ſeruants: but if I preuaile againſt him, and kill him, then ſhall ye be our ſeruants, and ſerue vs.

10 And the Philiſtine ſaid, I defie the armies of Iſrael this day: giue mee a man that we may fight together.

11 When Saul and all Iſrael heard thoſe words of the Philiſtine, they were diſmayed, and greatly afraid.

12 ¶ Now Dauid *was* * the ſonne of that Ephrathite of Bethlehem Iudah, whoſe name was Iſhai, and hee had eight ſonnes: and the man went among men for an old man in the dayes of Saul.

13 And the three eldeſt ſonnes of Ieſſe went and followed Saul to the battell: and the names of his three ſonnes that went to the battell, were Eliab the firſt borne, and next vnto him, Abinadab, and the third Shammah.

14 And Dauid was the youngeſt: and the three eldeſt followed Saul.

15 But Dauid went and returned from Saul, to feed his fathers ſheepe at Bethlehem.

16 And the Philiſtine drew neere morning and euening, and preſented himſelfe forty dayes.

17 And Ieſſe ſaid vnto Dauid his ſonne, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched corne, and theſe ten loaues, and run to the campe to thy brethren.

18 And carry theſe ten † cheeſes vnto the captaine of *their* thouſand, and looke how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.

19 Now Saul, and they and all the men of Iſrael *were* in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philiſtines.

20 ¶ And Dauid roſe vp early in the morning, and left the ſheepe with a keeper, and tooke, and went as Ieſſe had commanded him, and he came to the ‖ trench, as the hoſt was going forth to the fight, and ſhouted for the battell.

21 For Iſrael and the Philiſtines had put the battell in aray, army againſt army.

22 And Dauid left † his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and † ſaluted his brethren.

23 And as hee talked with them, behold, there came vp the champion (the Philiſtine of Gath Goliath by name) out of the armies of the Philiſtines, and ſpake according to the ſame words: and Dauid heard *them*.

24 And all the men of Iſrael when they ſaw the man, fled † from him, and were ſore afraid.

25 And the men of Iſrael ſaid, Haue you ſeene this man? ſurely to defie Iſrael

* 1. Sam. 7. 8. pſal. 78. 71.
† Heb. ruddy.
† Heb. faire of eyes.
‖ Or, ſtirred.
‖ Or, ſpeech.
‖ Or, the coaſt of Dammim
† Heb. ranged the battell.

ne vp: and it shall be that the man who killed, ...n the King will inrich him with great riches, ...d * will giue him his daughter, and make his fa...hers house free in Israel.

26 And Dauid spake to the men that stood by him, ...ying, What shall be done to the man that killeth ...n Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from ...rael? for who is this vncircumcised Philistine, ...t he should defie the armies of the liuing God?

27 And the people answered him after this man...r saying, So shall it be done to the man that kil...th him.

28 ¶ And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he ...ke vnto the men, and Eliabs anger was kindled ...inst Dauid, and he said: Why camest thou downe ...ther? and with whom hast thou left those few ...epe in the wilderne sse? I know thy pride, and ...naughtinesse of thine heart: for thou art come ...wne that thou mightest see the battell.

29 And Dauid said, What haue I now done? Is ...re not a cause?

30 ¶ And he turned from him towards another, ...d spake after the same † manner: and the people ...swered him againe after the former manner.

31 And when the words were heard which Da...d spake, they rehearsed them before Saul: and ...† sent for him.

32 ¶ And Dauid said to Saul, Let no mans heart ...le because of him, thy seruant will goe and fight ...th this Philistine.

33 And Saul said to Dauid, Thou art not able to ...go against this Philistine to fight with him: for ...thou *art but* a youth, and hee a man of warre from ...s youth.

34 And Dauid said vnto Saul, Thy seruant kept ...s fathers sheepe, and there came a Lyon, and a ...ar, and tooke a † lambe out of the flocke:

35 And I went out after him, and smote him, ...d deliuered *it* out of his mouth, and when hee ...se against me, I caught him by his beard, and ...te him, and slew him.

36 Thy seruant slew both the lion and the beare: ...d this vncircumcised Philistine shall be as one ...em, seeing he hath defied the armies of the ...g God.

37 Dauid said moreouer, The LORD that deli...red me out of the paw of the Lyon, and out of ...e paw of the Beare, hee will deliuer me out of ...e hand of this Philistine: and Saul said vnto Da...d, Goe, and the LORD be with thee.

38 ¶ And Saul † armed Dauid with his armour, ...d he put an helmet of brasse vpon his head, also ...ed him with a coat of male.

39 And Dauid girded his sword vpon his armour, ...d he assayed to goe, for he had not proued *it*: and ...d said vnto Saul, I cannot go with these: for I ...ue not proued *them*. And Dauid put them off him.

40 And he tooke his staffe in his hand, and chose ...m fiue smooth stones out of the † brooke, and put ...em in a shepheards † bag which he had, euen in a ...ch: and his sling was in his hand: and hee drew ...gh to the Philistine.

41 And the Philistine came on and drew neere ...to Dauid, and the man that bare the shield, went ...fore him.

42 And when the Philistine looked about, and ...w Dauid, hee disdained him, for hee was *but a* ...y and ruddy, and of a faire countenance.

43 And the Philistines said vnto Dauid, Am I a ...g, that thou comest to me with staues? and the ...ilistine cursed Dauid by his gods.

44 And the Philistine said to Dauid, Come to me, and I will giue thy flesh vnto the foules of the aire, and to the beasts of the field.

45 Then said Dauid to the Philistine, Thou comm...est to mee with a sword, and with a speare, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the Name of the LORD of hostes, the God of the armies of Is...rael, whom thou hast defied.

46 This day will the LORD † deliuer thee in...to mine hand, and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee, & I will giue the carkeises of the hoste of the Philistines this day vnto the foules of the aire, and to the wild beasts of the earth: that all the earth may know, that there is a God in Israel.

47 And all this assembly shall know, that the LORD saueth not with the sword and speare (for the battell is the LORDS) and hee will giue you into our hands.

48 And it came to passe when the Philistine a...rose, and came, and drew nigh to meet Dauid, that Dauid hasted, and ranne toward the army to meet the Philistine.

49 And Dauid put his hand in his bag, and tooke thence a stone and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunke into his fore...head, and he fell vpon his face to the earth.

50 So *Dauid preuailed ouer the Philistine with a sling, and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him, but there was no sword in the hand of Dauid.

51 Therefore Dauid ran and stood vpon the Phi...listine, and tooke his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.

52 And the men of Israel and of Iudah arose, and shouted, & pursued the Philistines, vntil thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron: and the wounded of the Philistines fell downe by the way to Sharaim, euen vnto Gath, and vnto Ekron.

53 And the children of Israel returned from cha...sing after the Philistines, & they spoiled their tents.

54 And Dauid tooke the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Ierusalem, but he put his armour in his tent.

55 ¶ And when Saul saw Dauid goe forth against the Philistine, hee said vnto Abner the captaine of the host: Abner, whose son is this youth? And Abner said, *As* thy soule liueth, O King, I cannot tell.

56 And the King said, Enquire thou whose sonne the stripling is.

57 And as Dauid returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner tooke him and brought him before Saul, with the head of the Philistine in his hand.

58 And Saul said to him, Whose sonne art thou, *thou* yong man? And Dauid answered, I am the son of thy seruant Iesse the Bethlehemite.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Ionathan loueth Dauid. 5 Saul enuieth his praise: 10 Seeketh to kill him in his fury, 12 Feareth him for his good successe: 17 Offereth him his daughter for a snare. 22 Dauid perswaded to be the kings sonne in law, giueth two hundred foreskins of the Philistines for Michals dowry. 28 Sauls hatred and Dauids glory increaseth.

AND it came to passe when hee made an end of speaking vnto Saul, that the soule of Ionathan was knit with the soule of Dauid, and Ionathan loued him as his owne soule.

2 And Saul tooke him that day, and would let him goe no more home to his fathers house.

3 Then Ionathan and Dauid made a Couenant,

† Heb. shut thee vp.

because hee loued him as his owne soule.

4 And Ionathan spake of him vnto Saul his father, and said vnto him, Let not the King sinne against his seruant, against Dauid, because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his workes haue been to thee ward very good.

5 For he did put his life in his hand, and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great saluation for all Israel: thou sawest it, and didst reioyce: wherefore then wilt thou sinne against innocent blood, to slay Dauid without a cause?

6 And Saul hearkened vnto the voice of Ionathan: and Saul sware, As the LORD liueth he shall not be slaine.

7 And Ionathan called Dauid, & Ionathan shewed him all those things, & Ionathan brought Dauid to Saul, and he was in his presence as in times past.

8 ¶ And there was warre againe, and Dauid went out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter, and they fled from him.

9 And the euill spirit from the LORD was vpon Saul as he sate in his house with his iauelin in his hand: and Dauid played with his hand.

10 And Saul sought to smite Dauid euen to the wall with the iauelin, but he slipt away out of Sauls presence, and he smote the iauelin into the wall: and Dauid fled and escaped that night.

11 Saul also sent messengers vnto Dauids house to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal Dauids wife told him, saying, If thou saue not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slaine.

12 ¶ So Michal let Dauid downe throw a window: and he went and fled, and escaped.

13 And

4 And Ionathan stript himselfe of the robe that *was* vpon him, and gaue it to Dauid, and his garments, euen to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

5 ¶ And Dauid went out whithersoeuer Saul sent him, and ‖behaued himselfe wisely: and Saul set him ouer the men of warre, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Sauls seruants.

‖Or, prospered.

6 And it came to passe, as they came, when Dauid was returned from the slaughter of the ‖Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing, and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tabrets, with ioy, & with †instruments of musicke.

‖Or, Philistines.

† Hebr. three-stringed instruments.

7 And the women answered one another as they played, and said, *Saul hath slaine his thousands, and Dauid his ten thousands.

*Chap. 21.11. & 29.5. ecclus. 47.6.

8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying † displeased him, and he said, They haue ascribed vnto Dauid tenne thousands, and to mee they haue ascribed *but* thousands, and *what* can hee haue more, but the kingdome?

† Hebr. it was euill in his eyes.

9 And Saul eyed Dauid from that day, and forward.

10 ¶ And it came to passe on the morrow, that the euill spirit from God came vpon Saul, and hee prophesied in the midst of the house: and Dauid played with his hand, as at other times: and *there was* a iauelin in Sauls hand.

11 And Saul cast the iauelin, for he said, I will smite Dauid euen to the wall with it: and Dauid auoided out of his presence twice.

12 ¶ And Saul *was* afraid of Dauid, because the LORD was with him, & was departed from Saul.

13 Therefore Saul remooued him from him, and made him his captaine ouer a thousand, and hee went out and came in before the people.

14 And Dauid ‖behaued himselfe wisely in all his waies, and the LORD *was* with him.

‖Or, prospered.

15 Wherefore when Saul saw that hee behaued himselfe very wisely, he was afraid of him.

16 But all Israel and Iudah loued Dauid, because he went out and came in before them.

17 ¶ And Saul said to Dauid, Behold, my eldest daughter Merab, her will I giue thee to wife: only be thou †valiant for me, and fight the LORDS battels: for Saul said, Let not mine hand be vpon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be vpon him.

† Hebr. a sonne of valour.

18 And Dauid said vnto Saul, Who *am* I? and what *is* my life *or* my fathers family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the King?

19 But it came to passe at the time when Merab Sauls daughter should haue been giuen to Dauid, that she was giuen to Adriel ‖Meholathite to wife.

20 And Michal Sauls daughter loued Dauid: and they told Saul, and the thing †pleased him.

† Hebr. was right in his eyes.

21 And Saul said, I will giue him her, that shee may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to Dauid, Thou shalt this day be my sonne in law, *in the one of the twaine.*

22 ¶ And Saul commanded his seruants, *saying*, Commune with Dauid secretly, and say, Behold, the King hath delight in thee, and all his seruants loue thee: now therefore be the Kings son in law.

23 And Sauls seruants spake those words in the eares of Dauid: And Dauid said, Seemeth it to you a light thing to be a Kings son in law, seeing that I am a poore man and lightly esteemed?

† Hebr. according to these words.

24 And the seruants of Saul told him, saying, † On this manner spake Dauid.

25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to Dauid, The King desireth not any dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be auenged of the Kings enemies. But Saul thought to make Dauid fall by the hand of the Philistines.

26 And when his seruants told Dauid these words, it pleased Dauid well to be the King his son in law, and the dayes were not ‖expired.

‖Or, fulfilled.

27 Wherefore Dauid arose, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men, & Dauid brought them foreskins, and they gaue them in full tale to the King that he might be the Kings son in law. And Saul gaue him Michal his daughter to wife.

28 ¶ And Saul saw & knew, that the LORD was with Dauid, and that Michal Sauls daughter loued him.

29 And Saul was yet the more afraid of Dauid, and Saul became Dauids enemy continually.

30 Then the Princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to passe after they went forth, that Dauid behaued himselfe more wisely than all the seruants of Saul, so that his name was much set by.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *Ionathan discloseth his fatherlesse purpose to Dauid.* 4 *He perswadeth his father to reconciliation.* 8 *By reason of Dauids good successe in warre Sauls malicious rage breaketh out against him.* 12 *Michal deceiueth her father with excuse for Dauids best.* 18 *Dauid commeth to Samuel in Naioth.* 20 *Sauls messengers sent to take Dauid.* 22 *and Saul himselfe prophesie.*

AND Saul spake to Ionathan his son, and to all his seruants, that they should kill Dauid.

2 But Ionathan Sauls son delighted much in Dauid, and Ionathan told Dauid, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: Now therefore I pray thee, take heed to thy selfe vntil the morning, and abide in a secret place, and hide thy selfe:

3 And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou art, and I will commune with my father of thee, & what I see, that I will tell thee.

4 ¶ And Ionathan spake good of Dauid to Saul his father, and said vnto him, Let not the King sin against his seruant, against Dauid, because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his workes haue been to thee ward very good.

5 For he did put his life in his hand, & slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great saluation for all Israel: thou sawest it, and didst reioyce: wherefore then wilt thou sinne against innocent blood, to slay Dauid without a cause?

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12 ¶ So Michal let Dauid downe throw a window: and he went and fled, and escaped.

13 And

hefieth.

And Michal tookan image, and laid it in the ed, and put a pillow of goats haire for his bolster ered it with a cloth.

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And Saul sent messengers to take Dauid: and they saw the company of the Prophets pro- ying, and Samuel standing as appointed ouer , the Spirit of God was vpon the messengers l, and they also prophesied.

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en said Ionathan vnto Dauid, ‖ Whatsoeuer e † desireth, I will doe *it* for thee.

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8 Therefore thou shalt deale kindly with thy ser- vant, for * thou hast brought thy seruant into a Couenant of the LORD with thee: notwithstan- ding, if there be in me iniquity, slay me thy selfe: for why should'st thou bring me to thy father?

9 And Ionathan said, Farre be it from thee: for if I knew certainely that euill were determi- ned by my father to come vpon thee, then would not I tell it thee?

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12 And Ionathan said vnto Dauid, O LORD God of Israel, when I haue † sounded my father, about to morrow any time, *or* the third day, and behold, if *there be* good toward Dauid, and I then send not vnto thee, and † shew it thee;

13 The LORD do so, and much more to Ionathan: but if it please my father to doe thee euill then I will shew it thee, and send thee away, that thou mayest goe in peace, and the LORD be with thee, as he hath beene with my father.

14 And thou shalt not onely, while yet I liue, shew me the kindnes of the LORD, that I die not:

15 But *also* thou shalt not cut off thy kindnesse from my house for euer: no not when the LORD hath cut off the enemies of Dauid, euery one from the face of the earth.

16 So Ionathan † made *a couenant* with the house of Dauid, *saying*, Let the LORD euen require *it* at the hand of Dauids enemies.

17 And Ionathan caused Dauid to sweare again, ‖ because he loued him: for he loued him as he lo- ued his owne soule.

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19 And when thou hast stayed three dayes, then thou shalt goe downe ‖ quickly, & come to ‖ place where thou didst hide thy selfe, † when the busines was in hand, and shalt remaine by the stone ‖ Ezel.

20 And I will shoot three arrowes on the side *thereof*, as though I shot at a marke.

21 And behold, I will send a lad, *saying*, Goe fiade out the arrowes. If I expresselly say vnto the lad, Behold, the arrowes *are* on this side of thee, take them: then come thou, for there is peace to thee, and † no hurt, *as* the LORD liueth.

22 But if I say thus vnto the yong man, Behold, the arrowes *are* beyond thee: goe thy way, for the LORD hath sent thee away.

23 And as touching the matter which thou and I haue spoken of, Behold, the LORD *be* between thee and me for euer.

24 ¶ So Dauid hid himselfe in the field: and when the new Moone was come, the King sate him downe to eat meat.

25 And the King sate vpon his seat, as at other times, *euen* vpon a seat by the wall: and Ionathan arose, and Abner sate by Sauls side, and Dauids place was empty.

26 Neuertheless, Saul spake not any thing that day: for he thought, Something hath befallen him, he is not cleane: surely he is not cleane.

27 And it came to passe on the morrow, *which* was the second day of the moneth, that Dauids place was empty: and Saul said vnto Ionathan his

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because hee loued him as his owne soule.

4 And Ionathan stript himselfe of the robe that *was* vpon him, and gaue it to Dauid, and his garments, euen to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

5 ¶ And Dauid went out whithersoeuer Saul sent him, and ‖behaued himselfe wisely; and Saul set him ouer the men of warre, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Sauls seruants.

‖Or prospered.

9 And it came to passe, as they came, when Dauid was returned from the slaughter of the ‖Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing, and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tabrets, with ioy, & with †instruments of musicke.

‖Or, Philistines.

† Hebr. three-stringed instruments.

7 And the women answered one another as they played, and said, *Saul hath slaine his thousands, and Dauid his ten thousands.

*Chap. 21.11. & 29.5. eccles. 47.6.

8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying †displeased him, and he said, They haue ascribed vnto Dauid ten thousands, and to mee they haue ascribed *but* thousands, and *what* can hee haue more, but the kingdome?

† Hebr. it was euill in his eyes.

9 And Saul eyed Dauid from that day, and forward

10 ¶ And it came to passe on the morrow, that the euill spirit from God came vpon Saul, and hee prophesied in the midst of the house: and Dauid played with his hand, as at other times: and *there* was a iauelin in Sauls hand.

11 And Saul cast the iauelin; for hee said, I will smite Dauid euen to the wall with it: and Dauid auoided out of his presence twice.

12 ¶ And Saul was afraid of Dauid, because the LORD was with him, & was departed from Saul.

13 Therefore Saul remooued him from him, and made him his captaine ouer a thousand, and hee went out and came in before the people.

14 And Dauid ‖behaued himselfe wisely in all his waies, and the LORD *was* with him.

‖Or, prospered.

15 Wherefore when Saul saw that hee behaued himselfe very wisely, he was afraid of him.

16 But all Israel and Iudah loued Dauid, because he went out and came in before them.

17 ¶ And Saul said to Dauid, Behold, my elder daughter Merab, her will I giue thee to wife: only be thou †valiant for me, and fight the LORDS battels: for Saul said, Let not mine hand be vpon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be vpon him.

† Hebr. a sonne of valour.

18 And Dauid said vnto Saul, Who am I? and what is my life or my fathers family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the King?

19 But it came to passe at the time when Merab Sauls daughter should haue been giuen to Dauid, that she was giuen to Adriel ‖ Meholathite to wife.

‖ Or, Abelmeholathite.

20 And Michal Sauls daughter loued Dauid: and they told Saul, and the thing †pleased him.

† Hebr. was right in his eyes.

21 And Saul said, I will giue him her, that shee may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to Dauid, Thou shalt this day be my sonne in law, in *the one of* the twaine.

22 ¶ And Saul commanded his seruants, *saying*, Commune with Dauid secretly, and say, Behold, the King hath delight in thee, and all his seruants loue thee: now therefore be the Kings son in law.

23 And Sauls seruants spake those words in the eares of Dauid: And Dauid said, Seemeth it to you a light thing to be a Kings son in law, seeing that I am a poore man and lightly esteemed?

† Hebr. according to these words.

24 And the seruants of Saul told him, saying, †On this manner spake Dauid.

25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to Dauid, The King desireth not any dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be auenged of the Kings enemies. But Saul thought to make Dauid fall by the hand of the Philistines.

26 And when his seruants told Dauid these words, it pleased Dauid well to be the Kings sonne in law, and the dayes were not ‖ expired.

‖ Or, fulfilled.

27 Wherefore Dauid arose, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men, & Dauid brought them their foreskins, and they gaue them in full tale to the king that he might be the kings sonne in law. And Saul gaue him Michal his daughter to wife.

28 ¶ And Saul saw & knew, that the LORD was with Dauid, and that Michal Sauls daughter loued him.

29 And Saul was yet the more afraid of Dauid, and Saul became Dauids enemy continually.

30 Then the Princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to passe after they went forth, that Dauid behaued himselfe more wisely than all the seruants of Saul, so that his name was † much set by.

† Hebr. much precious.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *Ionathan discloseth his fathers purpose vnto Dauid.* 4 *He perswadeth his father to reconciliation.* 8 *By reason of Dauids good successe in warre Sauls malicious rage breaketh out against him.* 12 *Michal deceiueth her father with excuse for Dauids bed.* 18 *Dauid commeth to Samuel in Naioth.* 20 *Sauls messengers sent to take Dauid.* 22 *and Saul himselfe prophesieth.*

AND Saul spake to Ionathan his son, and to all his seruants, that they should kill Dauid.

2 But Ionathan Sauls son delighted much in Dauid, and Ionathan told Dauid, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: Now therefore I pray thee, take heed to thy selfe vntil the morning, and abide in a secret place, and hide thy selfe:

3 And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field, where thou art, and I will commune with my father of thee, & what I see, that I will tell thee.

4 ¶ And Ionathan spake good of Dauid to Saul his father, and said vnto him, Let not the King sin against his seruant, against Dauid, because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his workes haue *been* to thee ward very good.

5 For he did put his life in his hand, & slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great saluation for all Israel: thou sawest it, and didst reioyce. Wherefore then wilt thou sin against innocent blood, to slay Dauid without a cause?

6 And Saul hearkened vnto the voice of Ionathan, and Saul sware, As the LORD liueth he shall not be slaine.

7 And Ionathan called Dauid, & Ionathan shewed him all those things, & Ionathan brought Dauid to Saul, and he was in his presence as † in times past.

† Hebr. yesterday, third day.

8 ¶ And there was war againe, and Dauid went out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter, and they fled from him.

9 And the euill spirit from the LORD was vpon Saul as he sate in his house with his iauelin in his hand: and Dauid played with *his* hand.

10 And Saul sought to smite Dauid euen to the wall with the iauelin, but he slipt away out of Sauls presence, & he smote the iauelin into the wall: and Dauid fled and escaped that night.

11 Saul also sent messengers vnto Dauids house to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal Dauids wife told him, saying, If thou saue not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slaine.

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24 ¶ So Dauid hid himselfe in the field: and when the new Moone was come, the King sate him downe to eat meat.
25 And the King sate vpon his seat, as at other times, euen vpon a seat by the wall: and Ionathan arose, and Abner sate by Sauls side, and Dauids place was empty.
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28 And Ionathan anſwered Saul, Dauid earneſtly aſked *leaue* of me, *to go* to Bethlehem.

29 And he ſaid, Let me go, I pray thee, for our family hath a ſacrifice in the city, and my brother he hath commanded me *to be there*: and now if I haue found fauour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and ſee my brethren: Therefore he commeth not vnto the Kings table.

30 Then Sauls anger was kindled againſt Ionathan, & he ſaid vnto him, ‖Thou ſon of the peruerſe rebellious *woman*, doe not I know that thou haſt choſen the ſon of Ieſſe to thine owne confuſion, and to the confuſion of thy mothers nakednes?

‖*Or, then perueꝛſe rebell: Heb. ſon of perueꝛſe rebellion.*

31 For as long as the ſon of Ieſſe liueth vpon the ground thou ſhalt not be eſtabliſhed, nor thy kingdome: wherefore now ſend and fetch him vnto me, for he † ſhall ſurely die.

† *Heb. is the ſon of death.*

32 And Ionathan anſwered Saul his father, and ſaid vnto him, Wherefore ſhall he be ſlaine? what hath he done?

33 And Saul caſt a iauelin at him to ſmite him, whereby Ionathan knew that it was determined of his father to ſlay Dauid.

34 So Ionathan aroſe from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no meat the ſecond day of the moneth: for he was grieued for Dauid, becauſe his father had done him ſhame.

35 ¶ And it came to paſſe in the morning that Ionathan went out into the field, at the time appointed with Dauid, and a little lad with him.

36 And he ſaid vnto his lad, Run, finde out now the arrowes which I ſhoot. And as the lad ran, he ſhot an arrow † beyond him.

† *Heb. to paſſe ouer him.*

37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which Ionathan had ſhot, Ionathan cried after the lad, & ſaid, Is not the arrow beyond thee?

38 And Ionathan cried after the lad, Make ſpeed, haſte, ſtay not. And Ionathans lad gathered vp the arrowes, and came to his maſter.

39 But the lad knew not any thing: only Ionathan and Dauid knew the matter.

† *Heb. in ſtruttes.*

40 And Ionathan gaue his † artillery vnto † his lad, and ſaid vnto him, Goe, carry *them* to the city.

† *Hebr. that was his.*

41 ¶ And aſſoone as the lad was gone, Dauid aroſe out of *a place* toward the South, and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed himſelfe three times: and they kiſſed one another and wept one with another, vntill Dauid exceeded.

42 And Ionathan ſaid to Dauid, Goe in peace, foraſmuch as we haue ſworne both of vs in the Name of the LORD, ſaying, The LORD be betweene me and thee, and betweene my ſeed and thy ſeed for euer. And he aroſe and departed: and Ionathan went into the city.

‖*Or, The* LORD *be witneſſe of that which, &c.*

CHAP. XXI.

1 Dauid at Nob obtaineth of Ahimelech hallowed bread. 7 Doeg was preſent. 8 Dauid taketh Goliahs ſword. 10 Dauid at Gath faineth himſelfe mad.

THen came Dauid to Nob to Ahimelech the Prieſt, and Ahimelech was afraid at the meeting of Dauid, and ſaid vnto him, Why *art* thou alone, and no man with thee?

2 And Dauid ſaid vnto Ahimelech the Prieſt, The King hath commanded me a buſineſſe, and hath ſaid vnto me, Let no man know any thing of the buſines wherabout I ſend thee, and what I haue commanded thee: and I haue appointed *my* ſeruants to ſuch and ſuch a place.

3 Now therefore what is vnder thine hand? giue me fiue loaues of bread in mine hand, or what there is † preſent.

† *Heb. found.*

4 And the Prieſt anſwered Dauid, and ſaid, There is no common bread vnder mine hand, but there is * hallowed bread: if the yong men haue kept themſelues at leaſt from women.

* *Or, ſanctified.*

5 And Dauid anſwered the Prieſt, and ſaid vnto him, Of a trueth women haue bin kept from vs about theſe three dayes ſince I came out, and the veſſels of the yong men are † holy, and *the bread* is in a manner common, ‖ yea though it were ſanctified this day in the veſſell.

† *Or, vnleauened.*

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6 So the Prieſt gaue him hallowed bread: for there was no bread there, but the Shewbread that was taken from before the LORD, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away.

7 Now a certaine man of the ſeruants of Saul was there that day, detained before the LORD, and his name *was* Doeg, an Edomite, the chiefe of the heardmen that *belonged to* Saul.

8 ¶ And Dauid ſaid vnto Ahimelech, And is there not here vnder thine hand ſpeare or ſword? for I haue neither brought my ſword, nor my weapons with me, becauſe the kings buſines required haſte.

9 And the Prieſt ſaid, The ſword of Goliah the Philiſtine, whom thou ſleweſt in the valley of Elah, behold, it is here wrapt in a cloth behinde Ephod: if thou wilt take that, take it: for there is no other ſaue that here. And Dauid ſaid, There is none like that, giue it me.

10 ¶ And Dauid aroſe, and fled that day for feare of Saul, and went to Achiſh the king of Gath.

11 And the ſeruants of Achiſh ſaid vnto him, Is not this Dauid the king of the land? Did they not ſing one to another of him in dances, ſaying, Saul hath ſlain his thouſands, & Dauid his tens of thouſands?

12 And Dauid laid vp theſe words in his heart, and was ſore afraid of Achiſh the king of Gath.

13 And he changed his behauiour before them, and fained himſelfe mad in their hands, and ſcribbled on the doores of the gate, and let his ſpittle fall downe vpon his beard.

14 Then ſaid Achiſh vnto his ſeruants, Lo, ye ſee the man ‖ is mad: wherefore then haue ye brought him to me? Acts. 26. 24.

‖ *Or, doteth.*

15 Haue I need of mad men, that ye haue brought this fellow to play the mad man in my preſence? Shall this *fellow* come into my houſe?

CHAP. XXII.

1 Companies reſort vnto Dauid at Adullam. 3 He commendeth his parents vnto the King of Moab. 5 Admoniſhed by Gad he went to Hareth. 6 Saul going to puniſh them crieth out of his ſeruants vnfaithfulneſſe. 9 Doeg accuſeth Ahimelech. 11 Saul commandeth to ſlay him. 17 The footmen refuſing, Doeg executeth it. Abiathar eſcaping, bringeth Dauid the newes.

DAuid therefore departed thence, and eſcaped to the caue Adullam: and when his brethren, and all his fathers houſe heard *it*, they went downe thither to him.

2 And euery one *that was* in diſtreſſe, and euery one that † *was* in debt, and euery one that was † diſcontented, gathered them ſelues vnto him, and he became a captaine ouer them: And there were with him about fower hundred men.

† *Heb. was.*

3 ¶ And Dauid went thence to Mizpeh of Moab, and he ſaid vnto the king of Moab, Let my father and my mother, I pray thee, come forth, and be with you, till I know what God will doe for me.

4 And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while that Dauid was in the hold.

and the Prophet Gad ſaid vnto Dauid, A-
de in the hold; depart, and get thee into the
land of Iudah. Then Dauid departed, and came in-
to the forreſt of Hareth.

6 When Saul heard that Dauid was diſcouered, and the men that *were* with him: (now Saul
remained in Gibeah vnder a ‖ tree in Ramah, hauing
his ſpeare in his hand, and all his ſeruants were
ſtanding about him.)

7 Then Saul ſaid vnto his ſeruants that ſtood a-
bout him, Heare now, ye Beniamites: Will the ſon
of Iſai giue euery one of you fields and vineyards,
and make you all captaines of thouſands, and cap-
taines of hundreds:

8 That all of you haue conſpired againſt me,
and there is none that † ſheweth me that my ſonne
hath made a league with the ſonne of Iſſe, and there
is none of you that is ſorry for me, or ſheweth vn-
to me that my ſonne hath ſtirred vp my ſeruant a-
gainſt me to lie in wait, as at this day?

9 Then answered Doeg the Edomite (which
was ſet ouer the ſeruants of Saul) and ſaid, I ſaw
the ſonne of Iſſe comming to Nob to Ahimelech the
ſonne of Ahitub.

10 And he enquired of the LORD for him, and
gaue him victuals, and gaue him the ſword of Go-
liah the Philiſtine.

11 Then the King ſent to call Ahimelech the
prieſt the ſonne of Ahitub, and all his fathers houſe,
the prieſts that *were* in Nob: and they came all of
them to the King.

12 And Saul ſaid, Heare now, thou ſonne of Ahitub:
And he answered † Here I am, my lord.

13 And Saul ſaid vnto him, Why haue ye con-
ſpired againſt me, thou and the ſonne of Iſſe, in that
thou haſt giuen him bread and a ſword, and haſt
enquired of God for him, that he ſhould riſe a-
gainſt me to lie in wait, as at this day?

14 Then Ahimelech answered the King, and ſaid,
And who is ſo faithfull among all thy ſeruants, as
Dauid which is the Kings ſon in law, and goeth at
thy bidding, and is honourable in thine houſe?

15 Did I then begin to enquire of God for him?
Be it farre from me: Let not the King impute any
thing vnto his ſeruant, *nor* to all the houſe of my
father: for thy ſeruant knew nothing of all this,
leſſe or more.

16 And the King ſaid, Thou ſhalt ſurely die A-
himelech, thou and all thy fathers houſe.

17 And the King ſaid vnto the ‖ footmen that
ſtood about him, Turne and ſlay the Prieſts of the
Lord, becauſe their hand alſo *is* with Dauid, and
becauſe they knew when he fled, and did not ſhew
it me. But the ſeruants of the King would not
put their hand to fall vpon the Prieſts of the
Lord.

18 And the King ſaid vnto Doeg, Turne thou
and fall vpon the Prieſts. And Doeg the Edomite
turned, and he fell vpon the Prieſts, and ſlew on
that day fourſcore and fiue perſons that did weare
a linen Ephod.

19 And Nob the city of the Prieſts ſmote he
with the edge of the ſword, both men and women,
children and ſucklings, and oxen, and aſſes, and
ſheepe with the edge of the ſword.

20 And one of the ſons of Ahimelech, the ſon
of Ahitub named Abiathar, eſcaped and fled after
Dauid:

21 And Abiathar ſhewed Dauid that Saul had
ſlaine the LORDS Prieſts.

22 And Dauid ſaid vnto Abiathar, I knew *it* that
day when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he
would ſurely tell Saul: I haue occaſioned *the death*
of all the perſons of thy fathers houſe.

23 Abide thou with me, feare not: for he that
ſeeketh my life, ſeeketh thy life: but with me thou
ſhalt be in ſafe garde.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Dauid enquiring of the Lord by Abiathar, reſcueth Keilah. 7 God ſhewing him the comming of Saul, and the treachery of the Keilites, he eſcapeth from Keilah. 14 In Ziph Ionathan commeth and comforteth him. 19 The Ziphites diſcouer him to Saul. 25 At Maon he is reſcued from Saul by the inuaſion of the Philiſtims. 29 He dwelleth at Engedi

1 THen they told Dauid, ſaying, Behold, the Philiſtines fight againſt Keilah, and they rob the threſhing floores.

2 Therefore Dauid enquired of the LORD, ſaying, Shall I goe and ſmite theſe Philiſtines? And the LORD ſaid vnto Dauid, Goe and ſmite the Philiſtines, and ſaue Keilah.

3 And Dauids men ſaid vnto him, Behold, we be afraid here in Iudah: how much more then, if we come to Keilah againſt † armies of the Philiſtines?

4 Then Dauid enquired of the LORD yet againe: And the LORD answered him, and ſaid, Ariſe, goe downe to Keilah: for I will deliuer the Philiſtines into thine hand.

5 So Dauid and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philiſtines, and brought away their cattell, and ſmote them with a great ſlaughter: ſo Dauid ſaued the inhabitants of Keilah.

6 And it came to paſſe when Abiathar the ſonne of Ahimelech * fled to Dauid to Keilah, *that* he came downe *with* an Ephod in his hand. * Chap. 22. 20.

7 ¶ And it was told Saul that Dauid was come to Keilah: and Saul ſaid, God hath deliuered him into mine hand: for he is ſhut in, by entring in to a towne that hath gates and barres.

8 And Saul called all the people together to warre, to goe downe to Keilah, to beſiege Dauid and his men.

9 ¶ And Dauid knew that Saul ſecretly practiſed miſchiefe againſt him, and he ſaid to Abiathar the Prieſt, Bring hither the Ephod.

10 Then ſaid Dauid, O LORD God of Iſrael, *thy* ſeruant hath certainely heard that Saul ſeeketh to come to Keilah, to deſtroy the city for my ſake.

11 Will the men of Keilah deliuer me vp into his hand? Will Saul come downe, as thy ſeruant hath heard, O LORD God of Iſrael? I beſeech thee tell thy ſeruant. And the LORD ſaid, He will come downe.

12 Then ſaid Dauid, Will the men of Keilah † deliuer me and my men into the hand of Saul? and the LORD ſaid, They will deliuer thee vp. † Heb. ſhut vp.

13 ¶ Then Dauid and his men, *who* were about ſixe hundred, aroſe, and departed out of Keilah, and went whither ſoeuer they could goe: and it was told Saul that Dauid was eſcaped from Keilah, and he forbare to goe forth.

14 And Dauid abode in the wildernes in ſtrong holds, and remained in a mountaine in the wildernes of Ziph: and Saul ſought him euery day, but God deliuered him not into his hand.

15 And Dauid ſaw that Saul was come out to ſeeke his life: and Dauid was in the wildernes of Ziph in a wood.

16 ¶ And Ionathan Sauls ſonne aroſe, and went to Dauid into the wood, and ſtrengthened his hand in God.

17 And he ſaid vnto him, Feare not: for the hand of Saul my father ſhall not find thee, and thou ſhalt be

be King ouer Israel, and I shall be next vnto thee: and that also Saul my father knoweth.

18 And they two made a couenant before the LORD: and Dauid abode in the wood, and Ionathan went to his house.

19 ¶ Then came vp the Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not Dauid hide himselfe with vs in strong holds in the wood, in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* † on the South of Ieshimon?

20 Now therefore, O King, Come down according to all the desire of thy soule to come downe, & our part shall be to deliuer him into the Kings hand.

21 And Saul said, Blessed *be* ye of the LORD, for ye haue compassion on me.

22 Goe, I pray you, prepare yet, and know, and see his place where his † haunt is, and who hath seene him there? for it is told me that he dealeth very subtilly.

23 See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking places where he hideth himselfe, and come ye againe to me with the certainety, and I will goe with you: and it shall come to passe, if he be in the land that I will search him out thorowout all the thousands of Iudah.

24 And they arose, & went to Ziph, before Saul: but Dauid and his men *were* in the wilderneſſe of Maon, in the plaine on the South of Ieshimon.

25 Saul also and his men went to seeke *him*, and they told Dauid: wherefore he came downe into a rocke, and abode in the wilderneſſe of Maon: and when Saul heard that, he pursued after Dauid in the wilderneſſe of Maon.

26 And Saul went on this side of the mountaine, and Dauid and his men on that side of the mountaine: and Dauid made haste to get away for feare of Saul: for Saul and his men compassed Dauid and his men round about to take them.

27 ¶ But there came a messenger vnto Saul, saying, Haste thee, and come: for the Philistines haue † inuaded the land.

28 Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing after Dauid, and went against the Philistines: therefore they called that place Selah-Hammah-lekoth.

29 ¶ And Dauid went vp from thence, and dwelt in the strong holds at En-gedi.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Dauid in a caue at En gedi, hauing cut off Sauls skirt spareth his life. 8 He sheweth thereby his innocency. 16 Saul acknowledging his fault, taketh an oath of Dauid, and departeth.

AND it came to passe, when Saul was returned, † from following ‖ the Philistims, *that* it was told him, saying, Behold, Dauid is in the wilderneſſe of En-gedi.

2 Then Saul tooke three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seeke Dauid and his men vpon the rockes of the wilde goats.

3 And he came to the sheep-coats by the way where *was* a caue, and Saul went in to couer his feet, and Dauid & his men remained in the sides of the caue.

4 And the men of Dauid said vnto him, Behold, the day of which the LORD said vnto thee, Behold, I will deliuer thine enemie into thine hand, that thou mayest doe to him, as it shall seeme good vnto thee. Then Dauid arose, and cut off the skirt of † Sauls robe priuily.

5 And it came to passe afterwards that Dauids heart smote him, because he had cut off Sauls skirt.

6 And he said vnto his men, The LORD forbid that I should doe this thing vnto my master the LORDS anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him, seeing he *is* the anointed of the LORD.

7 So Dauid † stayed his seruants with these words, & suffred them not to rise against Saul. Saul rose vp out of the caue, and went on his

8 Dauid also arose afterward, & went out of caue, & cried after Saul, saying, My lord the And when Saul looked behind him, Dauid with his face to the earth, and bowed himself

9 ¶ And Dauid said to Saul, Wherefore thou mens words, saying, Behold, Dauid seeketh thy hurt?

10 Behold, this day thine eyes haue seene how ‖ LORD hath deliuered thee to day into mine in the caue, & some bade *me* kill thee, but mine spared thee, & I said, I will not put forth mine against my lord, for he *is* the LORDS anoint

11 Moreouer, my father, See, yea see the thy robe in mine hand: for in that I cut off the of thy robe, and killed thee not, know thou that there is neither euil nor transgression in hand, and I haue not sinned against thee, yet hunteſt my soule to take it.

12 The LORD iudge betweene me and the LORD auenge thee of me: but mine not be vpon thee.

13 As saith the prouerbe of the ancients, kednesse proceedeth from the wicked, but hand shall not be vpon thee.

14 After whom is the King of Israel come after whom doeſt thou pursue? After a dead after a flea.

15 The LORD therefore be iudge, and iudge twixt me, and thee, and see, and plead my and † deliuer me out of thine hand.

16 ¶ And it came to passe when Dauid had an end of speaking these words vnto Saul, Saul said, Is this thy voice my son Dauid? And lift vp his voyce, and wept.

17 And he said to Dauid, Thou art more ons then I: for thou hast rewarded me good, as I haue rewarded thee euill.

18 And thou hast shewed this day how thou hast dealt well with me: for inſmuch as when LORD had † deliuered me into thine hand, killedſt me not.

19 For if a man finde his enemy, will he let got well away? wherefore the LORD reward good, for that thou hast done vnto me this day.

20 And now behold, I know well that thou surely be King, and that the kingdome of Is shall be eſtablished in thine hand.

21 Sweare now therefore vnto me by the LO that thou wilt not cut off my seed after me, that thou wilt not destroy my name out of my thers house.

22 And Dauid sware vnto Saul, and Saul went home: but Dauid and his men gate them vp the hold.

CHAP. XXV.

1 Samuel dieth. 2 Dauid in Paran sendeth to Nabal. 10 Prouoked by Nabals churliſh answer he threatneth to destroy him. 14 Abigail warneth thereof, 18 taketh aprecent, 23 and by her wiſe 32 pacifieth Dauid. 36 Nabal hearing thereof 39 Dauid taketh Abigail and Ahinoam to wiues. 44 Michal is giuen to Phalti.

AND * Samuel died, and all the Israelites gathered together, and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. And Dauid rose, and went downe to the wilderneſſe of P

2 And there was a man in Maon, whose possessions were in Carmel, and the man was very and he had three thousand sheepe, and a thou goats: and he was shearing his sheepe in Ca

† Heb. on the right hand.
‖ Or, the wilderneſſe.
† Heb. foot shall be.
† Heb. spread themſelues vpon, &c.
‖ That is, the rocke of diuiſions.
† Heb. after.
† Heb. the robe which was Sauls
† Heb. cut off.

he name of the man was Nabal, and the is wife Abigail: and she was a woman of e-standing, and of a beautifull counte-e: the man was churlish, and euill in his d he was of the house of Caleb.

d Dauid heard in the wildernesse, that d sheare his sheepe.

d Dauid sent out tenne young men, and d vnto the young men, Get you vp to Car-goe to Nabal, & † greet him in my name; thus shall ye say to him that liueth *in* y, Peace *be* both to thee, and peace *be* to se, and peace *be* vnto all that thou hast.

ow I haue heard that thou hast sheepe: Shepheards which were with vs, we † hurt neither was there ought missing vnto the while they were in Carmel.

the young men and they will shew thee: let the young men find fauour in thine we come in a good day) giue, I pray thee, er commeth to thine hand, vnto thy ser-to thy sonne Dauid.

when Dauids yong men came, they spake according to all those words in the name and † ceased.

Nabal answered Dauids seruants, and n Dauid? and who *is* the sonne of Isse? many seruants now a dayes, that breake y man from his master.

I then take my bread and my water, and that I haue killed for my shearers, & giue en whom I know not whence they be?

uids yong men turned their way, & went came and told him all those sayings.

Dauid said vnto his men, Gird you on his sword. And they girded on euery man and Dauid also girded on his sword: and e vpafter Dauid about foure hundred two hundred abode by the fuffe.

one of the yonng men told Abigail Na-saying, Behold, Dauid sent messengers wilderne sse to salute our master; and he them.

the men were very good vnto vs, and we † hurt, neither missed wee any thing as wee conuersant with them, when wee the fields,

y were a wall vnto vs both by night and the whole wee were with them keeping

herefore know and consider what thou for euill is determined against our ma-gainst all his houshold: for he *is such a* Belial, that a man cannot speake to him.

en Abigail made haste, & tooke two hun-es, and two bottles of wine, & fiue sheepe ssed, and fiue measures of parched corne, ndred clusters of raisins, and two hun-s of figs, and laid *them* on asses.

she said vnto her seruants, Goe on before ld, I come after you: but she told not her bal.

it was so as she rode on the asse, that she me by the couert of the hill, and behold, d his men came downe against her, and them.

w Dauid had said, Surely in vaine haue I that this fellow hath in the wilderne sse, thing was missed of all that pertained vn-ed he hath requited me euill for good.

od more also doe God vnto the enemies Dauid leaue of all that pertaine vnto him by the morning light, any that pisseth against the wall.)

23 And when Abigail saw Dauid, shee hasted, and lighted off the asse, and fell before Dauid on her face, and bowed her selfe to the ground,

24 And fell at his feete, and said, Vpon me, my lord, *vpon* me let *this* iniquity bee, and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speake in thine † audience, and heare the wordes of thine handmaid.

25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, † regard this man of Belial, euen Nabal: for as his name is so is he: Nabal *is* his name, and folly *is* with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the yong men of my lord, whom thou didst send.

26 Now therefore my lord, as the LORD liueth, and as thy soule liueth, seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from comming to *shed* blood, and from † auenging thy selfe with thine owne hand: now let thine enemies, and they that seeke euill to my lord, be as Nabal.

27 And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought vnto my lord, let it euen be giuen vnto the young men that † follow my lord.

28 I pray thee, forgiue the trespasse of thine handmaid: for the LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house, because my lord fighteth the battels of the LORD, and euill hath not been found in thee *all* thy dayes.

29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seeke thy soule: but the soule of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God, and the soules of thine enemies, them shall he sling out, † as out of the middle of a sling.

30 And it shall come to passe when the LORD shall haue done to my lord according to all the good that he hath spoken concerning thee, and shall haue appointed thee ruler ouer Israel;

31 That this shall bee no griefe vnto thee, nor offence of heart vnto my lord, either that thou hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath auenged himselfe: But when the LORD shall haue dealt well with my lord, then remember thine handmaid.

32 ¶ And Dauid said to Abigail, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which sent thee this day to meet me

33 And blessed be thy aduise, and blessed be thou, which hast kept me this day from comming to shed blood, and from auenging my selfe with mine owne hand.

34 For in very deed, as the LORD God of Israel liueth, which hath kept me backe from hurting thee except thou hadst hasted, & come to meet me, surely there had not been left vnto Nabal, by the morning light, any that pisseth against the wall.

35 So Dauid receiued of her hand that which she had brought him, and said vnto her, Go vp in peace to thine house, see, I haue hearkened to thy voice, and haue accepted thy person.

36 ¶ And Abigail came to Nabal, and behold, he held a feast in his house like the feast of a King, and Nabals heart was merry within him, for he was very drunken: wherefore shee told him nothing, lesse or more, vntill the morning light.

37 But it came to passe in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that his heart died within him, and he became as a stone.

38 And it came to passe about ten dayes after, that the LORD smote Nabal that he died.

39 ¶ And when Dauid heard that Nabal was dead, he said, Blessed *be* the LORD that hath pleaded

† *Hebr.* eares.

† *Hebr.* lay it to his heart.

† *Hebr.* sauing thy selfe.

‖ *Or,* present.

† *Hebr.* walke at the feet of.

† *Hebr.* in the midst of the bought of a sling.

† *Hebr.* no slinging: or, slumbling.

his wicked Vnprofitable, also the Deuil.

pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and hath kept his seruant from euill: for the LORD hath returned the wickednesse of Nabal vpon his owne head. And Dauid sent and communed with Abigail to take her to him to wife.

Iobil. 8.7. Ruth. 4. 10. 11.

40 And when the seruants of Dauid were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake vnto her, saying; Dauid sent vs to thee, to take thee to him to wife.

41 And she arose and bowed her selfe on her face to the earth, and said, Behold, *let* thine handmaid *bee* a seruant to wash the feet of the seruants of my lord.

42 And Abigail hasted, and rose, and rode vpon an asse with fiue damosels of hers that went † after her: and shee went after the messengers of Dauid, and became his wife.

† Heb. at her feet. * Iosh. 15.56.

43 Dauid also tooke Ahinoam * of Iezreel, and they were also both of them his wiues.

* 2. Sam. 3.14.15.

44 ¶ But Saul had giuen * Michal his daughter, Dauids wife, to Phalti the sonne of Laish, which was of Gallim.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 Saul by the discouery of the Ziphites, pursueth to Hachilah against Dauid. 4 Dauid comming into the trench, stayeth Abishai from killing Saul, but taketh his speare and cruse. 13 Dauid reproouith Abner, 18 and exhorteth Saul. 21 Saul acknowledgeth his fault,

1 AND the Ziphites came vnto Saul to Gibeah, saying, * Doth not Dauid hide himselfe in the hill of Hachilah, *which is* before Ieshimon?

* Chap. 23.19.

2 Then Saul arose, and went downe to the wildernesse of Ziph, hauing three thousand chosen men of Israel with him, to seeke Dauid in the wildernes of Ziph.

3 And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* before Ieshimon by the way: but Dauid abode in the wildernesse, and he saw that Saul came after him into the wildernesse.

4 Dauid therefore sent out spies, and vnderstood that Saul was come in very deed.

5 ¶ And Dauid arose, & came to the place where Saul had pitched: & Dauid beheld the place where Saul lay; And * Abner the sonne of Ner the captaine of his hoste: and Saul lay in the ‖ trench, and the people pitched round about him.

* Chap. 14.50 & 17.55. ‖ Or, midst of his carriages.

6 Then answered Dauid, and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah brother to Ioab, saying, Who will goe downe with me to Saul to the campe? and Abishai said, I will goe downe with thee.

7 So Dauid and Abishai came to the people by night, & behold, Saul lay sleeping within the ‖ trench, and his speare stucke in the ground at his bolster: but Abner and the people lay round about him.

† Heb. shut vp.

8 Then said Abishai to Dauid, God hath † deliuered thine enemy into thine hand this day: now therefore let me smite him, I pray thee, with *the* speare euen to the earth at once, and I will not *smite* him the second time.

9 And Dauid said to Abishai, Destroy him not: for who can stretch foorth his hand against the LORDS Anointed, and be guiltlesse?

10 Dauid said furthermore, As the LORD liueth, the LORD shall smite him, or his day shall come to die, or he shall descend into battell and perish.

11 The LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the LORDS anointed: but I pray thee, take thou now the speare that is at his bolster, and the cruse of water, and let vs goe.

12 So Dauid tooke the speare and the cruse of water from Saules bolster, and they gat them away, and no man saw it, nor knew it, neither any for they were all asleepe, because a deep *from* the LORD was fallen vpon them.

13 ¶ Then Dauid went ouer to the other and stood on the top of an hill afarre off (a space being betweene them.)

14 And Dauid cryed to the people, and to the son of Ner, saying, Answerest thou not then Abner answered, and said, Who art thou cryest to the King?

15 And Dauid said to Abner, Art not a valiant man? and who *is* like to thee in Israel? Wherefore then hast thou not kept the king? for there came one of the people to destroy the king thy lord.

16 This thing *is* not good that thou hast done. as the LORD liueth, ye are † worthy to die, because you haue not kept your master the LORDS anointed: and now see where the Kings speare is, and the cruse of water that was at his bolster.

17 And Saul knew Dauids voice, and said, *Is* this thy voyce my sonne Dauid? And Dauid said, *It is* my voyce, my lord, O King.

18 And hee said, Wherefore doth my lord thus pursue after his seruant? for what haue I done? or what euill is in mine hand?

19 Now therefore, I pray thee, let my lord the king heare the words of his seruant: If the LORD haue stirred thee vp against me, let him accept an offering: but if they *be* the children of men, *cursed be* they before the LORD; for they haue driuen me out this day from † abiding in the inheritance of the LORD, saying, Goe serue other gods.

20 Now therefore let not my bloud fall to the earth before the face of the LORD: for the King of Israel is come out to seeke a flea, as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountaines.

21 ¶ Then said Saul, I haue sinned: Return my sonne Dauid; for I will no more doe thee harme, because my soule was precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I haue played the foole, and haue erred exceedingly.

22 And Dauid answered, and said, Behold the Kings speare, and let one of the young men come ouer and fetch it.

23 The LORD render to euery man his righteousnesse and his faithfulnesse: for the LORD deliuered thee into my hand to day, but I would not stretch forth mine hand against the LORDS Anointed.

24 And behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes: so let my life be much set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let him deliuer me out of all tribulation.

25 Then Saul said to Dauid, Blessed be thou my sonne Dauid: thou shalt both do great things, and also shalt still preuaile. So Dauid went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 Saul hearing Dauid to be in Gath, seeketh no more for him. 5 Dauid beggeth Ziklag of Achish. 8 He inuadeth other countreys perfourmeth, he foughr against Iudah.

1 AND Dauid said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul: there is nothing better for me, then † I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines: and Saul shall despaire of me, to seeke me any more in any coast of Israel: so shall I escape out of his hand.

2 And Dauid arose, and he passed ouer with the six hundred men that *were* with him, vnto Achish the sonne of Maoch king of Gath.

Dauid dwelt with Achish at Gath; he and
very man with his houshold euen Dauid
two wiues, Ahinoam the Iezreelitesse, and
the Carmelitesse, Nabals wife.
it was told Saul, that Dauid was fled to
d he sought no more againe for him.
d Dauid said to Achish, if I haue now
ace in thine eyes, let them giue me a place
towne in the countrey, that I may dwell
or why should thy seruant dwell in the
e with thee?
Achish gaue him Ziklag that day:
re Ziklag pertaineth vnto the Kings of Iu-
this day.
† the time that Dauid dwelt in the coun-
he Philistines was † a full yeere and foure

d Dauid and his men went vp, and inuа-
thurites, and the Gezrites, and the Ama-
for those *nations* were of old the inhabi-
the land, as thou goest to Shur, euen vnto
of Egypt.
Dauid smote the land, and left neither
woman alive, and tooke away the sheepe,
oxen, and the asses, and the camels, and the
, and returned and came to Achish.
Achish said, † Whither haue ye made a
day? And Dauid said, Against the South of
d against the South of the Ierahmeelites,
inst the south of the Kenites.
d Dauid saued neither man nor woman a-
ring *tidings* to Gath, saying, Lest they
ld on vs, saying, So did Dauid, and so
his maner, all the while he dwelleth in the
of the Philistines.
Achish beleeued Dauid, saying, He hath
people Israel † vtterly to abhorre him,
e shall be my seruant for euer.

CHAP. XXVIII.

Ish putteth confidence in Dauid. 3 Saul destroyed the Witches, 4 and now in his feare of God. 7 seeketh to a witch. 9 The encouraged by Saul, raiseth vp Samuel. 15 ing his ruine, fainteth. 21 The woman seruants refresh him with meat.

it came to passe in those daies, that the
lines gathered their armies together
are, to fight with Israel: And Achish said
aid, Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt
with me to battell, thou and thy men.
Dauid said to Achish, Surely thou shalt
hat thy seruant can doe. And Achish said
, Therefore will I make thee keeper of
d for euer.
now * Samuel was dead, and all Israel had
d him, and buried him in Ramah, euen in
city: and Saul had put away those that
iliar spirits, & the wizards out of the land
f the Philistines gathered themselues to-
and came and pitched in Shunem: and
thered all Israel together, and they pitched
n.
when Saul saw the hoste of the Philistines,
afraid, and his heart greatly trembled.
d when Saul enquired of the LORD, the
answered him not, neither by Dreams,
rim, nor by Prophets.
Then said Saul vnto his seruants, Seeke me
n that hath a familier spirit, that I may go
d enquire of her. And his seruant said vn-
Behold, *there is* a woman that hath a fami-
r at Endor.

8 And Saul disguised himselfe, and put on other raiment, and he went and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night, and hee said, I pray thee diuine vnto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me *him* vp whom I shall name vnto thee.

9 And the woman said vnto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how hee hath cut off those that haue familiar spirits, and the wizards out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die?

10 And Saul sware vnto her by the LORD, saying, As the LORD liueth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing.

11 Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring vp vnto thee? And he said, Bring me vp Samuel.

12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cryed with a loud voice: & the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceiued me? for thou *art* Saul

13 And the King said vnto her, be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said vnto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth.

14 And he said vnto her † What forme is he of? And she said, an old man commeth vp, and hee is couered with a mantle. And Saul perceiued that it was Samuel, and he stooped with his face to the ground, and bowed himselfe.

† *Hebr. what is his forme*

15 ¶ And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me vp? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed: for the Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither † by Prophets, nor by dreames: therefore I haue called thee, that thou mayest make known to me what I shall doe.

† *Heb. by the hand of Prophets.*

16 Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou aske of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee and is become thine enemies?

17 And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by † me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdome out of thine hand, and giuen it to thy neighbour, *euen* to Dauid:

† *Or, for himself.* * Chap. 15.28.

18 Because thou obeyedst not the voyce of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath vpon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing vnto thee this day.

† *Hebr. mine hand.*

19 Moreouer, the LORD will also deliuer Israel with thee, into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow *shalt* thou and thy sons *be* with me: the LORD also shall deliuer the hoste of Israel into the hand of the Philistines.

20 Then Saul † fell straigheway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel, and there was no strength in him for hee had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night.

† *Hebr. made haste and fell with the fulnesse of his stature.*

21 ¶ And the woman came vnto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled, and said vnto him, Behold thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I haue put my life in my hand, and haue hearkened vnto thy words which thou spakest vnto me.

22 Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also vnto the voyce of thine hand-maid, and let me set a morsell of bread before thee: and eat that thou maiest haue strength when thou goest on thy way.

23 But he refused, and said, I will not eat. But his seruants together with the woman compelled him, and he hearkened vnto their voyce: so he arose from the earth, and sate vpon the bed.

24 And the woman had a fat calfe in the house, and she hasted, and killed it, and tooke floure, and kneaded *it*, & did bake vnleauened bread thereof.

25 And she brought *it* before Saul, and before his seruants, and they did eat: then they arose vp, and went away that night.

CHAP.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 Dauid marching with the Philistins, 3 is disallowed by their princes. 6 Achish dismisseth him with commendations of his fidelity.

NOw the Philistines gathered togeth-er al their armies to Aphek: and the Israelites pitched by a fountaine which is in Iezreel.

2 And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by thousands: but Dauid and his men passed on in the rereward with Achish.

3 Then said the Princes of the Philistines, What doe these Hebrewes here? And Achish said vnto the Princes of the Philistines, Is not this Dauid the seruant of Saul the king of Israel, which hath beene with me these dayes, or these yeeres, and I haue found no fault in him since hee fell vnto me, vnto this day?

4 And the Princes of the Philistines were wroth with him, and the Princes of the Philistines said vnto him, *Make this fellow returne that he may goe againe to his place which thou hast appointed him, and let him not go down with vs to battell, lest in the battell he be an aduersary to vs: for wherewith should he reconcile himselfe vnto his master? should it not be with the heads of these men?

*1 Chro. 12.19.

5 *Is* not this Dauid of whom they sang one to another in dances, saying, *Saul slew his thousands, and Dauid his ten thousands?

*Chap. 18.7. & 21.11.

6 ¶ Then Achish called Dauid, and said vnto him, Surely as the Lord liueth, thou hast beene vpright, and thy going out, and thy comming in with me in the hoste, is good in my sight: for I haue not found euill in thee since the day of thy comming vnto me, vnto this day: neuertheless the † lords fauour thee not.

† Hebr. thou art not good in the eies of the lords.

7 Wherefore now returne, and goe in peace, that thou † displease not the lords of the Philistines.

† Heb. dost not euill in the eies of the lords.

8 ¶ And Dauid said vnto Achish, But what haue I done? and what hast thou found in thy seruant, so long as I haue beene † with thee, vnto this day, that I may not goe fight against the enemies of my lord the King?

† Hebr. before thee.

9 And Achish answered, and said to Dauid, I know that thou *art* good in my sight, as an Angel of God: notwithstanding, the Princes of the Philistines haue said, He shall not goe vp with vs to the battell.

10 Wherefore now rise vp early in the morning, with thy masters seruants that are come with thee: and as soone as ye be vp early in the morning, and haue light, depart.

11 So Dauid and his men rose vp early to depart in the morning, to returne into the land of the Philistines, and the Philistines went vp to Iezreel.

CHAP. XXX.

1 The Amalekites spoyle Ziklag. 4 Dauid asking counsell is encouraged by God to pursue them. 11 By the meanes of a reuiued Egyptian, hee is brought to the enemies, and recouereth all the spoile. 23 Dauids law to deuide the spoyle equally betweene them that fight and them that keepe the stuffe. 26 He sendeth presents vnto his friends.

AND it came to passe when Dauid and his men were come to Ziklag on the third day, that the Amalekites had inuaded the South and Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag, and burnt it with fire:

2 And had taken the women captiues that *were* therein: they slew not any either great or small, but carryed *them* away, and went on their way.

3 ¶ So Dauid and his men came to the city, and behold, it was burnt with fire, and their wiues, and their sons, and their daughters were taken captiues

4 Then Dauid and the people that were with him, lift vp their voyce and wept, vntill there was no more power to weepe.

5 And Dauids two wiues were taken captiues, Ahinoam the Iezreelitesse, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite.

6 And Dauid was greatly distressed: for the people spake of stoning him, because the soule of all the people was grieued, euery man for his sonne and for his daughters: but Dauid encouraged himselfe in the LORD his God.

7 And Dauid said to Abiathar the Priest, Abiathars sonne, I pray thee bring me hither the Ephod. And Abiathar brought thither the Ephod to Dauid.

8 And Dauid enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I pursue after this troupe? shall I ouertake them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely ouertake *them* and without faile recouer *all*.

9 So Dauid went, he and the six hundred men that *were* with him, and came to the brooke Besor, where those that were left behind stayed.

10 But Dauid pursued, he and foure hundred men: (for two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not goe ouer the brooke Besor.)

11 ¶ And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to Dauid, and gaue him bread, and he did eat, and they made him drinke water,

12 And they gaue him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of *raisins*: and when he had eaten, his spirit came againe to him: for he had eaten no bread, nor dranke any water, three dayes and three nights.

13 And Dauid said vnto him, To whom belongest thou? and whence *art* thou? And he said, I am a young man of Egypt, seruant to an Amalekite, and my master left me, because three dayes agone I fell sicke.

14 We made an inuasion vpon the South of the Cherethites, and vpon the coast which belongeth to Iudah, and vpon the South of Caleb, and we burnt Ziklag with fire.

15 And Dauid said to him, Canst thou bring me downe to this company? And he said, Sweare vnto me by God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor deliuer me into the hands of my master, and I will bring thee downe to this company.

16 ¶ And when he had brought him downe, behold they *were* spread abroad vpon all the earth, eating and drinking, and dancing, because of all the great spoile that they had taken out of the land of the Philistines, and out of the land of Iudah.

17 And Dauid smote them from the twilight vnto the euening of † the next day: and there escaped not a man of them, saue foure hundred young men which rode vpon camels and fled.

18 And Dauid recouered all that the Amalekites had carryed away: & Dauid rescued his two wiues.

19 And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great, neither sonnes nor daughters, neither spoile, nor any thing that they had taken from them: Dauid recouered all.

20 And Dauid tooke all the flocks, and the heards, *which* they drane before those *other* cattell, and said, This *is* Dauids spoile.

21 ¶ And Dauid came to the two hundred men which were so faint, that they could not follow Dauid, whom they had made also to abide at the brooke Besor, & they went forth to meet Dauid, and to meet the people that *were* with him: and when Dauid came neere to the people he saluted them.

22 Then answered all the wicked men, and men of Belial, of † those that went with Dauid, and

hey went not with vs, wee will not giue
of the ſpoile, that wee haue recouered,
ery man his wife, and his children, that
lead them away and depart.
en ſaid Dauid, Yee ſhall not doe ſo my
, with that which the LORD hath giuen
hath preſerued vs, and deliuered the com-
t came againſt vs, into our hand.
who will hearken vnto you in this mat-
as his part is that goeth downe to the
ſo ſhal his part be that tarieth by the ſtuffe
ll part alike.
d it was ſo from that day † forward, that
it a ſtatute, and an ordinance for Iſrael
day.
And when Dauid came to Ziglag, hee ſent
oile vnto the Elders of Iudah, *euen* to his
, (ſaying, Behold, a † preſent for you, of the
the enemies of the LORD.)
to them which *were* in Bethel, and to *them*
were in South Ramoth, and to *them* which
Iattir,
nd to *them* which *were* in Aroer, and to
hich *were* in Siphmoth, and to *them* which
Eſthemoa,
d to *them* which *were* in Rachal, & to *them*
were in the cities of the Ierahmeelites, and
which *were* in the cities of the Kenites,
nd to *them* which *were* in Hormah, and to
hich *were* in Chorathan, and to *them* which
Athach,
nd to *them* which *were* in Hebron, and to
places where Dauid himſelfe, and his men
ont to haunt.

CHAP. XXXI.

*Saul hauing loſt his army, and his ſons ſlaine, he
armour-bearer kill themſelues. 7 The Philiſtines
ſpoile the forſaken townes of the Iſraelites.
triumph ouer the dead carcaſes. 11 They of
Gilead recouering the bodies by night, burne
Iabeſh, and mourneſully bury their bones.*

Now the Philiſtines fought againſt Iſrael: and
men of Iſrael fled from before the Philiſtines, and fell downe † ſlaine in mount Gilboa. *Or, wounded.*

2 And the Philiſtines followed hard vpon Saul, and vpon his ſonnes, and the Philiſtines ſlew Ionathan, and Abinadab, and Malchiſhua Sauls ſonnes.

3 And the battell went ſore againſt Saul, and the † archers † hit him, and he was ſore wounded of the archers. † *Hebr. ſhooters, men with bowes.* † *Hebr. found him.*

4 Then ſaid Saul vnto his armour-bearer, Draw thy ſword, and thruſt mee thorow therewith, leſt theſe vncircumciſed come and thruſt mee through, and ‖ abuſe mee. But his armour-bearer would not, for hee was ſore afraid: therefore Saul tooke a ſword, and fell vpon it. ‖ *Or, mock me.*

5 And when his armour-bearer ſaw that Saul was dead, hee fell likewiſe vpon *his* ſword, and died with him.

6 So Saul died, and his three ſons, and his armour-bearer, and all his men that ſame day together.

7 ¶ And when the men of Iſrael that *were* on the other ſide of the valley, and they that *were* on the other ſide Iordan, ſaw that the men of Iſrael fled, and that Saul and his ſonnes were dead, they forſooke the cities and fled, and the Philiſtines came and dwelt in them.

8 And it came to paſſe on the morrow, when the Philiſtines came to ſtrip the ſlaine, that they found Saul and his three ſonnes fallen in mount Gilboa.

9 And they cut off his head, and ſtripped off his armour, and ſent into the land of the Philiſtines round about, to publiſh *it* in the houſe of their idoles, and among the people.

10 And they put his armour in the houſe of Aſhtaroth: and they faſtened his body to the wall of Bethſhan.

11 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Iabeſh-Gilead heard ‖ of that which the Philiſtines had done to Saul: ‖ *Or, concerning him.*

12 All the valiant men aroſe, and went all night, and tooke the body of Saul, and the bodies of his ſonnes from the wall of Bethſhan, and came to Iabeſh, and * burnt them there. * *Ier. 34. 5. 2. Sam. 4. 12.*

13 And they tooke their bones, and * buried *them* vnder a tree at Iabeſh, and faſted ſeuen dayes.

THE SECOND BOOKE OF SAMVEL, otherwiſe called, The ſecond Booke of the Kings.

CHAP. I.

*An Amalekite, who brought tidings of the
death, and accuſed himſelfe of Sauls death, is
ſlaine. 17 Dauid lamenteth Saul and Ionathan
his ſonne.*

Now it came to paſſe, after the death of Saul, when Dauid was returned from * the ſlaughter of the Amalekites and Dauid had abode two dayes in Ziklag,

2 Euen it came to paſſe on the third day, that behold a man came out of the campe from Saul, with his rent, and earth vpon his head: and ſo it came to paſſe when hee came to Dauid, that hee fell to the ground and did obeyſance.

3 And Dauid ſaid vnto him, From whence comeſt thou? and hee ſaid vnto him, Out of the campe of Iſrael am I eſcaped.

4 And Dauid ſaid vnto him, † How went the matter? I pray thee, tell mee. And hee anſwered, that the people are fled from the battel, and many of the people alſo are fallen and dead, and Saul and Ionathan his ſonne are dead alſo.

5 And Dauid ſaid vnto the young man that told him, How knoweſt thou that Saul and Ionathan his ſonne be dead?

6 And the young man that told him, ſaid, As I happened by chance vpon mount Gilboa, Behold, Saul leaned vpon his ſpeare: and loe the charets and horſmen followed hard after him.

7 And when hee looked behind him, he ſaw me, and called vnto me: and I anſwered, † Here am I. † *Hebr. behold me.*

8 And he ſaid vnto me, Who *art* thou? And I anſwered him, I am an Amalekite. *Or, my coat of male (or my tunicle) ordered.*

9 He ſaid vnto me againe, Stand, I pray thee, vpon me, and ſlay me: for anguiſh is come vpon me, becauſe my life *is* yet whole in me. *coas) him-ſelfe.*

10 So I ſtood vpon him, and ſlew him, becauſe I was ſure that he could not liue after that he was fallen: and I tooke the crowne that *was* vpon his head, and the bracelet that *was* on his arme, and haue brought them hither vnto my lord. *that was vpon his head, &c.*

11 Then Dauid tooke hold on his clothes, & * rent them, & likewiſe all the men that *were* with him. * Chap. 3. 31. and 13. 31.

12 And

12 And they mourned and wept, and fasted vntill Euen, for Saul and for Ionathan his sonne, and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel, because they were fallen by the sword.

13 ¶ And Dauid said vnto the young man that told him, Whence art thou? And he answered, I am the sonne of a stranger, an Amalekite.

14 And Dauid said vnto him, * How wast thou not afraid to stretch foorth thine hand to destroy the LORDS Anointed?

15 And Dauid called one of the young men, and said, Goe neere, and fall vpon him. And hee smote him, that he died.

16 And Dauid said vnto him, Thy blood be vpon thy head: for thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I haue slaine the LORDS Anointed.

17 ¶ And Dauid lamented with this lamentation ouer Saul and ouer Ionathan his sonne:

18 (Also hee bad them teach the children of Iudah *the vse of* the bow: behold, it is written * in the booke ‖ of Iasher.)

19 The beauty of Israel is slaine vpon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!

20 * Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon: lest the daughters of the Philistines reioyce, lest the daughters of the vncircumcised triumph.

21 Ye mountaines of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be raine vpon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, *as though* hee had not beene anointed with oyle.

22 From the blood of the slaine, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Ionathan turned not backe, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

23 Saul and Ionathan *were* louely and ‖ pleasant in their liues, and in their death they were not diuided: they *were* swifter then Eagles, they were stronger then Lyons.

24 Ye daughters of Israel, weepe ouer Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with *other* delights, who put on ornaments of gold vpon your apparell.

25 How are the mighty fallen in the middest of the battell! O Ionathan, thou wast slaine in thine high places.

26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Ionathan, very pleasant hast thou beene vnto me: thy loue to mee was wonderfull, passing the loue of women.

27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of warre perished!

CHAP. II.

1 *Dauid by Gods direction, with his company goeth vp, to Hebron, where he is made king of Iudah.* 5 *He commendeth them of Iabesh-Gilead for their kindnes to Saul.* 8 *Abner maketh Ishbosheth king of Israel.* 12 *A mortall skirmish betweene twelue of Abners, and twelue of Ioabs men.* 18 *Asahel is slaine.* 25 *Abners motion to Ioab soundeth a retreat.* 32 *Asahels buriall.*

AND it came to passe after this, that Dauid enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I goe vp into any of the cities of Iudah? And the LORD said vnto him, Goe vp. And Dauid said, Whither shall I goe vp? And he said, Vnto Hebron.

2 So Dauid went vp thither, and his two wiues also, Ahinoam the Iezreelitesse, and Abigail Nabals wife the Carmelite.

3 And his men that *were* with him, did Dauid bring vp, euery man with his household: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.

4 And * the men of Iudah came, and there they anointed Dauid King ouer the house of Iudah: and they told Dauid, saying, That * the men of Gilead *were they* that buried Saul.

5 ¶ And Dauid sent messengers vnto the men of Iabesh-Gilead, and said vnto them, Blessed *be ye* of the LORD, that ye haue shewed this kindnesse vnto your lord, *euen* vnto Saul, and haue buried him.

6 And now the LORD shew kindnesse and trueth vnto you: and I also will requite you this kindnesse, because ye haue done this thing.

7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and † be ye valiant: for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Iudah haue anointed me King ouer them.

8 ¶ But Abner the sonne of Ner, captaine † of Sauls hoste, tooke Ishbosheth the sonne of Saul, and brought him ouer to Mahanaim,

9 And he made him King ouer Gilead, and ouer the Ashurites, and ouer Iezreel, and ouer Ephraim, and ouer Benjamin, and ouer all Israel.

10 Ishbosheth Sauls sonne *was* fourty yeere old when he began to reigne ouer Israel, and reigned two yeeres: but the house of Iudah followed Dauid.

10 (And the † time that Dauid was King in Hebron ouer the house of Iudah, *was* seuen yeeres and six moneths.)

12 ¶ And Abner the son of Ner, and the seruants of Ishbosheth the sonne of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.

13 And Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah, and the seruants of Dauid went out, and met † together by the poole of Gibeon: and they sate down, the one on the one side of the poole, and the other on the other side of the poole.

14 And Abner said vnto Ioab, Let the young men now arise, and play before vs: and Ioab said, Let them arise.

15 Then there arose and went ouer by number twelue of Beniamin, which *pertained to* Ishbosheth the sonne of Saul, and twelue of the seruants of Dauid.

16 And they caught euery one his fellow by the head, and *thrust* his sword in his fellowes side; so they fell down together: Wherefore that place was called, ‖ Helkath-hazzurim, which is in Gibeon.

17 And there was a very sore battell that day: and Abner was beaten, and the men of Israel before the seruants of Dauid.

18 ¶ And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Ioab and Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel was as light † of foot † as a wilde Roe.

19 And Asahel pursued after Abner, and in going he turned not to the right hand, nor to the left from † following Abner.

20 Then Abner looked behind him, and said, Art thou Asahel? and he answered, I am.

21 And Abner said to him, Turne thee aside to thy right hand, or to thy left, and lay thee hold on one of the young men, and take thee his armour. But Asahel would not turne aside from following of him.

22 And Abner said againe to Asahel, Turne thee aside from following me: Wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold vp my face to Ioab thy brother?

23 Howbeit hee refused to turne aside: therefore Abner with the hinder end of the speare smote him vnder the fifth *rib*, that the speare came out behind him: and he fell downe there, and died in the same place: and it came to passe, that as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died, stood still.

24 Ioab also and Abishai pursued after

* Psal. 105.15.

* Iosh. 10.13. ‖ Or, of the vpright.

* Mica. 1. 10.

‖ Or, swift.

* 1. Mac. 2. 37.

the Sunne went downe when they were come the hill of Ammah that *lyeth* before Giah by way of the wildernesse of Gibeon.

26 ¶ And the children of Beniamin gathered themselues together after Abner, and became one troupe, and stood on the top of an hill.

27 Then Abner called to Ioab, and said, Shall sword deuoure for euer? Knowest thou not that it will bee bitternesse in the latter end? How long shall it be then, yer thou bid the people returne from following their brethren?

28 And Ioab said, As God liueth, vnlesse thou hadst spoken, surely then † in the morning the people had ‖ gone vp euery one from following his brother.

29 So Ioab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more, neither fought they any more.

30 And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed ouer Iordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.

31 And Ioab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the people together, there lacked of Dauids seruants nineteene men, and Asahel.

32 But the seruants of Dauid had smitten of Beniamin and of Abners men, *so that* three hundred and threescore mendied.

1 ¶ And they tooke vp Asahel and buried him in the Sepulchre of his father which *was* in Bethlehem: and Ioab and his men went all night, and they came to Hebron at breake of day.

CHAP. III.

During the warre, Dauid still waxeth stronger. Sonnes were borne to him in Hebron. 6 Abner offended with Isboseth, 12 reuolteth to Dauid. Dauid requireth a condition to bring him his Michal. 17 Abner hauing communed with Israelites, is praised by Dauid, and dismissed. 22 returning from battell, is displeased with the king, and killeth Abner. 28 Dauid curseth Ioab, and mourneth for Abner.

NOw there was long warre betweene the house of Saul and the house of Dauid: but Dauid waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker.

2 ¶ And vnto Dauid were sonnes borne in Hebron: and his first borne was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Iezreelitesse:

3 And his second Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite, and the third Absalom the sonne of Maacah, the daughter of Talmai King of Geshur:

4 And the fourth Adonijah the son of Haggith: and the fifth Shephatiah the sonne of Abital:

5 And the sixth Ithream by Eglah Dauids wife: these were borne to Dauid in Hebron.

6 ¶ And it came to passe while there was warre betweene the house of Saul, and the house of Dauid, that Abner made himselfe strong for the house of Saul.

7 And Saul had a concubine whose name *was* Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and *Isboseth* said to Abner, Wherefore hast thou gone in vnto my fathers concubine?

8 Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Isboseth, and said, *Am* I a dogs head, which against Iudah doe shew kindnesse this day vnto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and haue not deliuered thee into the hand of Dauid, that thou chargest mee to day with a fault concerning this woman?

9 So doe God to Abner and more also, except as the LORD hath sworne to Dauid, euen so I doe to him:

10 To translate the kingdome from the house of Saul, and to set vp the throne of Dauid ouer Israel, and ouer Iudah, from Dan euen to Beer-sheba.

11 And hee could not answere Abner a word againe, because he feared him.

12 ¶ And Abner sent messengers to Dauid on his behalfe, saying, Whose *is* the land? saying *also*, Make thy league with me, & behold, my hand *shall be* with thee to bring about all Israel vnto thee.

13 ¶ And hee said, Well, I will make a league with thee: but one thing I require of thee, † that is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou first bring Michal Sauls daughter, when thou commest to see my face.

14 And Dauid sent messengers to Ishbosheth, Sauls sonne, saying, Deliuer me my wife Michal, which I espoused to me for * an hundred foreskins of the Philistines.

15 And Ishbosheth sent, and tooke her from her husband, *euen* from *Phaltiel the sonne of Laish.

16 And her husband went with her † along weeping behind her to Bahurim: then said Abner vnto him, Goe, returne. And he returned.

17 ¶ And Abner had communication with the Elders of Israel, saying, Yee sought for Dauid † in times past, to be King ouer you.

18 Now then doe *it*, for the LORD hath spoken of Dauid, saying, By the hand of my seruant Dauid, I will saue my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.

19 And Abner also spake in the eares of Beniamin: and Abner went also to speak in the eares of Dauid in Hebron, all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Beniamin.

20 So Abner came to Dauid to Hebron, and twenty men with him: and Dauid made Abner, and the men that *were* with him, a feast.

21 And Abner said vnto Dauid, I will arise, & go, and will gather all Israel vnto my lord the King, that they may make a league with thee, & that thou mayest reigne ouer all that thine heart desireth. And Dauid sent Abner away, and he went in peace.

22 ¶ And behold, the seruants of Dauid, and Ioab, came from *pursuing* a troupe, and brought in a great spoile with them: (but Abner *was* not with Dauid in Hebron, for he had sent him away, and he was gone in peace.)

23 When Ioab and all the hoste that *was* with him were come, they told Ioab, saying, Abner the sonne of Ner came to the King, and he hath sent him away, and he is gone in peace.

24 Then Ioab came to the king, & said, What hast thou done? Behold, Abner came vnto thee: Why is it that thou hast sent him away, & he is quite gone?

25 Thou knowest Abner the sonne of Ner that he came to deceiue thee, & to know thy going out and thy comming in, and to know all that thou doest.

26 And when Ioab was come out from Dauid, hee sent messengers after Abner, which brought him againe from the Well of Sirah: but Dauid knew it not.

27 And when Abner was returned to Hebron, * Ioab took him aside in the gate to speak with him ‖ quietly, and smote him there vnder the fifth *rib*, that he died, for the blood of * Asahel his brother.

28 ¶ And afterward when Dauid heard it, hee said, I and my kingdome *are* guiltlesse before the LORD for euer, from the † blood of Abner the sonne of Ner:

*1. Sam. 18.25 27

*1. Sam. 25.44. Phalti.

† Hebr. going and weeping.

† Hebr. both yesterday, and the third day.

*2. King. 2.5. ‖ or, peaceably. *Chap. 2.23.

† Hebr. bloods.

29 Let it rest on the head of Ioab, and on all his fathers house, and let there not † faile from the house of Ioab one that hath an issue, or that is a leper, or that leaneth on a staffe, or that falleth on the sword, or that lacketh bread.

† Heb. be cut off.

30 So Ioab and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because hee had slaine their brother * Asahel at Gibeon in the battell.

* Chap. 2. 23.

31 ¶ And Dauid said to Ioab, and to all the people that were with him, Rent your clothes, & gird you with sackecloth, and mourne before Abner. And King Dauid himselfe followed the † bier.

† Hel. bed.

32 And they buried Abner in Hebron, and the King lift vp his voyce, and wept at the graue of Abner: and all the people wept.

33 And the King lamented ouer Abner, and said, Died Abner as a foole dieth?

34 Thy hands were not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters: as a man falleth before † wicked men, so fellest thou. And all the people wept againe ouer him.

† Heb. children of iniquity.

35 And when all the people came to cause Dauid to eat meat while it was yet day, Dauid sware, saying, So doe God to mee, and more also, if I taste bread or ought else till the Sun be downe.

36 And all the people tooke notice of it, and it † pleased them: as whatsoeuer the King did, pleased all the people.

† He. was good in their eies.

37 For all the people, and all Israel vnderstood that day, that it was not of the King to slay Abner the sonne of Ner.

38 And the King said vnto his seruants, Know yee not that there is a Prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?

39 And I am this day † weake, though anointed King, and these men, the sonnes of Zeruiah, *be* too hard for me: the LORD shall reward the doer of euill, according to his wickednesse.

† Heb. tender.

CHAP. IIII.

1 The Israelites being troubled at the death of Abner, 2 Baanah and Rechab slay Ishbosheth, and bring his head to Hebron. 9 Dauid causeth them to be slaine, and Ishbosheths head to be buried.

AND when Sauls sonne heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands were feeble, and all the Israelites were troubled.

2 And Sauls son had two men that were captaines of bands: the name of the one was Baanah, and the name of the † other Rechab, the sonnes of Rimmon a Beerothite, of the children of Beniamin: (for Beeroth also was reckoned to Beniamin:

† Hebr. second.

3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there vntill this day.)

4 And Ionathan, Sauls sonne, had a son that was lame of his feet, *and* was fiue yeeres old when the tidings came of Saul and Ionathan out of Iezreel, and his nurse tooke him vp and fled: and it came to passe as shee made haste to flee, that hee fell, and became lame, and his name *was* Mephibosheth.

5 And the sonnes of Rimmon, the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah went, and came about the heat of the day, to the house of Ishbosheth, who lay on a bed at noone.

6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, as *though* they would haue fetched wheat, and they smote him vnder the fifth *rib*, and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.

7 For when they came into the house, hee lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and tooke his head and gate them away thorow the plaine all night.

8 And they brought the head of Ishbosheth vnto Dauid to Hebron, and said to the King, Behold the head of Ishbosheth the sonne of Saul thine enemie which sought thy life, and the LORD hath auenged my lord the King this day of Saul and of his seed.

9 ¶ And Dauid answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sonnes of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said vnto them, As the LORD liueth who hath redeemed my soule out of all aduersity,

10 When * one told mee, saying, Behold, Saul is dead († thinking to haue brought good tidings) I tooke hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, which *I thought* that I would haue giuen him a reward for his tidings:

11 How much more, when wicked men haue slaine a righteous person in his owne house, vpon his bed? Shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?

12 And Dauid commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged them vp ouer the poole in Hebron: but they tooke the head of Ishbosheth, and buried *it* in the * sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

CHAP. V.

1 The Tribes come to Hebron to anoint Dauid ouer Israel. 4 Dauids age. 6 He taketh Zion the Iebusites, dwelleth in it. 11 Hiram sendeth to Dauid. 13 Eleuen sonnes are borne to him in Ierusalem. 17 Dauid diuerteth by God, ouerthroweth the Philistines at Baal Perazim, 22 and againe at the mulberry trees.

THEN * came all the tribes of Israel to Dauid vnto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

2 Also in time past when Saul was king ouer vs, thou *wast he* that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, & thou shalt be a captaine ouer Israel.

3 So all the Elders of Israel came to the King to Hebron, and King Dauid made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed Dauid King ouer Israel.

4 ¶ Dauid was thirty yeere old when he began to reigne, *and* he reigned fourty yeeres.

5 In Hebron he reigned ouer Iudah seuen yeeres and sixe moneths: and in Ierusalem hee reigned thirty and three yeeres ouer all Israel and Iudah.

6 ¶ And the King and his men went to Ierusalem vnto the Iebusites, ‖ the inhabitants of the land, which spake vnto Dauid, saying, Except thou take away the blind, and the lame thou shalt not come in hither: ‖ Thinking Dauid cannot come in hither.

‖ Or, which spake vnto Dauid, saying, Except thou take away the blind, and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: thinking Dauid cannot come in hither.

7 Neuertheless, Dauid tooke the strong hold of Zion: the same *is* the city of Dauid.

8 And Dauid said on that day, Whosoeuer getteth vp to the gutter, and smiteth the Iebusites, and the lame, and the blind, *that are* hated of Dauids soule, * *he shall be* chiefe and captaine. ‖ Wherefore they said, the blind and the lame shall not come into the house.

‖ Or, Wherefore they said, the blind and the lame shall not come into the house.

9 So Dauid dwelt in the Fort, and called it the citty of Dauid, and Dauid built round about, from Millo, and inward.

10 And Dauid † went on, and grew great, and the LORD God of hosts was with him.

† Heb. went going and growing.

11 ¶ And * Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to Dauid, and Cedar trees, and carpenters and stone-sons: and they built Dauid an house.

12 And Dauid perceiued that the LORD had established him King ouer Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdome for his people Israels sake.

13 ¶ And * Dauid tooke him more concubines and wiues out of Ierusalem, after hee was come from

ebron, and there were yet ſonnes and daughters
orne to Dauid.
4 And *these be the names of those that were
orne vnto him in Ieruſalem, Shammua, and Sho-
, and Nathan, and Solomon:
5 Ibhar alſo, and Eliſhua, and Nepheg, and
phia,
8 And Eliſhama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet.
7 ¶ * But when the Philiſtines heard that they
d anointed Dauid King ouer Iſrael, all the Phili-
nes came vp to ſeeke Dauid, and Dauid heard of
and went downe to the hold.
8 The Philiſtines alſo came, and ſpread them-
ues in the valley of Rephaim.
9 And Dauid enquired of the LORD, ſaying,
alll I goe vp to the Philiſtines? wilt thou deliuer
em into mine hand? And the LORD ſaid vnto
auid, Goe vp: for I will doubtleſſe deliuer the
hiliſtines into thine hand.
10 And * Dauid came to Baal Perazim, and Da-
d ſmote them there, and ſaid, the LORD hath bro-
n forth vpon my enemies before me, as the breach
waters: Therefore hee called the name of that
ce, ‖ Baal-Perazim.
11 And there they left their images, and Dauid
d his men * ‖ burnt them.
12 ¶ And the Philiſtines came vp yet againe, and
read themſelues in the valley of Rephaim.
13 And when Dauid enquired of the LORD the
d, Thou ſhalt not goe vp: † but fetch a compaſſe
hind them, and come vpon them ouer againſt the
lbe y trees.
14 And let it bee when thou heareſt the ſound of
oing in the tops of the mulbery trees, that then
u ſhalt beſtirre thy ſelfe: for then ſhall the
RD goe out before thee, to ſmite the hoſte of
Philiſtines.
15 And Dauid did ſo, as the LORD had com-
anded him, and ſmote the Philiſtines from Geba,
till thou come to Gazer.

CHAP. VI.

*Dauid fetcheth the Arke from Kiriath-iearim
new cart. 6 Vzzah is ſmitten at Perez-Vzzah.
10 He leaueth the Arke in Obed-Edoms for the Arke. 12 Da-
bringeth the Arke into Zion with ſacrifices,
and before it, for which Michal deſpiſeth him. 17
planteth it in a Tabernacle, with great ioy and
ing. 20 Michal reproouing Dauid for his re-
oicing, is childleſſe to her death.*

1 Againe Dauid gathered together all the choſen
men of Iſrael, thirty thouſand:
2 And * Dauid aroſe, and went with all the peo-
that were with him, from Baal of Iudah, to
ng vp from thence the Arke of God, ‖ whoſe
me is called by the Name of the LORD of hoſts,
t dwelleth *betweene* the Cherubims.
3 And they † ſet the Arke of God vpon a new
art, and brought it out of the houſe of Abinadab
at was in ‖ Gibeah: and Vzzah and Ahio the
ns of Abinadab, draue the new cart.
4 And they brought it out of * the houſe of Abi-
dab which was at Gibeah, † accompanying the
rke of God: and Ahio went before the Arke.
5 And Dauid and all the houſe of Iſrael played
fore the LORD on all maner of *inſtruments* made
fir wood, euen on harpes, and on pſalteries, and
timbrels, and on cornets, and on cimbals.
6 And * when they came to Nachons threſhing
oore, Vzzah put forth his *hand* to the Arke of God,
nd tooke hold of it, for the oxen ‖ ſhooke *it*.
7 And the anger of the LORD was kindled
gainſt Vzzah, and God ſmote him there ſor *his*
errour, and there *hee* died by the Arke of God. ‖ *Or, raſhneſſe*
8 And Dauid was diſpleaſed, becauſe the LORD had † made a breach vpon Vzzah: and he called the name of the place, ‖ Perez-Vzzah vnto this *day*. † *Hebr. broken.*
9 And Dauid was afraid of the LORD that day, and ſaid, How ſhall the Arke of the LORD come to me? ‖ *That is, the breach of Vzzah.*
10 So Dauid would not remooue the Arke of the LORD vnto him into the city of Dauid: but Dauid carried it aſide into the houſe of Obed-Edom the Gittite.
11 And the Arke of the LORD *continued in the* houſe of Obed-Edom the Gittite, three moneths: and the LORD bleſſed Obed-Edom, and all his houſhold.
12 ¶ And it was told King Dauid, ſaying, * The LORD hath bleſſed the houſe of Obed-Edom, and all that *pertaine* vnto him, becauſe of the Arke of God. So Dauid went, and brought vp the Arke of God, from the houſe of Obed-Edom into the city of Dauid with gladneſſe. * 1. Chron. 15. 25.
13 And it was ſo, that when they that bare the Arke of the LORD had gone ſixe paces, he ſacrificed oxen and fatlings.
14 And Dauid danced before the LORD with all *his* might, and Dauid was girded with a linnen Ephod.
15 So Dauid and all the houſe of Iſrael brought vp the Arke of the LORD with ſhouting, and with the ſound of the trumpet.
16 And as the Arke of the LORD came into the city of Dauid, Michal Sauls daughter looked thorow a window, and ſaw King Dauid leaping and dancing before the LORD, and ſhe deſpiſed him in her heart.
17 ¶ And they brought in the Arke of the LORD, and ſet it in his place, in the midſt of the Tabernacle that Dauid had † pitched for it: and Dauid offered burnt offerings, and peace offerings before the LORD. † *Heb. ſtretched.*
18 And as ſoone as Dauid had made an *end* of offering burnt offrings, and peace offerings, * he bleſſed the people in the Name of the LORD of hoſts. * 1. Chron. 16. 2.
19 And he dealt among all the people, euen among the whole multitude of Iſrael, as well to the women as men, to euery one a cake of bread, and a good piece *of fleſh*, and a flagon *of wine*: ſo all the people departed euery one to his houſe.
20 ¶ Then Dauid returned to bleſſe his houſhold: and Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet Dauid, and ſaid, How glorious was the King of Iſrael to day, who vncouered himſelfe to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his ſeruants, as one of the vaine fellowes ‖ ſhameleſſly vncouereth himſelfe! ‖ *Or, openeth.*
21 And Dauid ſaid vnto Michal, *It was* before the LORD, which choſe me before thy father, and before all his houſe, to appoint me ruler ouer the people of the LORD, ouer Iſrael: therefore will I play before the LORD.
22 And I will yet be more vile then thus, and will be baſe in mine owne ſight: and of the maid-ſeruants which thou haſt ſpoken of, of them ſhall I be had in honour. ‖ *Or, of the hand maides of my ſeruants.*
23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child vnto the day of her death.

CHAP. VII.

1 Nathan firſt approoueth the purpoſe of Dauid to build God an houſe, 4 afterby the word of God forbiddeth him. 12 Hee promiſeth him benefits, and bleſſings in his ſeed, 18 Dauids prayer and thankeſgiuing.

a 1. Chro. 17. 2. AND it came to passe *when the King sate in his house, and the LORD had giuen him rest round about from all his enemies;

2 That the King said vnto Nathan the Prophet, See now, I dwell in an house of Cedar, but the Arke of God dwelleth within curtains.

3 And Nathan said vnto the King, Goe, doe all that is in thine heart: for the LORD is with thee.

4 ¶ And it came to passe that night, that the Word of the LORD came vnto Nathan, saying,

5 Goe and tell † my seruant Dauid, Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou build mee an house for me to dwell in?

† Hebr. to my seruant, to Dauid.

6 Whereas I haue not dwelt in any house, since the time that I brought vp the children of Israel out of Egypt euen to this day, but haue walked in a tent, and in a Tabernacle.

7 In all the places wherein I haue walked with all the children of Israel, spake I a word with ‖ any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, Why build yee not me an house of Cedar?

‖ In the 1. Chron. 17. 6. any of the Iudges. * 1. Sam. 16. 12. Psal. 78. 70.

8 Now therefore, so shalt thou say vnto my seruant Dauid, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, * I tooke thee from the sheepe coat, † from following the sheepe to be ruler ouer my people, ouer Israel,

† Hebr. from after.

9 And I was with thee whithersoeuer thou wentest, and haue cut off all thine enemies † out of thy sight, and haue made thee a great name, like vnto the name of the great men that are in the earth.

† Hebr. from thy face.

10 (Moreouer, I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their owne, and moue no more: neither shall the children of wickednesse afflict them any more, as before time,

11 And as since the time that I commanded Iudges to be ouer my people Israel, and haue caused thee to rest from all thine enemies:) Also the LORD telleth thee, that he will make thee an house.

12 ¶ And * when thy dayes be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleepe with thy fathers, I will set vp thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels and I will establish his kingdome.

* 1. Kings 8. 20.

13 * Hee shall build an house for my Name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for euer.

* 1. Kings 5. 5 & 6. 12. 1 chro. 22. 10.

14 * I will be his father, and he shall be my sonne: ‖ if he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men.

‖ Heb. in his committing. * Psal. 89. 31. 32.

15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I tooke it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

16 And thine house, and thy kingdome shall bee stablished for euer before thee: thy throne shall be stablished for euer.

17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speake vnto Dauid.

18 ¶ Then went King Dauid in, and sate before the LORD, and he said, Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought mee hitherto?

19 And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD: but thou hast spoken also of thy seruants house for a great while to come, and is this † the manner of man, O Lord GOD?

† Hebr. law.

20 And what can Dauid say more vnto thee? for thou Lord GOD knowest thy seruant.

21 For thy words sake, and according to thine owne heart hast thou done all these great things, to make thy seruant know them.

22 Wherefore thou art great, O Lord GOD: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God be-

sides thee, according to all that we haue heard with our eares.

23 And * what one nation in the earth is like thy people, euen like Israel, whom God went to redeeme for a people to himselfe, and to make him a Name, and to doe for you great things, and terrible things for thy land, before thy people which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, from the nations, and their gods?

24 For thou hast confirmed to thy selfe thy people Israel to be a people vnto thee for euer: and thou LORD, art become their God.

25 And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken, concerning thy seruant, and concerning his house, establish it for euer, and doe as thou hast said.

26 And let thy name bee magnified for euer, saying, The LORD of hosts is the God ouer Israel: and let the house of thy seruant Dauid be established before thee.

27 For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, hast † reuealed to thy seruant, saying, I will build thee an house: therefore hath thy seruant found in his heart to pray this prayer vnto thee.

† Hebr. reuealed thine eare.

28 And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and * thy words bee true, and thou hast promised this goodnesse vnto thy seruant:

29 Therefore now † let it please thee to blesse the house of thy seruant, that it may continue for euer before thee: † for thou O Lord GOD, hast spoken it, and with thy blessing let the house of thy seruant bee blessed for euer.

† Hebr. and now be pleased. † Hebr. for.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Dauid subdueth the Philistines and the Moabites. 3 He smiteth Hadadezer and the Syrians. 9 Toi sendeth Ioram with presents to salute him. 11 These gifts and the spoile Dauid dedicateth to God. 13 He putteth garisons in Edom. 16 Dauid his officers.

AND * after this it came to passe, that Dauid smote the Philistines, and subdued them: and Dauid tooke ‖ Metheg-Ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.

* 2. Sam. 21. 15. ‖ Or, the bridle of the mother City.

2 And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground: euen with two line measured he, to put to death, and with one full line to keepe aliue: and so the Moabites became Dauids seruants, and brought gifts.

3 ¶ Dauid smote also Hadadezer, the sonne of Rehob, King of Zobah, as he went to recouer his hand at the riuer Emphrates.

4 And Dauid tooke † from him a thousand charets, & seuen hundred horsemen: & twenty thousand footmen: and Dauid houghed all the charet horses, but reserued of them for an hundred charets.

† Hebr. from him.

5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour Hadadezer king of Zobah, Dauid slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

6 Then Dauid put garisons in Syria of Damascus, and the Syrians became seruants to Dauid, and brought gifts: and the LORD preserued Dauid whithersoeuer he went.

7 And Dauid tooke the shields of gold that were on the seruants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Ierusalem.

8 And from Betah, & from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, King Dauid tooke exceeding much brasse.

9 ¶ When Toi king of Hamath heard that Dauid had smitten all the host of Hadadezer,

10 Then Toi sent Ioram his sonne vnto king Dauid to † salute him, and to blesse him, because he had fought against Hadadezer, and smitten him: for Hadadezer † had warres with Toi: and Ioram

† Hebr. aske him of peace. † Hebr. was a warriour with.

wght with him veſſels of ſiluer, and veſſels of
d, and veſſels of braſſe;
Which alſo King Dauid did dedicate vnto
LORD, with the ſiluer and gold that hee had
licate of all nations which he ſubdued:
s Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of
mon, and of the Philiſtines, and of Amalek, and
the ſpoile of Hadadezer ſon of Reheb King of
bah.
And Dauid gate *him* a name, when he retur-
from ſmiting of the Syrians in the valley of
, *being* eighteene thouſand *men*.
¶ And hee put gariſons in Edom, thorowout
Edom put he gariſons, and all they of Edom,
me Dauids ſeruants: and the LORD preſerued
id whither ſoeuer he went.
And Dauid reigned ouer all Iſrael, and Dauid
ecuted iudgement & iuſtice vnto all his people.
And Ioab the ſonne of Zeruiah *was* ouer the
, and Iehoſhaphat the ſonne of Ahilud *was*
corder.
And Zadok the ſonne of Ahitub, and Ahime-
the ſonne of Abiathar, *were* the Prieſts, and
ſhah *was* the ‖ Scribe.
* And Benaiah the ſon of Iehoiada was *ouer*
the Cherethites and the Pelethites, and Da-
ſonnes were ‖ chiefe Rulers.

CHAP. IX.

Dauid by Ziba ſendeth for Mephibosheth 7 For whoſe ſake he entertaineth him at his table, and with him all that was Sauls. 9 Hee maketh his ſeruant.

Nd Dauid ſaid, Is there yet any that is left
of the houſe of Saul, that I may ſhew him
nneſſe for Ionathans ſake?
And there was of the houſe of Saul a ſeruant,
e name was Ziba: and when they had called
nto Dauid, the King ſaid vnto him, *Art* thou
And he ſaid, Thy ſeruant *is he*.
And the King ſaid, Is there not yet any of the
of Saul, that I may ſhew the kindneſſe of
nto him? And Ziba ſaid vnto the King, Io-
hath yet a ſon which is * lame on his feet.
id the King ſaid vnto him, Where *is* he? And
id vnto the King, Behold, he *is* in the houſe
chir the ſonne of Ammiel, in Lodebar.
Then King Dauid ſent, and fet him out of the
of Machir the ſon of Ammiel, from Lodebar.
ow when Mephibosheth the ſon of Ionathan,
of Saul was come vnto Dauid, hee fell on
, and did reuerence: and Dauid ſaid, Me-
heth! And hee anſwered, Behold thy ſer-
And Dauid ſaid vnto him, Feare not: for I
ely ſhew thee kindneſſe, for Ionathan thy
ſake, and will reſtore thee all the land of
y father, and thou ſhalt eat bread at my ta-
ntinually.
nd he bowed himſelfe, and ſaid, What *is* thy
that thou ſhouldeſt looke vpon ſuch a dead
as I?
Then the King called to Ziba Sauls ſeruant,
d vnto him, I haue giuen vnto thy maſters
that pertained to Saul and to all his houſe.
Thou therefore, and thy ſonnes, and thy ſer-
ſhall till the land for him, and thou ſhalt
the fruites, that thy maſters ſonne may
d to eat: But Mephibosheth thy maſters
ll eat bread alway at my table. Now Zi-
fifteene ſonnes, and twenty ſeruants
n ſaid Ziba vnto the King, According to
my lord the King hath commanded his
ſeruant, ſo ſhall thy ſeruant doe: as for Mephibo-
sheth, *ſaid the King*, Hee ſhall eate at my table as
one of the Kings ſonnes.
12 And Mephibosheth had a young ſonne whoſe
name *was* Micha: and all that dwelt in the houſe
of Ziba, *were* ſeruants vnto Mephibosheth.
13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Ieruſalem: for he
did eate continually at the Kings table, and was
lame on both his feet.

CHAP. X.

1 Dauids meſſengers ſent to comfort Hanun the ſonne of Nahaſh, are villanouſly intreated. 6 The Ammonites ſtrengthened by the Syrians are ouercome by Ioab & Abiſhai. 15 Shobach making a new ſupply of the Syrians at Helam, is ſlaine by Dauid.

A Nd it came to paſſe after this, that the * king
of the children of Ammon dyed, and Hanun
his ſonne reigned in his ſtead. * 1. Chron. 19.1.
2 Then ſaid Dauid, I will ſhew kindneſſe vnto
Hanun the ſonne of Nahaſh, as his father ſhewed
kindneſſe vnto mee. And Dauid ſent to comfort
him by the hand of his ſeruants, for his father:
and Dauids ſeruants came into the land of the chil-
dren of Ammon.
3 And the Princes of the children of Ammon ſaid
vnto Hanun their lord, ‖ Thinkeſt thou that Dauid
doth honour thy father, that he hath ſent comfor-
ters vnto thee? Hath not Dauid rather ſent his ſer-
uants vnto thee, to ſearch the city, and to ſpie it
out, and to ouerthrow it? ‖ Heb. in thine eyes doth Dauid?
4 Wherefore Hanun tooke Dauids ſeruants,
and ſhaued off the one halfe of their beards, and
cut off their garments in the middle, *euen* to their
buttocks, and ſent them away.
5 When they told it vnto Dauid, he ſent to meet
them, becauſe the men were greatly aſhamed: and
the King ſaid, Tarry at Iericho vntill your beards
be growen, *and* then returne.
6 ¶ And when the children of Ammon ſaw that
they ſtanke before Dauid, the children of Ammon
ſent and hired the Syrians of Beth-Rehob, and the
Syrians of Zoba, twenty thouſand footmen, and of
King Maacah a thouſand men, and of Ithob twelue
thouſand men.
7 And when Dauid heard of it, he ſent Ioab, and
all the hoſte of the mightie men.
8 And the children of Ammon came out, and put
the battell in aray at the entring in of the gate: and
the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob, and Ithob,
and Maacah, *were* by themſelues in the field.
9 When Ioab ſaw that the front of the battell
was againſt him before and behinde, he chooſe of all
the choyce men of Iſrael, and put them in aray a-
gainſt the Syrians.
10 And the reſt of the people he deliuered into
the hand of Abiſhai his brother, that he might
put them in aray againſt the children of Ammon.
11 And he ſaid, If the Syrians be too ſtrong for
me, then thou ſhalt helpe me, but if the children of
Ammon be too ſtrong for thee, then I will come
and helpe thee.
12 Be of good courage, and let vs play the men
for our people, and for the cities of our God: and
the LORD doe that which ſeemeth him good.
13 And Ioab drew nigh, and the people that
were with him vnto the battell againſt the Syri-
ans: and they fled before him.
14 And when the children of Ammon ſaw that
the Syrians were fled, then fled they alſo before A-
biſhai, and entred into the city: ſo Ioab returned
from the children of Ammon, & came to Ieruſalem.
15 ¶ And when the Syrians ſaw that they were

smitten before Israel, they gathered themselues together.

16 And Hadarezer sent and brought out the Syrians that *were* beyond the riuer, and they came to Helam, and Shobach the captaine of the hoste of Hadarezer *went* before them.

17 And when it was told Dauid, he gathered all Israel together, and passed ouer Iordan, and came to Helam, and the Syrians set themselues in aray against Dauid, and fought with him.

18 And the Syrians fled before Israel, and Dauid slew *the men* of seuen hundred charets of the Syrians, and fourty thousand horsemen, and smote Shobach the captaine of their hoste, who died there.

19 And when all the kings that were seruants to Hadarezer, saw that they were smitten before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and serued them: so the Syrians feared to helpe the children of Ammon any more.

CHAP. XI.

1 While Ioab besiegeth Rabbah, Dauid committeth adultery with Bathsheba. 6 Vriah sent for by Dauid to couer the adultery, would not goe home, neither sober nor drunken. 14 He carrieth to Ioab the letter of his death. 18 Ioab sendeth the newes thereof to Dauid. 26 Dauid taketh Bathsheba to wife.

AND it came to passe, that † after the yeere was expired, at the time when Kings goe forth *to battell*, that *Dauid sent Ioab and his seruants with him, and all Israel: and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah: but Dauid tarried still at Ierusalem.

† Helv. at the returne of the yeere. *1.Chron. 20.1.

2 ¶ And it came to passe in a neuening tide, that Dauid arose from off his bed, and walked vpon the roofe of the kings house, and from the roofe he saw a woman washing herselfe: and the woman was very beautifull to looke vpon.

3 And Dauid sent and enquired after the woman: and one said, Is not this Bathsheba the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Vriah the Hittite?

4 And Dauid sent messengers, and tooke her, and she came in vnto him, and he lay with her (for she was * purified from her vncleannesse) and, she returned vnto her house.

5 And the woman conceiued, and sent and told Dauid, and said, I am with child.

6 ¶ And Dauid sent to Ioab, *saying*, Send me Vriah the Hittite, and Ioab sent Vriah to Dauid.

7 And when Vriah was come vnto him, Dauid demanded of him † how Ioab did, and how the people did, and how the warre prospered.

8 And Dauid said to Vriah, Goe downe to thy house, and wash thy feet, and Vriah departed out of the Kings house, & there followed him a messe *of meat* from the King.

9 But Vriah slept at the doore of the Kings house, with all the seruants of his lord, and went not downe to his house.

10 And when they had told Dauid, saying, Vriah went not down vnto his house, Dauid said vnto Vriah, Camest thou not from thy iourney? why *then* diddest thou not goe downe vnto thine house?

11 And Vriah said vnto Dauid, The Arke and Israel and Iudah abide in tents, & my lord Ioab, and the seruants of my lord are encamped in the open fields; shall I then goe into mine house to eat and to drinke, and to lie with my wife? As thou liuest, and as thy soule liueth, I will not doe this thing.

12 And Dauid said to Vriah, Tary here to day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart. So Vriah abode in Ierusalem that day and the morrow.

13 And when Dauid had called him, he did eate and drinke before him, & he made him drunke: and at euen he went out to lie on his bed with the seruants of his lord, but went not downe to his house.

14 ¶ And it came to passe in the morning, that Dauid wrote a letter to Ioab, and sent *it* by the hand of Vriah.

15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Vriah in the forefront of the † hottest battell, and retire ye † from him, that he may be smitten and die.

16 And it came to passe when Ioab obserued the city, that he assigned Vriah vnto a place where he knew that valiant men were.

17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Ioab: and there fell some of the people of the seruants of Dauid, and Vriah the Hittite died also.

18 ¶ Then Ioab sent and told Dauid all the things concerning the warre:

19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the warre vnto the King:

20 And if so be that the King's wrath arise, and he say vnto thee, Wherefore approached ye so nigh vnto the city when ye did fight? Knew ye not that they would shoot from the wall?

21 Who smote * Abimelech the sonne of Ierubbesheth? Did not a woman cast a piece of a milstone vpon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? Then say thou, Thy seruant Vriah the Hittite is dead also.

22 ¶ So the messenger went, and came and shewed Dauid all that Ioab had sent him for.

23 And the messenger said vnto Dauid, Surely the men preuailed against vs, and came out vnto vs into the field, and wee were vpon them euen vnto the entring of the gate.

24 And the shooters shot from off the wall vpon thy seruants, & some of the kings seruants are dead, and thy seruant Vriah the Hittite is dead also.

25 Then Dauid said vnto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say vnto Ioab, Let not this thing displease thee, for the sword deuoureth † one as well as another: Make thy battell more strong against the city, and ouerthrow it: & encourage thou him.

26 ¶ And when the wife of Vriah heard that Vriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.

27 And when the mourning was ouer, Dauid sent and fet her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son: but the thing that Dauid had done, † displeased the LORD.

CHAP. XII.

1 Nathan parable of the Ewe lambe, conuicteth him to his owne iudgement. 7 Dauid reproued, more than confesseth his sin, and is pardoned. 14 He mourneth and prayeth for the child, which dieth. 24 Salomon is borne and named Iedidiah. 26 Ioab taketh Rabbah, and sorteth with the people thereof.

AND the LORD sent Nathan vnto Dauid: and he came vnto him, and said vnto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poore.

2 The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds.

3 But the poore man had nothing saue one little ewe lambe, which he had bought, & nourished vp: and it grew vp together with him, and with his children, it did eat of his owne † meat, and drank of his owne cup, and lay in his bosome, and was vnto him as a daughter.

4 And there came a trauailer vnto the rich man, and he spared to take of his owne flocks and of his owne herd, to dresse for the wayfaring man that

*Or, And when she had purified herselfe, &c. She returned. *Leuit. 15.19 & 18.19.

† Heb. of the peace of, &c.

† Heb. went out after him.

vnto him, but tooke the poore mans lambe, dressed it for the man that was come to him.

5 And Dauid sanger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, as the LORD liueth, the man that hath done this thing ‖ shall surely die.

6 And he shall restore the lambe * foure fold because he did this thing, & because he had no pity.

7 ¶ And Nathan said to Dauid, Thou art the man: thus saith ‖ LORD God of Israel, I anointed thee King ouer Israel, and I deliuered thee out of the hand of Saul,

8 And I gaue thee thy masters house, and thy masters wiues into thy bosome, and gaue thee the house of Israel, and of Iudah, and if that had beene too little, I would moreouer haue giuen vnto thee such and such things.

9 Wherefore hast thou despised the commandement of the LORD, to doe euill in his sight? thou hast killed Vriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to bee thy wife, and hast slaine him with the sword of the children of Ammon.

10 Now therefore the sword shall neuer depart from thine house, because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Vriah the Hittite to be thy wife.

11 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise vp euil against thee, out of thine owne house, and I will * take thy wiues before thine eyes, and giue them vnto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wiues in the sight of this Sunne.

12 For thou didst it secretly: but I will doe this thing before all Israel, and before the Sun.

13 And Dauid said vnto Nathan, * I haue sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said vnto Dauid, The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.

14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also that is borne vnto thee, shall surely die.

15 And Nathan departed vnto his house: and the LORD strake the child that Vriahs wife bare vnto Dauid, and it was very sicke.

16 Dauid therefore besought God for the child, and Dauid † fasted and went in, and lay all night vpon the earth.

17 And the elders of his house arose, *and went* to him, to raise him vp from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eate bread with them.

18 And it came to passe on the seauenth day that the child died: and the seruants of Dauid feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, Behold, while the child was yet aliue, wee spake vnto him, and he would not hearken vnto our voice: how will he then † vexe himselfe, if we tell him that the child is dead?

19 But when Dauid saw that his seruants whispered, Dauid perceiued that the child was dead: therefore Dauid said vnto his seruants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.

20 Then Dauid arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed *himselfe*, and changed his apparell, and came into the house of ‖ LORD, & worshipped: then he came to his owne house, and when he required, they set bread before him, and he did eat.

21 Then said his seruants vnto him: What thing is this that thou hast done? Thou didst fast and weepe for the child, while it was aliue, but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread.

22 And he said, While the child was yet aliue, I fasted & wept: for I said, Who can tell, whether God will be gracious to me, ‖ the child may liue?

23 But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? Can I bring him backe againe? I shall goe to him but he shall not returne to me.

24 ¶ And Dauid comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in vnto her, and lay with her: and * shee bare a sonne, and he called his name Solomon, and the LORD loued him.

25 And he sent by the hand of Nathan the Prophet; and * he called his name ‖ Iedidiah, because of the LORD.

26 ¶ And Ioab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and tooke the royall city.

27 And Ioab sent messengers to Dauid and said, I haue fought against Rabbah, and haue taken the city of waters.

28 Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encampe against the city, and take it: least I take the city, & † it be called after my name.

29 And Dauid gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and tooke it.

30 * And he tooke their kings crowne from off his head (the weight whereof was a talent of gold, with the precious stones) and it was set on Dauids head, and he brought forth the spoyle of the city in † great abundance.

31 And hee brought forth the people that were therein, and put *them* vnder saws, and vnder harrowes of yron, and vnder axes of yron, and made them passe through the brick-kilne: & thus did hee vnto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So Dauid and all the people returned vnto Ierusalem.

CHAP. XIII

1 Amnon louing Tamar, by Ionadabs counsell faining himselfe sicke, rauisheth her. 15 He hateth her and shamefully turneth her away. 19 Absalom entertaineth her, and concealeth his purpose. 23 At a sheepeshearing among all the Kings sons, he killeth Amnon. 30. Dauid grieuing at the newes, is comforted by Ionadab. 37 Absalom fleeth to Talmai at Geshur.

AND it came to passe after this, that Absalom the son of Dauid, had a faire sister, whose name was Tamar, and Amnon ‖ son of Dauid loued her.

2 And Amnon was so vexed, that hee fell sicke for his sister Tamar: for she was a virgin, & † Amnon thought it hard for him to doe any thing to her.

3 But Amnon had a friend whose name was Ionadab, the sonne of Shimeah, Dauids brother: and Ionadab *was* a very subtill man.

4 And he said vnto him, Why *art* thou, being the kings son, † leane from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? and Amnon said vnto him, I loue Tamar my brother Absaloms sister.

5 And Ionadab said vnto him, Lay thee downe on thy bed, and make thy selfe sicke: and when thy father commeth to see thee, say vnto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come and giue me meat, and dresse the meat in my sight, that I may see *it*, and eate *it* at her hand.

6 ¶ So Amnon lay downe and made himselfe sicke: and when the King was come to see him, Amnon said vnto the King, I pray thee let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eate at her hand.

7 Then Dauid sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnons house, & dresse him meate.

8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnons house, (and he was laid downe) and shee tooke ‖ floure and kneaded *it*, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes.

* Matth. 1.16.

* 1 Cor. 2.9.

‖ That is, beloued of the Lord.

† Hebr. my name he called.

† Hebr. was my brother, or kinsman in the eyes of Amnon.

† Heb. vexe himselfe.

† Heb. morning by morning.

‖ Or paste.

9 And she tooke a pan, and powred *them* out before him, but he refused to eat: And Ammon said, Haue out all men from me: And they went out euery man from him.

10 And Amnon said vnto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar tooke the cakes which she had made, and brought *them* into the chamber to Amnon her brother.

11 And when she had brought *them* vnto him to eat, he tooke hold of her, and said vnto her, Come lie with me my sister.

12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, doe not † force me: for * no such thing ought to be done in Israel: doe not thou this folly.

13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to goe? And as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fooles in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, speake vnto the King, for he will not withhold me from thee.

14 Howbeit hee would not hearken vnto her voyce, but being stronger then she, forced her, and lay with her.

15 ¶ Then Amnon hated her † exceedingly, so that the hatred wherewith he hated her, was greater then the loue wherewith he had loued her: And Amnon said vnto her, Arise, be gone.

16 And she said vnto him, There is no cause: this euill in sending me away, is greater then the other that thou didst vnto me: but he would not hearken vnto her.

17 Then he called his seruant that ministred vnto him, and said, Put now this *woman* out from me, and bolt the doore after her.

18 And she had a garment of diuers colours vpon her: for with such robes were the Kings daughters ‖ were virgines apparelled. Then his seruant brought her out, and bolted the doore after her.

19 ¶ And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of diuers colours that was on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.

20 And Absalom her brother said vnto her, Hath Amnon thy brother beene with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he is thy brother, † regard not this thing. So Tamar remained † desolate in her brother Absaloms house.

21 ¶ But when King Dauid heard of all these things, he was very wroth.

22 And Absalom spake vnto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.

23 ¶ And it came to passe after two full yeeres, that Absalom had sheep-shearers in Baal-Hazor, which * beside Ephraim: and Absalom inuited all the Kings sonnes.

24 And Absalom came to the King, and said, Behold now thy seruant hath sheep-shearers, Let the King, I beseech thee, and his seruants, goe with thy seruant.

25 And the King said to Absalom, Nay, my son let vs not all now goe, lest we be chargeable vnto thee. And he prest him: howbeit he would not goe, but blessed him.

26 Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon goe with vs. And the King said vnto him, Why should he goe with thee?

27 But Absalom prest him, that he let Amnon and all the Kings sonnes goe with him.

28 ¶ Now Absalom had commanded his seruants, saying, Marke ye now, when Amnons heart is merry with wine, and when I say vnto you smite Amnon, then kill him, feare not: ‖ haue not I commanded you? be couragious, and be † valiant.

29 And the seruants of Absalom did vnto Amnon as Absalom had commanded: then all the Kings sonnes arose, and euery man † gate him vpon his mule, and fled.

30 ¶ And it came to passe, while they were in the way, that tidings came to Dauid, saying, Absalom hath slaine all the Kings sonnes, and there is not one of them left.

31 Then the King arose and tare his garments, and lay on the earth: and all his seruants stood by with their clothes rent.

32 And Ionadab the sonne of Shimeah, Dauids brother, answered, and said, Let not my lord suppose that they haue slaine all the young men the Kings sonnes; for Amnon only is dead: for by the † appointment of Absalom this hath been determined, from the day that he forced his sister Tamar.

33 Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to thinke that all the Kings sonnes are dead: for Amnon only is dead.

34 But Absalom fled: and the young man that kept the watch, lift vp his eyes, and looked, and behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behinde him.

35 And Ionadab said vnto the King, behold, the Kings sonnes come: † as thy seruant said, so it is.

36 And it came to passe, assoone as he had made an end of speaking, that behold, the Kings sonnes came, and lift vp their voyce, and wept: and the King also and all his seruants wept † very sore.

37 ¶ But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai the son of ‖ Ammihud King of Geshur: and Dauid mourned for his sonne euery day.

38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three yeeres.

39 And *the soule of* King Dauid ‖ longed to go forth vnto Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Ammon, seeing he was dead.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 Ioab suborning a widow of Tekoah by a parable to incline the Kings heart to fetch home Absalom, bringeth him to Ierusalem. 25 Absaloms beauty, haire & children. 28 After two yeeres, Absalom by Ioab is brought into the Kings presence.

NOw Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah perceiued that the Kings heart was toward Absalom.

2 And Ioab sent to Tekoah, and fetcht thence a wise woman, and said vnto her, I pray thee, faine thy selfe to be a mourner, & put on now mourning apparel, & anoint not thy selfe with oyle, that thou be as a woman that had a long time mourned for the dead:

3 And come to the King, and speake on this manner vnto him: so Ioab put the words in her mouth.

4 ¶ And when the woman of Tekoah spake to the King, she fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, † Helpe, O King.

5 And the King said vnto her, What ailest thee? And she answered, I am indeed a widow woman, and mine husband is dead.

6 And thine handmaid had two sons & they two stroue together in the field, and there was none to part them, but the one smote the other, and slew him.

7 And behold, the whole family is risen against thine handmaid, and they said, Deliuer him that smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the life of his brother whom he slew, and we will destroy the heire also: and so they shall quench my coale which is left, and shall not leaue to my husband neither name nor remainder † vpon the earth.

8 And the King said vnto the woman, Go to thine house, & I will giue charge concerning thee.

9 And the woman of Tekoah said vnto the King,

† Hebr. humble me.
* Leuit. 18.9.
† Hebr. it ought not so to be done.
† Hebr. with great hatred greatly.
† Heb. set not thine heart.
† Heb. and desolate.
‖ Or, will you not since I haue commanded you?
† He, sons of valour

, O King, the iniquity *be* on me, and on ther house: and the King and his throne *be* e.

d the King said, Whosoever saith ought e, bring him to me, and he shal not touch y more.

en said she, I pray thee let the king remem- LORD thy God, † that thou wouldest not e reuengers of blood to destroy any more, y destroy my sonne. And he said, As the ly liueth, there shall not one haire of thy ll to the earth.

en the woman said, Let thine handmaid, I ee, speake one word vnto my lord the King. said, Say on.

d the woman said, Wherfore then hast thou such a thing against the people of God? King doth speake this thing as one which , in that the King doth not fetch home his banished.

we must needs die, and are as water spilt e ground, which cannot be gathered vp a- neither doth God respect any person, yet deuise meanes, that his banished be not ex- from him.

ow therfore that I am come to speak of this nto my Lord the King, *it is*, because the ople made me afraid: and thy handmaid will now speake vnto the King; it may be will performe ‖ request of his handmaid.

r the King will heare to deliuer his hand- e of the hand of the man *that would* de- and my son together, out of the inheri- God.

en thine handmaid said, The word of my King shall now be † comfortable: for as an God, so *is* my lord the King † to discerne bad: therefore the LORD thy God will thee.

he the King answered and said vnto the ide not from me, I pray thee, the thing ll aske thee. And the woman said, Let my King now speake.

d the King said, Is not the hand of Ioab in all this? And the woman answered and thy soule liueth, my lord the King, none to the right hand or to the left, from at the lord the King hath spoken: for thy ab, he bade mee, and he put all these he mouth of thine handmaid:

fetch about this forme of speech hath thy ab done this thing: and my Lord *is* wise to the wisedome of an Angel of God, to things that *are* in the earth.

d the King said vnto Ioab, Behold now, I this thing: go therefore, bring the yong lom againe.

Ioab fell to the ground on his face, and mselfe, and † thanked the King: and Ioab thy seruant knoweth that I haue found thy sight, my Lord, O King, in that the fulfilled the request of ‖ his seruant.

ab arose and went to Geshur, & brought Ierusalem.

he King said, Let him turne to his owne let him not see my face. So Absalom re- his own house, & saw not the Kings face

But in all Israel there was none to be so ed as Absalom, for his beautie: from his foot euen to the crowne of his head, no blemish in him.

when he polled his head (for it was at euery yeres end that he polled it: because *the haire* was heauy on him, therefore he polled it) hee weighed the haire of his head at two hundred shekels after the Kings weight.

27 And vnto Absalom there were borne three sonnes and one daughter, whose name *was* Tamar: she was a woman of a faire countenance.

28 ¶ So Absalom dwelt two full yeeres in Ierusalem, and saw not the Kings face.

29 Therefore Absalom sent for Ioab, to haue sent him to the king, but hee would not come to him: and when he sent againe the second time, he would not come.

30 Therfore he said vnto his seruants, See, Ioabs field is neere mine, and he hath barley there: goe † *Heb.* and set it on fire: and Absaloms seruants set the *were my* field on fire. *place.*

31 Then Ioab arose and came to Absalom vnto his house, and said vnto him, Wherefore haue thy seruants set my field on fire?

32 And Absalom answered Ioab, Behold, I sent vnto thee, saying, Come hither, that I may send thee to the king, to say, Wherefore am I come from Geshur? It had beene good for mee *to haue beene* there still: now therfore let me see the Kings face: and if there be any iniquity in me, let him kill mee.

33 So Ioab came to the King, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, hee came vnto the King, and bowed himselfe on his face to the ground before the King, and the King kissed Absalom.

CHAP. XV.

1 Absalom by faire speeches and contesies, stealeth the hearts of Israel. 7 Vnder pretence of a vow he obtaineth leaue to go to Hebron. 10 He maketh there a great conspiracie. 13 Dauid vpon the newes flieth from Ierusalem. 19 Ittai would not leaue him. 24 Zadok and Abiathar are sent back with the Arke 30 Dauid and his company goe vp Mount Olivet weeping. 31 He curseth Ahithophels counsell. 32 Hushai is sent back with instructions.

AND it came to passe after this, that Absalom prepared him charets, and horses, and fifty men to runne before him.

2 And Absalom rose vp early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was so, that when any man that had a controuersie † came to the King for † *Heb.* iudgement, then Absalom called vnto him and *to come.* said, Of what city *art* thou? And he said, thy seruant *is* of one of the tribes of Israel.

3 And Absalom said vnto him, See, thy matters ‖ *Or, none* *are* good and right: but there is ‖ no man *deputed* *will heare* of the King to heare thee. *you from the king* downe-wards.

4 Absalom said moreouer, O that I were made iudge in the land, that euery man which hath any suite or cause, might come vnto me, and I would doe him iustice.

5 And it was so, that when any man came nigh to him, to doe him obeisance, hee put foorth his hand, and tooke him, and kissed him.

6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel, that came to the King for iudgement: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.

7 ¶ And it came to passe, after fourtie yeeres, that Absalom said vnto the King, I pray thee, let me goe and pay my vow which I haue vowed vnto the LORD in Hebron.

8 For thy seruant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, If the LORD shall bring mee againe indeed to Ierusalem, then I will serue the LORD.

9 And the king said vnto him, Goe in peace. So he arose and went to Hebron.

10 ¶ But

10 ¶ But Absalom sent spies thorowout all the tribes of Israel, saying, Assoone as yee heare the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.

11 And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Ierusalem, that were called, and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.

12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, Danids counseller, from his city, *even* from Gilob, while he offered sacrifices: and the conspiracy was strong, for the people increased continually with Absalom.

13 ¶ And there came a messenger to Danid, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.

14 And Danid said vnto all his seruants that *were* with him at Ierusalem, Arise, and let vs flee: for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he ouertake vs suddenly, and † bring euill vpon vs, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.

† *Hebr.* thrust.

15 And the Kings seruants said vnto the King, behold, thy seruants *are ready to do* whatsoeuer my lord the King shall † appoint.

† *Hebr.* chuse.

16 And the King went forth, and all his household † after him: and the King left ten women which were concubines, to keepe the house.

† *Hebr.* at his feet.

17 And the King went forth, and all the people after him, and taried in a place that was farre off.

18 And all his seruants passed on beside him: and all the Cherithites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men, which came after him from Gath, passed on before the King.

19 ¶ Then said the King to Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore goest thou also with vs? returne to thy place, and abide with the King: for thou art a stranger, and also an exile.

20 Whereas thou camest *but* yesterday, should I this day † make thee goe vp and downe with vs? Seeing I goe whither I may, returne thou, and take backe thy brethren: mercy and trueth *be* with thee.

† *Hebr.* make thee wander in going?

21 And Ittai answered the King and said, As the LORD liueth, and as my lord the King liueth, surely in what place my lord the King shall be, whether in death or life, euen there also will thy seruant be.

22 And Danid said to Ittai, goe and passe ouer. And Ittai the Gittite passed ouer, and all his men, and all the little ones that *were* with him.

23 And all the country wept with a loud voyce, and all the people passed ouer: the king also himselfe passed ouer the brooke ‖Kidron, and all the people passed ouer toward the way of § wildernes.

‖ *Called.* Ioh. 18. 1. Cedron.

24 ¶ And loe, Zadok also, and all the Leuites *were* with him bearing the Arke of the Couenant of God, and they set downe the Arke of God: and Abiathar went vp vntill all the people had done passing out of the city.

25 And the King said vnto Zadok, Carry backe the Arke of God into the city: if I shall finde fauour in the eyes of the LORD, he will bring me againe, and shew me *both* it and his habitation.

26 But if he thus say, I haue no delight in thee: behold, here am I, let him doe to me as seemeth good *vnto him*.

27 The King sayd also vnto Zadok the Priest, Art not thou a Seer? returne into the city in peace, and your two sonnes with you, Ahimaaz thy sonne, and Ionathan the sonne of Abiathar.

v. 1 Sam. 9. 9.

28 See, I will tary in the plaine of the wildernes vntill there come word from you to certifie me.

29 Zadok therefore, and Abiathar caried the Arke of God againe to Ierusalem: and they tarried there.

30 ¶ And Danid went vp by the ascent of *mount* Olinet, † and wept as he went vp, and had his head couered, and he went barefoot, and all the people that *was* with him, couered euery man his head: and they went vp, weeping as they went vp.

† *Hebr.* and wept weeping.

31 ¶ And *one* told Danid, saying, Ahithophel is among the conspiratours with Absalom. And Danid said, O LORD, I pray thee, turne the counsell of Ahithophel into foolishnesse.

32 ¶ And it came to passe that when Danid was come to the top *of the mount* where he worshipped God, behold, Hushai the Archite came to meet him, with his coat rent and earth vpon his head.

33 Vnto whom Danid said, If thou passest on with mee, then thou shalt be a burden vnto me.

34 But if thou returne to the city, and say vnto Absalom, I will bee thy seruant, O King; as I *haue beene* thy fathers seruant hitherto, so will I *now* also be thy seruant: then mayest thou for me defeat the counsell of Ahithophel.

35 And *hast thou* not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the Priest? therefore it shall be, that what thing soeuer thou shalt heare out of the kings house, § shalt tel *it* to Zadok & Abiathar the Priests.

36 Behold, *they haue* there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadoks *son*, & Ionathan Abiathars *sonne*: and by them ye shall send vnto me euery thing that ye can heare.

37 So Hushai Danids friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Ierusalem.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *Ziba by presents and false suggestion wrongeth his masters inheritance.* 5 *Shimei reuileth Danid,* 7 *Danid with patience beareth and restraineth other from reuenge.* 15 *Hushai insinuateth himselfe into Absaloms fauour.* 20 *Ahithophels counsell.*

AND when Danid was a little past the top of *the hill*: behold, Ziba the seruant of Mephibosheth met him with a couple of asses laden, and vpon them two hundred *loaues* of bread, and an hundred bunches of raisins, and an hundred of summer fruits, and a bottle of wine.

2 And the King said vnto Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba said, The asses *be* for the Kings household to ride on, and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eate, and the wine, that such as be faint in the wildernes may drinke.

3 And the King said, And where is thy masters sonne? And Ziba said vnto the King, Behold, he abideth at Ierusalem: for he saith, To day shall the house of Israel restore me § kingdome of my father.

4 Then said the King to Ziba, Behold, thine are all that pertained vnto Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, † I humble my selfe, that I may finde grace in thy sight, my lord, O King.

5 ¶ And when King Danid came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei, the sonne of Gera: he came forth, and cursed still as he came.

6 And he cast stones at Danid, and all the seruants of King Danid: and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right hand and on his left.

7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, † thou bloody man, and thou man of Belial:

8 The LORD hath returned vpon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned, and the LORD hath deliuered the kingdome into the hand of Absalom thy sonne: and † behold, thou *art taken* in thy mischiefe, because thou *art* a bloody man.

9 ¶ Then said Abishai the sonne of

King, Why should this * dead dog curse
the King? let me goe ouer, I pray thee,
off his head.
d the King said, What haue I to doe with
ons of Zeruiah? So let him curse, because
D hath said vnto him, Curse Dauid. Who
n say, Wherefore hast thou done so?
d Dauid said to Abishai, and to all his ser-
behold, my sonne which came forth of my
seeketh my life: how much more now may
amite dee it? Let him alone, and let him
r the LORD hath bidden him.
may be that the LORD will looke on mine
ion, and that the LORD will requite good
rsing this day.
d as Dauid and his men went by the way,
went along on the hills side ouer against
cursed as he went, and threw stones at him
dust.
the King, & all the people that were with
e weary, and refreshed themselues there.
nd Absalom, and all the people the men of
me to Ierusalem, and Ahithophel with him
it came to passe, when Hushai the Archite
friend, was come vnto Absalom, that Hushai
Absalom, † God saue the King, God saue

d Absalom said to Hushai, Is this thy
e to thy friend? Why wentest thou not
friend?
Hushai said vnto Absalom, Nay, but
e LORD & this people, and all the men of
se, his will I be, & with him will I abide.
gaine, Whom should I serue? should I not
he presence of his son? as I haue serued in
s presence, so will I be in thy presence.
Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Giue
mong you what we shall doe.
Ahithophel said vnto Absalom, Goe in
fathers concubines, which he hath left to
house, and all Israel shall heare that thou
ted of thy father, then shall the hands of
n with thee, be strong.
ey spread Absalom a tent vpon the top
e, and Absalom went in vnto his fathers
, in the sight of all Israel.
the counsel of Ahithophel which he coun-
those daies, was as if a man had enquired
racle of God: so was all the counsell of
l, both with Dauid and with Absalom.

CHAP. XVII.

*Ahithophels counsell is ouerthrowne by Hushais
to Gods appointment. 15 Secret intelli-
ce to Dauid. 23 Ahithophel hangeth him-
Amasa is made Captaine. 27 Dauid at
Mahanaim is furnished with prouision.*

ouer, Ahithophel said vnto Absalom, Let
ow chuse out twelue thousand men, and
e and pursue after Dauid this night.
will come vpon him while he is weary,
handed, and will make him afraid: and
ple that are with him shall flee, and I
the King only.
will bring backe all the people vnto
m whom thou seekest is as if all retur-
the people shall be in peace.
e saying † pleased Absalom well, and
ers of Israel.
id Absalom, Call now Hushai † Archite
e vheare likewise † what he saith.
hen Hushai was come to Absalom, Ab-
e vnto him, saying, Ahithophel hath
spoken after this manner: shall wee doe after his
† saying? If not, speake thou.
7 And Hushai said vnto Absalom, The counsell
that Ahithophel hath † giuen, is not good at this
time.
8 For (said Hushai) Thou knowest thy father and
his men, that they be mighty men, and they be † cha-
fed in their minds, as a beare robbed of her whelps
in the field: and thy father is a man of warre, and
will not lodge with the people.
9 Behold, hee is hid now in some pit, or in some
other place: and it will come to passe, when some
of them be † ouerthrowen at the first, that whoso-
euer heareth it, will say, There is a slaughter a-
mong the people that follow Absalom.
10 And he also that is valiant, whose heart is as
the heart of a Lion, shall vtterly melt: for all Israel
knoweth that thy father is a mighty man, and they
which bee with him are valiant men.
11 Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally
gathered vnto thee, from Dan euen vnto Beersheba, as
the sand that is by the Sea for multitude, and † that
thou goe to battell in thine owne person.
12 So shall wee come vpon him in some place,
where he shall be found, and we will light vpon
him as the dew falleth on the ground: and of him,
and of all the men that are with him, there shall
not be left so much as one.
13 Moreouer, if he be gotten into a city, then
shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will
draw it into the riuer, vntill there be not one small
stone found there.
14 And Absalom, and all the men of Israel said,
The counsell of Hushai the Archite, is better then
the counsell of Ahithophel: For the LORD had
† appointed to defeat the good counsell of Ahitho-
phel, to the intent that the LORD might bring
euill vpon Absalom.
15 ¶ Then said Hushai vnto Zadok, and to Abia-
thar the Priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel
counsell Absalom and the Elders of Israel, and thus
and thus haue I counselled.
16 Now therefore send quickly, and tell Dauid,
saying, Lodge not this night in the plaines of the
wilderness, but speedily passe ouer, least the King be
swallowed vp, and all the people that are with him.
17 Now Ionathan and Ahimaaz stayed by En-
rogel: (for they might not be seene to come into
the city) and a wench went and told them: and
they went and told King Dauid.
18 Neuertheless a lad saw them, and told Absa-
lom: but they went both of them away quickly, and
came to a mans house in Bahurim, which had a well
in his court, whither they went downe.
19 And the woman tooke and spread a couering
ouer the wels mouth, and spread ground corne
thereon; and the thing was not knowne.
20 And when Absalems seruants came to the wo-
man to the house, they said, Where is Ahimaaz and
Ionathan? And the woman said vnto them, They
be gone ouer the brooke of water. And when they
had sought and could not find them, they returned
to Ierusalem.
21 And it came to passe after they were departed,
that they came vp out of the well, and went and told
King Dauid, and said vnto Dauid, Arise, and passe
quickely ouer the water: for thus hath Ahithophel
counselled against you.
22 Then Dauid arose, and all the people that were
with him, and they passed ouer Iordan: by the mor-
ning light there lacked not one of them that was
not gone ouer Iordan.

23 ¶ And

† Hebr. word. * † Hebr. counselled.
† Hebr. bitter of soule.
† Hebr. fallen.
† Hebr. that thy face or presence go, &c.
† Hebr. commanded.

† Hebr. done. † Hebr. gaue charge concerning his ſonne.

23 ¶ And when Ahithophel ſaw that his counſell was not † followed, he ſadled *his* aſſe and aroſe and gate him home to his houſe, to his citie, & † put his houſhold in order, and hanged himſelfe, and died, and was buried in the ſepulchre of his father.

24 Then Dauid came to Mahanaim: and Abſalom paſſed ouer Iordan, he and all the men of Iſrael with him.

25 And Abſalom made Amaſa Captaine of the hoſte inſtead of Ioab which Amaſa *was* a mans ſonne whoſe name *was* Ithra an Iſraelite, that went in to Abigail, the daughter of Nahaſh, ſiſter to Zeruiah Ioabs mother.

26 So Iſrael and Abſalom pitched in the land of Gilead.

27 ¶ And it came to paſſe, when Dauid was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the ſonne of Nahaſh of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the ſonne of Ammiel of Lodebar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,

‖ Or, cups.

28 Brought beds, and ‖ baſins, and earthen veſſels, and wheat, and barley, and floure, and parched *corne* and beanes, and lentiles, and parched *pulſe*,

29 And hony, and butter, and ſheepe, and cheeſe of kine for Dauid, and for the people that were with him, to eate: for they ſaid, The people *is* hungry, and weary, and thirſtie in the wildernesse.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Dauid viewing the armies in their march giueth them charge of Abſalom. 6 The Iſraelites are ſore ſmitten in the wood of Ephraim. 9 Abſalom hanging in an oake is ſlaine by Ioab, and caſt into a pit, 18 Abſaloms place. 19 Ahimaaz and Cuſhi bring tidings to Dauid. 33 Dauid mourneth for Abſalom.

AND Dauid numbred the people that *were* with him, and ſet captaines of thouſands, and captaines of hundreds ouer them.

2 And Dauid ſent foorth a third part of the people vnder the hand of Ioab, and a third part vnder the hand of Abiſhai the ſon of Zeruiah Ioabs brother, and a third part vnder the hand of Ittai the Gittite: and the King ſaid vnto the people, I will ſurely goe forth with you my ſelfe alſo.

† Heb. ſet their heart on vs. † Hebr. we tenne thouſand of vs. † Hebr. be to ſuccour.

3 But the people anſwered, Thou ſhalt not goe foorth: for if wee flee away, they will not care for vs, neither if halfe of vs die, will they † care for vs: but now *thou art* † worth ten thouſand of vs: therefore now *it is* better that thou † ſuccour vs out of the city.

4 And the King ſaid vnto them, What ſeemeth you beſt, I will doe. And the King ſtood by the gates ſide, and all the people came out by hundreds and by thouſands.

5 And the King commanded Ioab and Abiſhai, and Ittai, ſaying, *Deale* gently for my ſake with the young man, *euen* with Abſalom. And all the people heard when the King gaue all the captaines charge concerning Abſalom.

6 So the people went out into the field againſt Iſrael: and the battell was in the wood of Ephraim,

7 Where the people of Iſrael were ſlaine before the ſeruants of Dauid, and there was there a great ſlaughter that day of twenty thouſand men.

† Hebr. multiplied to deuour.

8 For the battell was there ſcattered ouer the face of all the country: and the wood † deuoured more people that day, then the ſword deuoured.

9 ¶ And Abſalom met the ſeruants of Dauid: And Abſalom rode vpon a mule, and the mule went vnder the ticke boughes of a great Oake, and his head caught hold of the Oake, and he was taken vp betweene the heauen and the earth, and the mule that *was* vnder him went away.

10 And a certaine man ſaw it, and told [illegible] ſaid Behold, I ſaw Abſalom hanged in an oake.

11 And Ioab ſaid vnto the man that told [illegible] And behold, thou ſaweſt *him*, and why didſt [illegible] not ſmite him there to the ground, and I [illegible] haue giuen thee ten *ſhekels* of ſiluer, and a [illegible]

12 And the man ſaid vnto Ioab, Though I [illegible] † receiue a thouſand *ſhekels* of ſiluer in mine [illegible] *yet* would I not put foorth mine hand againſt [illegible] Kings ſonne: for in our hearing the King [illegible] thee, and Abiſhai, and Ittai, ſaying, Beware [illegible] none *touch* the yong man Abſalom.

13 Otherwiſe, I ſhould haue wrought falſhood againſt mine *owne* life: for there is no matter from the King, and thou thy ſelfe, wouldeſt [illegible] thy ſelfe againſt *me*.

14 Then ſaid Ioab, I may not tarry thus [illegible] thee. And he tooke three darts in his hand, [illegible] thruſt them through the heart of Abſalom, [illegible] he was yet aliue in the † middeſt of the Oake.

15 And tenne yong men that bare Ioabs armour compaſſed about and ſmote Abſalom, and ſlew [illegible]

16 And Ioab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from purſuing after Iſrael: for Ioab [illegible] backe the people.

17 And they tooke Abſalom, and caſt him [illegible] great pit in the wood, and laid a very great [illegible] of ſtones vpon him, and all Iſrael fled [illegible] his tent.

18 ¶ Now Abſalom in his life time had [illegible] and reared vp for himſelfe a pillar, which is [illegible] kings dale: for he ſaid, I haue no ſonne to [illegible] my name in remembrance: And he called the [illegible] after his owne name, and it is called vnto this [illegible] Abſaloms place.

19 ¶ Then ſaid Ahimaaz the ſon of Zadok, Let [illegible] me now run, and bare the King tidings, how [illegible] the LORD hath † auenged him of his enemies.

20 And Ioab ſaid vnto him, Thou ſhalt not [illegible] tidings this day, but thou ſhalt bare tidings [illegible] other day: but this day thou ſhalt bare no tidings, [illegible] because the Kings ſonne is dead.

21 Then ſaid Ioab to Cuſhi, Goe tell the King [illegible] what thou haſt ſeene. And Cuſhi bowed himſelfe [illegible] vnto Ioab and ranne.

22 Then ſaid Ahimaaz the ſonne of Zadok [illegible] againe to Ioab, but ‖ howſoeuer, let me, I pray [illegible] alſo runne after Cuſhi. And Ioab ſaid, Wherefore [illegible] wilt thou runne, my ſon, ſeeing that thou haſt no [illegible] dings ‖ ready?

23 But howſoeuer (*ſaid he*) let me runne. [illegible] ſaid vnto him, Runne. Then Ahimaaz ran by [illegible] way of the plaine, and ouerranne Cuſhi.

24 And Dauid ſate betweene the two gates: [illegible] the watchman went vpto the roofe ouer the [illegible] vnto the wall, and lift vp his eyes, and looked, [illegible] behold, a man running alone.

25 And the watchman cryed, and told the [illegible] and the King ſaid, If he be alone, *there is* [illegible] in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew [illegible]

26 And the watchman ſaw another man [illegible] and the watchman called vnto the porter, [illegible] Behold, *another* man running alone. And the [illegible] ſaid, Hee alſo bringeth tidings.

27 And the watchman ſaid, † Me thinketh [illegible] ning of the foremoſt is like the running of [illegible] maaz the ſon of Zadok. And the King ſaid, [illegible] good man, and commeth with good tidings.

28 And Ahimaaz called and ſaid vnto the [illegible] ‖ All is well. And he fell downe to the earth [illegible] his face before the King, and ſaid, Bleſſed be [illegible] LORD thy God, which hath † deliuered vp

lift vp their hand againſt my lord the

f the King ſaid, † Is the young man Abſa-
And Ahimaaz anſwered, When Ioab ſent
ſeruant, and we thy ſeruant, I ſaw a
ult, but I knew not what it was.
the King ſaid vnto him, Turne aſide, and
. And he turned aſide, and ſtood ſtill.
behold, Cuſhi came, and Cuſhi ſaid,
my lord the King: for the LORD hath
ſtood this day of all them that roſe vp a-
e.
the King ſaid vnto Cuſhi, Is the young
lom ſafe? And Cuſhi anſwered, The ene-
y lord the King, and all that riſe againſt
e thee hurt, be as that young man is.
d the King was much moued, and went
chamber ouer the gate, and wept: and as
hus he ſaid, O my ſonne Abſolom, my ſon,
Abſalom: would God I had dyed for thee,
, my ſonne, my ſonne.

CHAP. XIX.

*anſeth the King to ceaſe his mourning. 9 Iſ-
ites are turned to bring the King back. 11
uith to the Prieſts: to incite them of Iudah
is pardoned. 24 Mephibaſheth excuſed. 32
ſi miſed, Chimham his ſon is taken into
family. 41 The Iſraelites expoſtulate with
Iudah, bring home the King without them.*

t was told Ioab, Behold, the king weepeth
mourneth for Abſalom.
e † victory that day was turned into
vnto all the people: for the people heard
y, how the King was grieued for his ſon.
e people gate them by ſtealth that day
e, as people being aſhamed ſteale away,
flee in battell.
e King couered his face, and the King
a loud voyce; O my ſonne Abſalom, O
y ſonne, my ſonne.
Ioab came into the houſe to the King and
ad ſhamed this day the faces of all thy
ich this day haue ſaued thy life, and the
ſons, and of thy daughters and the liues
s, and the liues of thy concubines.
t thou loueſt thine enemies, and hateſt
e: for thou haſt declared this day † that
eſt neither princes nor ſeruants: for this
ue, that if Abſalom had liued, and all
this day, then it had pleaſed thee well.
erefore ariſe, goe foorth, and ſpeake
ly vnto thy ſeruants: for I ſweare by
f thou goe not forth, there will not tary
e this night, and that will be worſe vn-
all the euill that befell thee, from thy
now.
e King aroſe, and ſate in the gate:
d vnto all the people, ſaying, Behold,
th ſit in the gate, and all the people
e the King: for Iſrael had fled euery
ſ.
the people were at ſtriſe throughout
s of Iſrael, ſaying, The King ſaued vs
nd of our enemies, and he deliuered vs
nd of the Philiſtines, and now he is
e land for Abſalom.
Abſalom whom we anoynted ouer vs, is
ll now therefore why † ſpeake ye not
inging the King backe?
ing Dauid ſent to Zadok, and to Abi-
, ſaying, Speake vnto the Elders of Iudah, ſaying, Why are ye the laſt to bring the King backe to his houſe? (ſeeing the ſpeech of all Iſrael is come to the King, euen to his houſe.)

12 Ye are my brethren, ye are my bones and my fleſh: wherefore then are ye the laſt to bring backe the King?

13 And ſay ye to Amaſa, Art thou not of my bone, and of my fleſh? God doe ſo to me, and more alſo, if thou be not captaine of the hoſte before me continually, in the roome of Ioab.

14 And he bowed the heart of all the men of Iudah, euen as the heart of one man, ſo that they ſent this word vnto the King? Returne thou and all thy ſeruants.

15 So the King returned, and came to Iordane: and Iudah came to Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to conduct the King ouer Iordane.

16 ¶ And* Shimei the ſon of Gera, a Beniamite, which was of Bahurim, haſted and came down with the men of Iudah, to meet King Dauid. *1. King. 2.8.

17 And there were a thouſand men of Beniamin with him, and * Ziba the ſeruant of the houſe of Saul, and his fifeteene ſons, and his twenty ſeruants, with him: and they went ouer Iordan before the King. *Chap. 16.1. & 4

18 And there went ouer a ferry boat to carry ouer the Kings houſhold, and to doe † what he thought good: and Shemei the ſon of Gera fell downe before the King, as he was come ouer Iordan; †Heb. the good in his eyes.

19 And ſaid vnto the King, Let not my lord impute iniquity vnto me, neither doe thou remember that which thy ſeruant did peruerſly, the day that my lord the King * went out of Ieruſalem, that the king ſhould take it to his heart. *Chap. 16.13.

20 For thy ſeruant doth know that I haue ſinned: therefore behold, I am come the firſt this day of all the houſe of Ioſeph, to goe downe to meet my lord the King.

21 But Abiſhai the ſonne of Zerniah, anſwered, and ſaid, ſhall not Shimei be put to death for this, becauſe he curſed the LORDS Anoynted?

22 And Dauid ſaid, What haue I to doe with you, ye ſons of Zeruiah, that ye ſhould this day be aduerſaries vnto mee? ſhall there any man be put to death this day in Iſrael? for doe not I know, that I am this day King ouer Iſrael?

23 Therefore the King ſaid vnto Shimei, Thou ſhalt not die, and the King ſware vnto him.

24 ¶ And Mephibaſheth the ſonne of Saul came downe to meet the king, and had neither dreſſed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor waſhed his clothes, from the day the King departed, vntill the day he came againe in peace.

25 And it came to paſſe when he was come to Ieruſalem to meet the King, that the King ſaid vnto him, Wherefore wenteſt not thou with me, Mephibaſheth?

26 And he anſwered, My lord, O King, my ſeruant deceiued me: for thy ſeruant ſaid, I will ſaddle me an aſſe, that I may ride thereon, and goe to the king, becauſe thy ſeruant is lame,

27 And he* hath ſlandred thy ſeruant vnto my lord the King: but my lord the king is as an Angel of God: doe therefore what is good in thine eyes. *Chap. 16.3.

28 For all of my fathers houſe were but † dead men before my lord the King: yet didſt thou ſet thy ſeruant among them that did eat at thine owne table: what right therefore haue I yet to cry any more vnto the King? †Heb. men of death.

29 And the King ſaid vnto him, why ſpeakeſt thou any more of thy matters? I haue ſaid, Thou and Ziba diuide the land.

30 And

30 And Mephibosheth said vnto the King, Yea, let him take all, forasmuch as my lord the King is come againe in peace vnto his owne house.

31 ¶ And Barzillai the Gileadite came downe from Rogelim, and went ouer Iordane with the king to conduct him ouer Iordane.

32 Now Barzillai was a very aged man, *euen* fourescore yeeres old, and * he had prouided the king of sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim: for he *was* a very great man.

* Chap. 17.27.

33 And the King said vnto Barzillai, Come thou ouer with me, and I will feed thee with mee in Ierusalem.

† Hebr. How many dayes are the yeeres of my life?

34 And Barzillai said vnto the King, † How long haue I to liue, that I should goe vp with the King vnto Ierusalem?

35 I *am* this day fourescore yeeres old: *and* can I discerne betweene good and euill? Can thy seruant taste what I eate, or what I drinke? Can I heare any more the voice of singing men and singing women? Wherefore then should thy seruant be yet a burden vnto my lord the King?

36 Thy seruant will goe a little way ouer Iordan with the King: and why should the king recompence it me with such a reward?

37 Let thy seruant, I pray thee, turne backe againe, that I may die in mine own city, and *be buried* by the graue of my father, and of my mother: but behold thy seruant Chimham, let him goe ouer with my lord the King, and doe to him what shall seeme good vnto thee.

38 And the King answered, Chimham shall goe ouer with mee, and I will doe to him that which shall seeme good vnto thee: and whatsoeuer thou shalt † require of mee, that will I doe for thee.

† Hebr. chuse.

39 And all the people went ouer Iordane: and when the King was come ouer, the King kissed Barzillai, and blessed him, and he returned vnto his owne place.

40 Then the king went on to Gilgal, and Chimham went on with him: and all the people of Iudah conducted the King, and also halfe the people of Israel.

41 ¶ And behold, all the men of Israel came to the King, and said vnto the King, Why haue our brethren the men of Iudah stollen thee away, and haue brou ht the King and his household, and all Dauids men with him ouer Iordan?

42 And all the men of Iudah answered the men of Israel, Because the King is neere of kin to vs: wherefore then be ye angry for this matter? Haue wee eaten at all of the Kings cost? or hath he giuen vs any gift?

43 And the men of Israel answered the men of Iudah, and said, We haue ten parts in the King, and we haue also more *right* in Dauid then yee: why then did yee † despise vs, that our aduice should not be first had in bringing backe our King? And the words of the men of Iudah were fiercer then the words of the men of Israel.

† Hebr. set vs at light.

CHAP. XX.

1 *Bycciah of the quarrel Sheba maketh a party in Israel.* 3 *Dauids ten concubines are shut vp in perpetuall prison.* 4 *Amasa made captaine ouer Iudah, is slaine by Ioab.* 14 *Ioab pursueth Sheba, vnto Abel.* 16 *A wise woman sauish the city by Shebaes head.* 23 *Dauids officers.*

AND there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name *was* Sheba, † sonne of Bichri a Beniamite, and he blew a trumpet, and said, We haue no part in Dauid, neither haue we inheritance in the son of Ieese, euery man to his tents, O Israel.

2 So euery man of Israel went vp from Dauid, *and* followed Sheba the sonne of Bichri: but the men of Iudah claue vnto their King, from Iordan euen to Ierusalem.

3 ¶ And Dauid came to his house at Ierusalem: and the king tooke the tenne women* his concubines whom he had left to keepe the house, and put them in † ward, and fed them, but went not in to them: so they were † shut vp vnto the day of their death † liuing in widdowhood.

4 ¶ Then said the King to Amasa, † Assemble me the men of Iudah within three dayes, and be thou here present.

5 So Amasa went to assemble the men of Iudah: but hee tarried longer then the set time which he had appointed him.

6 And Dauid said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the sonne of Bichri doe vs more harme then did Absalom: take thou thy lords seruants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fenced cities, and † escape vs.

7 And there went out after him Ioabs men, and the * Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men: and they went out of Ierusalem to pursue after Sheba the sonne of Bichri.

8 When they *were* at the great stone which is in Gibeon, Amasa went before them. And Ioabs garment that he had put on was girded vnto him, and vpon it a girdle with a sword fastened vpon his loines in the sheath thereof: and as he went forth it fell out.

9 And Ioab said to Amasa, Art thou in health my brother? And Ioab tooke Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kisse him.

10 But Amasa tooke no heed to the sword that *was* in Ioabs hand: so he smote him therewith in the fifth *rib*, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and † strake him not againe, and he died. So Ioab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the sonne of Bichri.

† Hebr. smote.

11 And one of Ioabs men stood by him, and said, Hee that fauoureth Ioab, and he that is for Dauid, *let him goe* after Ioab.

12 And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the high way: and when the man saw that all the people stood still, he remoued Amasa out of the high way into the field, and cast a cloth vpon him when he saw that euery one that came by him stood still.

13 When he was remoued out of the high way, all the people went on after Ioab, to pursue after Sheba the sonne of Bichri.

14 ¶ And hee went thorow all the tribes of Israel vnto Abel, & to Bethmaachah, and all the Berites: and they were gathered together, & went also after him.

15 And they came and besieged him in Abel of Bethmaachah, and they cast vp a banke against the citie, and † it stood in the rampire: and all the people that *were* with Ioab † battered the wall, to throw it downe.

† Hebr. he set vp a bank light.

16 ¶ Then cried a wise woman out of the citie, Heare, heare; say, I pray you, vnto Ioab, Come neere hither, that I may speake with thee.

17 And when he was come neere vnto her, the woman said, *Art* thou Ioab? and he answered, I *am* he. Then she said vnto him, Heare the words of thine handmaid. And he answered, I doe heare.

18 Then she spake, saying, They were wont to speake in old time, saying, They shall surely aske counsell at Abel: and so they ended the matter.

19 I *am* one of them that are peaceable and faithfull in Israel: † thou seekest to destroy a citie

† Hebr. thou seekest to kill.

er in Israel? Why wilt thou ſwallow vp
heritance of the LORD?

2 And Ioab anſwered and ſaid, Farre be it, far
om me, that I ſhould ſwallow vp or deſtroy
The matter is not ſo: but a man of mount
im (Sheba the ſon of Bichri † by name) hath
is hand againſt the King, *even* againſt Da-
ſe: deliuer him only, and I will depart from the
nd the woman ſaid vnto Ioab, Behold, his
e ſhalbe throwne to thee ouer the wall.

Then the woman went vnto all the people in
ſedome, and they cut off the head of Sheba,
ne of Bichri, and caſt *it* out to Ioab: and he
trumpet, and they † retired from the city,
man to his tent: and Ioab returned to Ieru-
vnto the King.

Now *Ioab was* ouer all the hoſte of Iſrael,
enaiah the ſonne of Iehoiada *was* ouer the
hites and ouer the Pelethites.

nd Adoram *was* ouer the tribute, and Ieho-
t the ſonne of Ahilud *was* ‖ Recorder.

nd Sheua *was* Scribe, and Zadok and Abia-
re the Prieſts.

nd Ira alſo the Iairite, was ‖ a chiefe ruler
Dauid.

CHAP. XXI.

*three yeeres famine for the Gibeonites, ceaſe
ing ſeuen of Sauls ſonnes.* 10 *Rizpahs kind-
nes to the dead.* 12 *Dauid buryeth the bones
and Ionathan in his fathers ſepulchre.* 15
*warres againſt the Philiſtines, wherein foure
s of Dauid ſlay foure gyants.*

n there was a famine in the dayes of Dauid
ree yeeres, yeere after yeere, and Dauid
ght of the LORD. And the LORD anſwered,
Saul, and for *his* bloody houſe, becauſe hee
Gibeonites.

d the King called the Gibeonites, and ſaid
m, (now the Gibeonites were not of the
n of Iſrael, but * of the remnant of the A-
and the children of Iſrael had ſworne vnto
ud Saul ſought to ſlay them in his zeal to
ren of Iſrael and Iudah.)

erefore Dauid ſaid vnto the Gibeonites,
hall I doe for you? and wherewith ſhall I
e atonement, that ye may bleſſe the inheri-
the LORD?

d the Gibeonites ſaid vnto him, ‖ We will
ſilver nor gold of Saul, nor of his houſe,
for vs ſhalt thou kill any man in Iſrael.
ſaid, What you ſhall ſay, *that* will I doe

they anſwered the King, The man that
d vs, and that ‖ deuiſed againſt vs, *that* we
e deſtroyed from remaining in any of the
Iſrael,

ſeuen men of his ſonnes be deliuered vnto
ee will hang them vp vnto the LORD in
Saul, ‖ whom the LORD did chuſe. And
ſaid, I will giue *them*.

the King ſpared Mephibosheth, the ſon of
the ſon of Saul, becauſe of the * LORDS
, was betweene them, betweene Dauid,
han the ſonne of Saul.

e king tooke the two ſonnes of Rizpah, the
of Aiah, whom ſhe bare vnto Saul, Armo-
phibosheth, and the fiue ſons of † Michal,
ter of Saul, whom ſhee † brought vp for
ſonne of Barzillai the Meholathite.

he deliuered them into the hands of the
s, and they hanged them in the hill be-
ORD, and they fell all ſeuen together,
and were put to death in the dayes of harueſt, *in*
the firſt *dayes*, in the beginning of barley harueſt.

10 ¶ And * Rizpah the daughter of Aiah tooke * Chap.
ſackcloth, and ſpread it for her vpon the rocke, 3. 7.
from the beginning of harueſt, vntill water dropped vpon them out of heauen, and ſuffered neither the birds of the ayre to reſt on them by day, nor the beaſts of the field by night.

11 And it was told Dauid what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul had done.

12 ¶ And Dauid went and tooke the bones of Saul, and the bones of Ionathan his ſonne, from the men of Iabeſh-Gilead, which had ſtollen them from the ſtreet of Bethſhan, where the * Philiſtines had * 1. Sam.
hanged them, when the Philiſtines had ſlaine Saul 31. 10.
in Gilboa.

13 And hee brought vp from thence the bones of Saul, and the bones of Ionathan his ſonne, and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.

14 And the bones of Saul and Ionathan his ſonne buried they in the countrey of Beniamin in Zelah, in the Sepulchre of Kiſh his father: and they performed all that the King commanded; and after that, God was intreated for the land.

15 ¶ Moreouer the Philiſtines had yet warre againe with Iſrael, and Dauid went downe, and his ſeruants with him, and fought againſt the Philiſtines, and Dauid waxed faint.

16 And Ishbi-benob which *was* of the ſonnes of ‖ the Grant, (the weight of whoſe † ſpeare weighed three hundred ſhekels of braſſe in weight) hee being girded with a new *ſword*, thought to haue ſlaine Dauid.

17 But Abiſhai the ſonne of Zeruiah ſuccoured him, and ſmote the Philiſtine, and killed him. Then the men of Dauid ſware vnto him, ſaying, Thou ſhalt go no more out with vs to battell, that thou quench not the † light of Iſrael.

18 * And it came to paſſe after this, that there was againe a battell with the Philiſtines at Gob: then Sibbechai the Hushathite ſlew Saph, which *was* of the ſonnes of ‖ the Gyant.

19 And there was againe a battell in Gob with the Philiſtines, where Elhanan the ſonne of Iaare-Oregim, a Bethlehemite, ſlew * *the brother of* Goliath the Gittite, the ſtaffe of whoſe ſpeare *was* like a weauers beame.

20 And there was yet a battell in Gath, where was a man of *great* ſtature, that had on euery hand ſixe fingers, and on euery foote ſixe toes, foure and twenty in number, and hee alſo was borne to ‖ the Gyant.

21 And when he ‖ defied Iſrael Ionathan the ſon of * Shimea, the brother of Dauid, ſlew him.

22 Theſe foure were borne to the Gyant in Gath, and fell by the hand of Dauid, and by the hand of his ſeruants.

or, Rapha.
† *Heb.* the baſſe or *the beame.*
† *Hebr.* candle or *lampe.*
* 1 Chron. 20. 4.
‖ *Or, Rapha.*
* See 1 chron. 20. 5.
‖ *Or, Raphah.*
‖ *Or.* reproached.
* 1. Sam. 16. 9.

CHAP. XXII.

A Pſalme of thankſgiuing for Gods powerfull deliuerance, and manifold bleſſings.

AND Dauid ſpake vnto the LORD the words of this ſong, the day *that* the LORD had deliuered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul.

2 And he ſaid, * The LORD *is* my rocke and my fortreſſe, and my deliuerer. * Pſal. 18. 2, &c.

3 The God of my rocke, in him will I truſt: hee *is* my ſhield, and the horne of my ſaluation, my high tower and my refuge, my Sauiour; thou ſaueſt mee from violence.

4 I will call on the LORD, who *is* worthy to bee

be praised: so shall I be saued from mine enemies.

‖Or, pangs. 5 When the ‖ wanes of death compassed me: the floods of †vngodly men made me afraid.

†Hebr. Belial. 6 The ‖ sorrowes of hell compassed me about: the snares of death preuented me.

‖Or, cords. 7 In my distresse I called vpon the LORD, and cryed to my God, and hee did heare my voyce out of his Temple, and my cry *did enter* into his eares.

8 Then the earth shooke and trembled: the foundations of heauen mooued and shooke because he was wroth.

†Heb. by. 9 There went vp a smoake †out of *his* nostrils, and fire out of his mouth deuoured: coales were kindled by it.

10 He bowed the heauens also, and came downe: and darkenesse *was* vnder his feet.

11 And he rode vpon a Cherub, and did flie: and he was seene vpon the wings of the wind.

†Hebr. binding of waters 12 And hee made darkenesse pauilions round about him, † darke waters, *and* thicke clouds of the skies.

13 Through the brightnesse before him, were coales of fire kindled.

14 The LORD thundred from heauen: and the most High vttered his voyce.

15 And he sent out arrowes, and scattered them; lightning, and discomfited them.

16 And the channels of the Sea appeared, the foundations of the world were discouered, at the rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of the breath of his nostrils.

17 He sent from aboue, hee tooke me: he drew
Or, great me out of ‖ many waters.

18 He deliuered me from my strong enemy, *and* from them that hated me: for they were too strong for mee.

19 They preuented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

20 He brought me forth also into a large place: he deliuered mee, because he delighted in me.

21 The LORD rewarded mee according to my righteousnesse, according to the cleannesse of my hands hath he recompensed me.

6 22 For I haue kept the wayes of the LORD,
2 Chron. 19. and haue not wickedly departed from my God.

As 23 For all his Iudgements *were* before mee: and for his Statutes, I did not depart from them.

†Heb. to him. 24 I was also vpright † before him: and haue kept my selfe from mine iniquity.

25 Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousnesse: according to my

†Hebr. before his eyes. cleannesse † in his eye-sight.

26 With the mercifull thou wilt shew thy selfe mercifull, *and* with the vpright man, thou wilt shew thy selfe vpright.

27 With the pure thou wilt shew thy selfe pure: and with the froward thou wilt ‖ shew thy selfe vnsauoury.

‖Or, wrestle. Ps. 18. 27. 28 And the afflicted people thou wilt saue: but thine eyes *are* vpon the haughty, *that* thou mayest bring *them* downe.

‖Or, candle. 29 For thou *art* my ‖ lampe, O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my darkenesse.

‖Or, broken a troope. 30 For by thee I haue ‖ run through a troope: by my God haue I leaped ouer a wall.

‖Or, refined. 31 As for God, his way is perfect, the Word of the LORD is ‖ tried: hee is a buckler to all them that trust in him.

†Hebr. sidder or beareth. 32 For who *is* God, saue the LORD? and who *is* a rocke, saue our God?

33 God *is* my strength *and* power: and he † maketh my way perfect.

34 Hee † maketh my feet like hinds feet, and
setteth me vpon my high places.

35 Hee teacheth my hands † to warre: so that
a bow of steele is broken by mine armes.

36 Thou hast also giuen me the shield of thy
nation: and thy gentlenesse † hath made me great.

37 Thou hast enlarged my steps vnder me,
that my † feet did not slip.

38 I haue pursued mine enemies, and destroyed
them: and turned not againe vntill I had consumed them.

39 And I haue consumed them, and wounded
them, that they could not arise: yea, they are fallen vnder my feet.

40 For thou hast girded mee with strength to
battell: them that rose vp against me, hast thou
† subdued vnder mee.

41 Thou hast also giuen me the necks of mine
enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.

42 They looked, but there was none to saue: *euen*
vnto the LORD, but he answered them not.

43 Then did I beat them as small as the dust of
the earth: I did stampe them as the myre of the
street, *and* did spread them abroad.

44 Thou also hast deliuered me from the strifes
of my people, thou hast kept me *to be* head of the
heathen: a people which I knew not, shall serue
me.

45 †Strangers shall ‖ submit themselues vnto
mee: assoone as they heare they shall be obedient
vnto mee.

46 Strangers shall fade away: and they shall be
afraid out of their close places.

47 The LORD liueth, and blessed *be* my rocke, and
exalted be the God of the rocke of my saluation.

48 It *is* God that † auengeth me, and that bring-
eth downe the people vnder me,

49 And that bringeth mee forth from mine ene-
mies: thou also hast lifted mee vp on high aboue
them that rose vp against me: thou hast deliuered
me from the violent man.

50 Therefore I will giue thankes vnto thee, O
LORD, among * the heathen: and I will sing praises
vnto thy Name.

51 Hee is the towre of saluation for his King,
and sheweth mercy to his Anointed, vnto Dauid,
and * to his seed for euermore.

CHAP. XXIII.

*1 Dauid in his last words professeth the
Gods promises to be beyond hope sure
The different state of the wicked. 8. A
of Dauids mighty men.*

NOw these be the last words of Dauid. Dauid
the sonne of Iesse said, and the man who was
raised vp on high, the Anointed of the God of Ia-
cob, and the sweet Psalmist of Israel, said,

2 The spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his
word *was* in my tongue. † Sam. 23. 2.

3 The God of Israel said, The Rocke of Israel
spake to mee: ‖ hee that ruleth ouer men *must be*
iust, ruling in the feare of God:

4 And *he shall be* as the light of the morning,
the Sun ariseth, *euen* a morning without clouds:
the tender grasse *springing* out of the earth by
cleere shining after raine.

5 Although my house *be* not so with God; yet
hath hee made with me an euerlasting Couenant,
ordered in all things, & sure: for this is all my saluation,
and all my desire, although he make it not to grow.

6 ¶ But *the sonnes* of Belial *shall be* all of them
as thornes thrust away, because they cannot be ta-
ken with hands,

7 But the man *that* shall touch them must be

ld with yron, & the ſtaffe of aſpeare, and they
verterly burnt with fire in the *ſame* place.
These *be* the names of the mighty men whom
Dadi the Tachmonite that ſate in the ſeat,
among the captaines (the ſame *was* Adino
nite:) | *he lift vp his ſpeare* againſt eight
ed, † whom he ſlew at one time.
And after him *was* * Eleazar the ſon of Dodo
hohite, *one* of the three mighty men with
, when they defied the Philiſtines *that* were
gathered together to battell, and the men
el were gone away.
He aroſe and ſmote the Philiſtines vntill his
was weary, & his hand clave vnto the ſword:
he LORD wrought a great victory that day,
the people returned after him onl. to ſpoile.
And after him *was* * Shammah the ſonne of
the Hararite: and the Philiſtines were gathered
gether | into a troope, where was a pie ce of
d full of lentiles: and the people fled from
hiliſtines.
But he ſtood in the midſt of the ground, and
ded it, and ſlew the Philiſtines: and the
D wrought a great victory.
And | three of the thirty chiefe went downe,
ame to Dauid in the harueſt time, vnto the
of Adullam: and the troope of the Philiſtines
ed in the valley of Rephaim.
And Dauid *was* then in an hold, and the ga-
of the Philiſtines *was* then in Bethlehem.
And Dauid longed, and ſaid, Oh that one
gaue me drinke of the water of the well of
hem which is by the gate.
And the three mighty men brake thorow the
of the Philiſtines, and drew water out of the
of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and tooke
brought *it* to Dauid: neuertheleſſe, hee
ld not drinke thereof, but powred it out vnto
ORD.
And he ſaid, Be it farre from me, O LORD,
ſhould doe this: *Is* not this the blood of the
that went in ieopardy of their liues? therfore
would not drinke it. These things did these
mighty men.
And * Abiſhai the brother of Ioab the ſon of
ah, was chiefe among three, and he lift vp his
againſt three hundred, † and ſlew *them*, and
name among three.
Was he not moſt honourable of three? therefore
was their captaine: howbeit, he attained
to the *firſt* three.
And Benaiah the ſon of Iehoiada, the ſonne of
mighty man of Kabzeel, † who had done many
he ſlew two † lion-like men of Moab: hee
downe alſo, and ſlew a lyon in the midſt of
a time of ſnow.
And hee ſlew an Egyptian † a goodly man:
the Egyptian had a ſpeare in his hand, but he
downe to him with a ſtaffe, and pluckt the
out of the Egyptians hand, and ſlew him
his owne ſpeare.
These things did Benaiah the ſon of Iehoiada,
d the name among three mighty men.
He was | more honourable then the thirty,
attained not to the *firſt* three: and Dauid
ſet him | guard.
* Aſahel the brother of Ioab *was* one of
rty: Elhanan the ſonne of Dodo of Beth-
lehem,
Shammah the Harodite, Elika the Harodite,
Helez the * Paltite, Ira the ſonne of Ikkeſh
the Tekoite,

27 Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Huſhathite,
28 Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,
29 Heleb the ſonne of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai, the ſonne of Ribai, out of Gibeah of the children of Beniamin,
30 Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the | brookes of Gaaſh,
31 Abialbon the Arbathite, Azmaueth the Barhumite,
32 Eliahba the Shaalbonite: of the ſonnes of Iaſhen, Ionathan,
33 Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the ſonne of Sharar the Hararite,
34 Eliphelet the ſonne of Ahaſbai, the ſon of the Maachathite, Eliam the ſonne of Ahithophel the Gilonite,
35 Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,
36 Igal the ſonne of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite,
37 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, armour-bearer to Ioab the ſonne of Zeruiah,
38 Ira an Ithrite, Gareb an Ithrite,
39 Vriah the Hittite: thirty and ſeuen in all.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 *Dauid tempted by Satan, forceth Ioab to number the people.* 5 *The captaines in nine moneths and twenty dayes bring the muſter of thirteene hundred thouſand fighting men.* 10 *Dauid hauing three plagues propounded by Gad, repenteth and chuſeth the three dayes peſtilence.* 15 *After the death of threeſcore and ten thouſand, Dauid by repentance preuenteth the deſtruction of Ieruſalem.* 18 *Dauid, by Gads direction purchaſeth Araunahs threſhing-floore, where hauing ſacrificed, the plague ſtayeth.*

AND againe the anger of the LORD was kindled againſt Iſrael, and | hee mooued Dauid againſt them, to ſay, Goe number Iſrael and Iudah.
2 For the King ſaid to Ioab the captaine of the hoſte, which *was* with him, | Goe now thorow all the tribes of Iſrael, from Dan euen to Beer-ſheba, and number yee the people, that I may know the number of the people.
3 And Ioab ſaid vnto the King, Now the LORD thy God adde vnto the people (how many ſoeuer they be) an hundred fold, and that the eyes of my lord the King may ſee it: but why doth my lord the King delight in this thing?
4 Notwithſtanding, the Kings word preuailed againſt Ioab, and againſt the captaines of the hoſt: and Ioab, and the captaines of the hoſte went out from the preſence of the King, to number the people of Iſrael.
5 ¶ And they paſſed ouer Iordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right ſide of the city, that *lyeth* in the midſt of the | riuer of Gad, and toward Iazer.
6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the | land of Tahtim-Hodſhi; and they came to Dan-laan, and about to Zidon,
7 And came to the ſtrong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hittites, and of the Canaanites: and they went out to the South of Iudah, *euen to* Beerſheba.
8 So when they had gone thorow all the land, they came to Ieruſalem at the end of nine moneths and twenty dayes.
9 And Ioab gaue vp the ſumme of the number of the people vnto the King, and there were in Iſrael eight hundred thouſand valiant men that drew the ſword: and the men of Iudah were fiue hundred thouſand men.

P. 10 ¶ And

1 Sam. *See* 1. chro. 21. 1.
Or, come paſſe.
Or, valley.
Or, nether land.
Or, newly inhabited.

10 ¶ And Dauids heart smote him after that he had numbred the people: and Dauid said vnto the LORD, I haue sinned greatly in that I haue done: and now I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy seruant, for I haue done very foolishly.

11 For when Dauid was vp in the morning, the word of the LORD came vnto the Prophet Gad, Dauids Seer, saying,

12 Goe, and say vnto Dauid, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things; chuse thee one of them, that I may doe it vnto thee.

13 So Gad came to Dauid, and told him, and said vnto him, Shall seuen yeeres of famine come vnto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flie three moneths before thine enemies while they pursue thee? or that there bee three dayes pestilence in the land? Now aduise, and see what answere I shall returne to him that sent me.

14 And Dauid said vnto Gad, I am in a great strait: let vs fall now into the hand of the LORD, (for his mercies are great) and let me not fall into the hands of man.

15 ¶ So the LORD sent a pestilence vpon Israel, from the morning euen to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan euen to Beersheba, seuenty thousand men.

16 And when the Angel stretched out his hand vpon Ierusalem to destroy it, *the LORD repented him of the euill, and said to the Angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the Angel of the LORD was by the threshing place of Araunah the Iebusite.

17 And Dauid spake vnto the LORD when hee saw the Angel that smote the people, and said, Loe, I haue sinned, and I haue done wickedly: but these sheepe, what haue they done? Let thine hand I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.

18 ¶ And Gad came that day to Dauid, and said vnto him, Goe vp, reare an Altar vnto the LORD in the threshing floore of Araunah the Iebusite.

19 And Dauid, according to the saying of Gad, went vp as the LORD commanded.

20 And Araunah looked, and saw the King and his seruants comming on toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himselfe before the King on his face vpon the ground.

21 And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the King come to his seruant? And Dauid said, To buy the threshing floore of thee, to build an Altar vnto the LORD, that the plague may bee stayed from the people.

22 And Araunah said vnto Dauid, Let my lord the king take and offer vp what seemeth good vnto him: Behold, *here be* oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments, and other instruments of the oxen for wood.

23 All these things did Araunah, as a King, giue vnto the King: and Araunah said vnto the King, The LORD thy God accept thee.

24 And the king said vnto Araunah, nay, but I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings vnto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So Dauid bought the threshing floore and the oxen, for fifty shekels of siluer.

25 And Dauid built there an Altar vnto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings, and peace offerings: so the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.

¶ THE FIRST BOOKE OF THE KINGS, commonly called, The third Booke of the Kings.

CHAP. I.

1 Abishag cherisheth Dauid in his extreame age. 5 Adonijah Dauids darling vsurpeth the Kingdome. 11 By the counsell of Nathan 15 Bathsheba moueth the King, 22 and Nathan seconds her. 28 Dauid sweareth his oath to Bathsheba. 32 Solomon by Dauids appointment being anointed King by Zadok and Nathan, the people triumph. 41 Ionathan bringing these newes, Adonijahs ghests flee. 50 Adonijah fleeing to the hornes of the Altar, vpon his good behauiour is dismissed by Solomon.

NOw King Dauid was old, *and* stricken in yeeres, and they couered him with clothes; but he gate no heat.

2 Wherefore his seruants said vnto him, †Let there beesought for my lord the King, † a young virgine, and let her stand before the King, and let her † cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosome, that my lord the King may get heat.

3 So they sought for a faire damosell through-out all the coasts of Israel, and found Abishag a Shunammite, and brought her to the King.

4 And the damosell was very faire, and cherished the King, and ministred to him: but the King knew her not.

5 ¶ Then Adonijah the sonne of Haggith exalted himselfe, saying, I will † be King: and hee prepared him charets and horsemen, and fifty men to runne before him.

6 And his father had not displeased him † at any time, in saying, Why hast thou done so? and hee also *was* a very goodly man: and she bare him after Absalom.

7 And hee † conferred with Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the Priest: and they following Adonijah, † helped *him*.

8 But Zadok the Priest, and Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, and Nathan the Prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men which *belonged* to Dauid, were not with Adonijah.

9 And Adonijah slew sheepe and oxen, and fat cattell, by the stone of Zoheleth, which *is* by Enrogel, and called all his brethren the Kings sonnes, and all the men of Iudah the Kings seruants:

10 But Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, & Solomon his brother he called not.

11 ¶ Wherefore Nathan spake vnto Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the sonne of *Haggith doth reigne, and Dauid our lord knoweth it not?

12 Now therefore come, let me, I pray thee, giue thee counsell that thou mayest † saue thine owne life, and the life of thy sonne Solomon.

13 Goe and get thee in vnto King Dauid, and say vnto him, Didst not thou, my lord, O King, sweare vnto thine handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reigne after me, and he shall sit vpon my throne? why then doth Adonijah reigne?

14 Behold, while thou yet talkest there with the King, I also will come in after thee, and confirme

1. Or, many.

1. Sam. 15. 11.

† Hebr. cherish her. † Hebr. let them seeke. † Hebr. a damosell, a virgin. † Heb. he cherisher vnto him

† Hebr. reigne. † Hebr. from his dayes.

15 ¶ And Bathsheba went in vnto the King, into
the chamber: and the King was very old, and Abi-
shag the Shunamite ministred vnto the King.
16 And Bathsheba bowed and did obeisance vn-
to the King: and the King said, † What wouldest
thou?
17 And she said vnto him, My lord, thou swarest
by the LORD thy God vnto thine handmaid, saying,
Assuredly Solomon thy sonne shall reigne after me
and he shall sit vpon my throne.
18 And now behold, Adonijah reigneth: and
now my lord the King, thou knowest it not.
19 And he hath slaine oxen, and fat cattell and
sheepe in abundance, and hath called all the sons of
the king, and Abiathar the Priest, and Ioab the cap-
taine of the hoste: but Solomon thy seruant hath
he not called.
20 And thou my lord, O king, the eies of all Israel
are vpon thee, that thou shouldest tell them who
shall sit on the throne of my lord the King after him.
21 Otherwise it shall come to passe, when my lord
the King shal sleepe with his fathers, that I and my
sonne Solomon shall be counted † offenders.
22 ¶ And loe, while she yet talked with the king,
that the Prophet Nathan also came in.
23 And they told the King, saying, Behold, Nathan
the Prophet. And when hee was come in before the
King, he bowed himself before the King, with his
face to the ground.
24 And Nathan said, My lord, O King hast thou
said, Adonijah shall reigne after mee, and he shall
sit vpon my throne?
25 For he is gone downe this day, and hath slaine
oxen and fat cattell, and sheepe in abundance, and
hath called all the Kings sonnes, and the captaines
of the hoste, and Abiathar the Priest, and behold,
they eate and drinke before him, and say, † God
saue King Adonijah.
26 But me, even me thy seruant, and Zadok the
Priest, and Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, and thy
seruant Solomon hath he not called.
27 Is this thing done by my lord the King, & thou
hast not shewed it vnto thy seruant, who should sit
in the throne of my lord the King after him?
28 ¶ Then King Dauid answered, and said, Call
me Bathsheba. And she came † into the Kings pre-
sence, and stood before the King.
29 And the King sware, & said, As the LORD li-
ueth, that hath redeemed my soule out of all distresse,
30 Euen as I sware vnto thee by the LORD God of
Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy sonne shall
reigne after me, and he shall sit vpon my throne in
my stead, euen so will I certainely doe this day.
31 Then Bathsheba bowed with her face to the
earth, and did reuerence to the King, and said, Let
my lord King Dauid liue for euer.
32 ¶ And King Dauid said, Call mee Zadok the
Priest, and Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah the
sonne of Iehoiada. And they came before the King.
33 The King also said vnto them, Take with you
the seruants of your lord, and cause Solomon my
sonne to ride vpon mine owne mule, and bring him
down to Gihon.
34 And let Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the
Prophet, anoynt him there king ouer Israel: and
blow ye with the trumpet, and say, † God saue King
Solomon.
35 Then ye shall come vp after him, that he may
come and sit vpon my throne; for he shall be king
in my stead: and I haue appointed him to be ruler
ouer Israel, and ouer Iudah.
36 And Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada answered
the King, and said, Amen: The LORD God of
my lord the king say so too.
37 As the LORD hath been with my lord the king
euen so be he with Solomon, and make his throne
greater then the throne of my lord King Dauid.
38 So Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the Pro-
phet, and Benaiah the son of Iehoiada, and the Che-
rethites, and the Pelethites went downe, and caused
Solomon to ride vpon King Dauids mule, and
brought him to Gihon.
39 And Zadok the Priest tooke an horne of oyle
out of the Tabernacle, and anointed Solomon: and
they blew the trumpet, and all the people said, God
saue King Solomon.
40 And all the people came vp after him, and the
people piped with pipes, and reioyced with great
ioy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them.
41 ¶ And Adonijah and all the ghests that were
with him heard it, as they had made an end of eat-
ing: and when Ioab heard the sound of the trum-
pet, he said, Wherefore is this noise of the city, be-
ing in an vproare?
42 And while he yet spake, behold, Ionathan the
sonne of Abiathar the Priest came, and Adonijah
said vnto him, Come in, for thou art a valiant man,
and bringest good tidings.
43 And Ionathan answered, and said to Adoni-
jah, Verely our lord King Dauid hath made So-
lomon King.
44 And the King hath sent with him, Zadok the
Priest, and Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah the
sonne of Iehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pe-
lethites, and they haue caused him to ride vpon the
Kings mule.
45 And Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the Prophet
haue anoynted him king in Gihon: and they are
come vp from thence reioycing, so that the city
rang againe: this is the noise that ye haue heard.
46 And also Solomon sitteth on the throne of
the kingdome.
47 And moreouer, the Kings seruants came to
blesse our lord King Dauid, saying, God make the
name of Solomon better then thy name, and make
his throne greater then thy throne. And the King
bowed himself vpon the bed.
48 And also thus said the King, Blessed bee the
LORD God of Israel, which hath giuen one to sit on
my throne this day, mine eyes euen seeing it.
49 And all the guests that were with Adonijah,
were afraid, & rose vp, & went euery man his way.
50 ¶ And Adonijah feared because of Solomon,
and arose, and went and caught hold on the hornes
of the Altar.
51 And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold,
Adonijah feareth King Solomon: for loe, he hath
caught hold on the hornes of the Altar, saying, Let
King Solomon sweare vnto me to day, that he will
not slay his seruant with the sword.
52 And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a
worthy man, there shall not an haire of him fall to
the earth: but if wickednes shall be found in him,
he shall die.
53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him
downe from the Altar, and hee came and bowed
himself to King Solomon: And Solomon said vn-
to him, Goe to thine house.

CHAP. II.

1 *Dauid hauing giuen a charge to Solomon.* 3 *of religion set forth,* 5 *of Ioab,* 7 *of Barzillai,* 8 *of Shemei,* 10 *dyeth.* 12 *Solomon succeedeth.* 13 *Adonijah mouing Bathsheba to sue vnto Solomon for Abishag, is put to death.* 26 *Abiathar hauing his life*

‖ Or, flutes.

giuen him, is deprined of the Priesthood. 28 Ioab fleeing to the horues of the Altar is there slaine. 35 Benaiah is put in Ioabs roome, and Zadok in Abiathars. 36 Shimei confined to Ierusalem, by occasion of going thence to Gath, is put to death.

NOw the dayes of Dauid drew nigh, that he should die, and hee charged Solomon his sonne, saying,

2 I goe the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and shew thy selfe a man.

3 And keep the charge of the LORD thy God to walke in his wayes, to keepe his Statutes, *and* his Commandements, and his iudgements, and his Testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses; that thou mayest * prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoeuer thou turnest thy selfe:

* Dt.9. 29. & Iosh.1.7.

† *Or, doe wisely.*

4 That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, if thy children take heed to their way, to walke before me in trueth, with all their heart, and with all their soule, * there shall not † faile thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel.

* 2.Sam. 7.12.

† *Hebr. be cut off from thee from the throne*

5 Moreouer, thou knowest also what Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah did to me, *and* what hee did to the two captaines of the hostes of Israel, vnto * Abner the sonne of Ner, and vnto * Amasa the sonne of Ether, whom hee slew, and † shed the bloud of warre in peace, and put the bloud of warre vpon his girdle, that *was* about his loynes, and in his shooes that *were* on his feet.

*2.Sam. 3.27.

* 2.Sam. 20.10.

† *Hebr. put.*

6 Doe therefore according to thy wisdome, & let not his hoare head go downe to the graue in peace.

7 But shew kindnes vnto the sonnes of * Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them bee of those that eat at thy table: for so they came to mee, when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.

* 2.Sam. 19.31.

8 And behold, thou *hast* with thee * Shimei the son of Gera, a Beniamite of Bahurim, which cursed me with a † grieuous curse, in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but he came downe to meet mee at Iordan, and I sware to him by the LORD, saying, * I will not put thee to death with the sword.

* 2.Sam. 16.5.

† *Hebr. strong.*

* 2. Sam. 19.23.

9 Now therefore hold him not guiltlesse, for thou *art* a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to doe vnto him: but his hoare head bring thou downe to the graue with bloud.

10 So * Dauid slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of Dauid.

* Acts 2.29. & 13.36.

11 And the dayes that Dauid * reigned ouer Israel, *were* fourty yeeres: seuen yeeres reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three yeeres reigned he in Ierusalem.

* 2.Sam. 5.4. 1.chro.29 26.27.

12 ¶ * Then sate Solomon vpon the throne of Dauid his father, and his kingdome was stablished greatly.

*2.Chro. 29.23.

13 ¶ And Adonijah the sonne of Haggith came to Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, and shee said, Commest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.

14 He said moreouer, I haue somewhat to say vnto thee. And she said, Say on.

15 And hee said, Thou knowest that the kingdome was mine, and that all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reigne: howbeit the kingdome is turned about, and is become my brothers: for it was his from the LORD.

† *Hebr. turned or was* 16 And now I aske one petition of thee, † deny me not. And she said vnto him, Say on.

17 And he said, Speake, I pray thee, vnto Solomon the King (for he will not say thee nay) that he giue me Abishag the Shunammite to wife.

away. 17 facto.

18 And Bathsheba said, Well, I will speake for thee vnto the King.

19 ¶ Bathsheba therefore went vnto king Solomon to speake vnto him for Adonijah: and the King rose vp to meet her, & bowed himselfe vnto her, and sate downe on his throne, and caused a seat to be set for the Kings mother, and she sate on his right hand.

20 Then she said, I desire one small petition of thee, I pray thee say me not nay: And the King said vnto her, Aske on, my mother, for I will not say thee nay.

21 And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be giuen to Adonijah thy brother to wife.

22 And king Solomon answered, and said vnto his mother, And why doest thou aske Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? Aske for him the kingdome also: for he *is* mine elder brother; yea, for him, and for Abiathar the Priest, and for Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah.

23 Then King Solomon sware by the LORD, saying, God doe so to me, and more also, if Adonijah haue not spoken this word against his owne life.

24 Now therefore as the LORD liueth, which hath established me, and set me on the throne of Dauid my father, and who hath made me an house, as he promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day.

25 And King Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, & he fell vpon him that he died.

26 ¶ And vnto Abiathar the Priest, said the King, Get thee to Anathoth, vnto thine owne fields, for thou *art* † worthy of death: but I will not at this time put thee to death, because thou barest the Arke of the Lord GOD before Dauid my father, and because thou hast been afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted.

27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being Priest vnto the LORD: that he might * fulfill the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.

28 ¶ Then tidings came to Ioab (for Ioab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom) and Ioab fled vnto the Tabernacle of the LORD, and caught hold on the hornes of the Altar.

29 And it was told King Solomon that Ioab was fled vnto the Tabernacle of the LORD, and behold, he *is* by the Altar: Then Solomon sent Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, saying, Goe fall vpon him.

30 And Benaiah came to the Tabernacle of the LORD, and said vnto him, Thus saith the King, Come forth. And he said, Nay, but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the King word again, saying, Thus said Ioab, and thus he answered me.

31 And the King said vnto him, Doe as he hath said, and fall vpon him, and bury him, that thou mayest take away the innocent bloud which Ioab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.

32 And the LORD shall return his bloud vpon his owne head, who fell vpon two men more righteous and better then hee, and slew them with the sword, my father Dauid not knowing thereof, *to wit,* Abner the sonne of Ner, captaine of the hoste of Israel, and * Amasa the son of Iether, captaine of the hoste of Iudah.

33 Their bloud shall therefore return vpon the head of Ioab, and vpon the head of his seed for euer: but vpon Dauid, and vpon his seed, and vpon his house, and vpon his throne, shall there be peace for euer from the LORD.

34 So Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada went vp, and fell vpon him, and slew him: and he was buried in his owne house in the wildernesse.

35 ¶ And the King put Benaiah the son of Iehoiada in his roome ouer the hoste, and Zadok the Priest did the King put in the roome of Abiathar.

36 ¶ And the King sent, & called for Shimei

vnto him, Build thee an house in Ierusalem, and
ll there, and goe not forth thence any whither.
For it shall be, that on the day thou goest
nd passest ouer the brooke Kidron, thou shalt
for certaine, that thou shalt surely die: thy
d shall be vpon thine owne head.
And Shimei said vnto the King, The saying
od: as my lord the king hath said, so will thy
nt do. And Shimei dwelt in Ierusalem many

nd it came to passe at the end of three yeeres,
wo of the seruants of Shimei ran away vnto
s son of Maachah king of Gath; and they told
ying, Behold, thy seruants be in Gath.
And Shimei arose, and sadled his asse & went
ath to Achish to seeke his seruants: and Shi-
went and brought his seruants from Gath.
And it was told Solomon, that Shimei had
from Ierusalem to Gath, and was come againe.
And the king sent and called for Shimei, and
nto him, Did I not make thee to sweare by
ORD, and protested vnto thee, saying, Know
certaine, that on the day thou goest out, and
st abroad any whither, that thou shalt surely
And thou saidest vnto me, The word that I
eard, is good.
Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the
and the commandement that I haue charged
ath?
The king said moreouer to Shimei, Thou
ow all the wickednesse which thine heart is
ware that thou didst to Dauid my father; there-
e LORD shall returne thy wickednesse vpon
owne head.
And King Solomon shall be blessed, and the
e of Dauid shall be established before the
e for euer.
So the king cõmanded Benaiah the son of Iehoi-
ada, which went out, & fell vpon him ỹ he died, and
e kingdom was established in ỹ hand of Solomon.

CHAP. III.

Solomon marrieth Pharaohs daughter. 2 High places in vse, Solomon sacrificeth at Gibeon. 5 God appeareth vnto him in Gibeon in the choise which God gaue him, offering wisedome, obtaineth wisedome, riches, and honour. 16 Solomons iudgement betweene two harlots maketh him renowned.

1 *Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and tooke Pharaohs daughter, and brought her into the city of Dauid, vntill he had made an end of building his owne house, and the house of the LORD, and the wall of Ierusalem round about.
2 Only the people sacrificed in high places, because there was no house built vnto the Name of the LORD vntill those dayes.
3 And Solomon loued the LORD, walking in the statutes of Dauid his father: onely he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.
4 And the King went to Gibeon, to sacrifice there: for that was the great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer vpon that Altar.
5 In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dreame by night: and God said, Aske what I shall giue thee.
6 And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed vnto thy seruant Dauid my father great ‖ mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth and in righteousnesse, and in vprightnesse of heart with thee: and thou hast kept for him this great kindnesse, that thou hast giuen him a sonne to sit on his throne, as it is this day.

7 And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy seruant King in stead of Dauid my father: and I am but a little childe: I know not how to goe out, or come in.
8 And thy seruant *is* in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbred, nor counted for multitude.
9 * Giue therefore thy seruant an † vnderstanding heart to iudge thy people, that I may discerne betweene good and bad: for who is able to iudge this thy so great a people?
10 And the speech pleased the LORD that Solomon had asked this thing.
11 And God said vnto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thy selfe, † long life, neither hast asked riches for thy selfe, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies, but hast asked for thy selfe vnderstanding † to discerne iudgement;
12 Behold, I haue done according to thy word: loe, I haue giuen thee a wise and an vnderstanding heart, so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like vnto thee.
13 And I haue also * giuen thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches and honour: so that there shall not be any among the Kings like vnto thee, all thy dayes.
14 And if thou wilt walke in my wayes, to keepe my Statutes, & my Commandements, * as thy father Dauid did walke, then I will lengthen thy dayes.
15 And Solomon awoke, and behold *it was* a dreame: and he came to Ierusalem, & stood before the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, and offered vp burnt offerings: and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his seruants.
16 ¶ Then came there two women that were harlots, vnto the King, and stood before him.
17 And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house, and I was deliuered of a child with her in the house.
18 And it came to passe the third day after that I was deliuered, that this woman was deliuered also: and we *were* together, there *was* no stranger with vs in the house, saue we two in the house.
19 And this womans child died in the night because she ouer-laid it.
20 And shee arose at midnight, and tooke my son from beside me, while thine hand-maid slept, and laid it in her bosome, and laide her dead child in my bosome.
21 And when I arose in the morning to giue my child sucke, behold it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son which I did beare.
22 And the other woman said, Nay, but the liuing *is* my sonne, and the dead *is* thy sonne: And this said, No, but the dead is thy sonne, and the liuing is my sonne. Thus they spake before the King.
23 Then said the King, The one saith, This *is* my sonne that liueth, and thy sonne *is* the dead: and the other saith, Nay, but thy sonne *is* the dead, and my sonne *is* the liuing.
24 And the King said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the King.
25 And the king said, Diuide the liuing childe in two, and giue halfe to the one, and halfe to the other.
26 Then spake the woman whose the liuing child † *was* vnto the King, (for her bowels † yerned vpon her son) and she said, O my lord, giue her the liuing child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, but diuide it.
27 Then the King answered, and said, Giue her the

the liuing child, for she *is* the mother thereof.

† *Hebr. in the midst of him.*

28 And all Israel heard of the iudgement which the King had iudged, and they feared the King: for they saw that the wisedome of God *was* † in him to doe iudgement.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Solomons Princes. 7 His twelue Officers for prouision. 20. 24 The peace and largenesse of his kingdome. 22 His daily prouision. 26 His stables. 29 His wisedome.

SO King Solomon was King ouer all Israel.

2 And these *were* the Princes which he had, ‖*Or, the chiefe officer.* Azariah the sonne of Zadok ‖ the Priest,

3 Elihoreph, and Ahia the sonnes of Shisha, ‖ Scribes: Iehoshaphat the sonne of Ahilud, the ‖*Or, Secretaries.* Recorder;

4 And Benaiah the son of Iehoiada *was* ouer the hoste: and Zadok and Abiathar *were* the Priests:

‖*Or, Remembrancer.* 5 And Azariah the sonne of Nathan, *was* ouer the Officers: and Zabud the son of Nathan *was* principall Officer, *and* the Kings friend.

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6 And Ahishar was ouer the household: and *Adoniram the son of Abda was ouer the ‖*Or, levy.* tribute.

7 ¶ And Solomon had twelue Officers ouer all Israel, which prouided victuails for the King, and his household, each man his moneth in a yeere made prouision.

‖*Or. Benhur.* 8 And these are their names: ‖ the son of Hur in mount Ephraim.

‖*Or, Bendekar.* 9 The ‖ sonne of Dekar in Makaz and in Shaalbim, and Bethshemesh, and Elon-Bethhanan.

‖*Or, Ben-Hesed.* 10 The ‖ sonne of Hesed in Aruboth, *to him pertained* Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher:

‖*Or, Ben-Abinadab.* 11 The ‖ sonne of Abinadab in all the region of Dor, which had Taphath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

12 Baana the son of Ahilud, *to him pertained* Taanach & Megiddo, & all Bethshean, which *is* by Zartanah beneath Iezreel, from Bethshean to Abel-Mehola, euen vnto *the place that is* beyond Iokneam:

‖*Or, Ben-Geber.* 13 The ‖ son of Geber in Ramoth-Gilead, to him *pertained* the townes of Iair the son of Manasseh, which *are* in Gilead: to him *also pertained* the region of Argob, which *is* in Bashan, threescore great cities, with walls and brasen barres.

‖*Or, to Mahanaim.* 14 Ahinadab the son of Iddo, *had* ‖ Mahanaim.

15 Ahimaaz *was* in Naphtali; he also tooke Basmath the daughter of Solomon to wife.

16 Baanah the sonne of Hushai *was* in Asher, and in Aloth:

17 Iehoshaphat the son of Parnah in Issachar:

18 Shimei the son of Elah in Beniamin:

19 Geber the son of Vri *was* in the country of Gilead, *in the country* of Sihon King of the Amorites, and of Og King of Bashan: and hee *was* the ouely officer which *was* in the land.

20 ¶ Iudah and Israel *were* many, as the sand which is by the sea in multitude, eating and drinking, and making merrie.

*Eccles. 47.15.

21 And *Solomon reigned ouer all kingdomes, from the riuer vnto the land of the Philistines, and vnto the border of Egypt: they brought presents, and serued Solomon, all the dayes of his life.

†*Hebr. bread.* †*Hebr. 600.*

22 ¶ And Solomons † prouision for one day was thirty measures of fine flour, and threescore † measures of meale,

23 Ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheepe, besides Harts, and Roe buckes, and fallow Deere, and fatted foule.

24 And hee had dominion ouer all *the region* on this side the riuer, from Tiphsah euen vnto Azzah, ouer all the Kings on this side the riuer: and he had peace on all sides round about him.

25 And Iudah and Israel dwelt safely, euery man vnder his vine, and vnder his figgetree, from Dan euen to Beersheba, all the dayes of Solomon.

26 ¶ And *Solomon had fourty thousand stalles of horses for his charets, and twelue thousand horsemen.

27 And those officers prouided victuall for King Solomon, and for all that came vnto king Solomons table, euery man in his moneth: they lacked nothing.

28 Barley also and straw for the horses and dromedaries, brought they vnto the place where the officers were euery man according to his charge.

29 ¶ And * God gaue Solomon wisedome and vnderstanding, exceeding much, and large nesse of heart, euen as the sand that is on the Sea shore.

30 And Solomons wisedome excelled the wisedome of all the children of the East countrey, and all the wisedome of Egypt.

31 For hee was wiser then all men; then Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda the sonnes of Mahol: and his fame was in all nations round about.

32 And he spake three thousand Prouerbes: and his songs were a thousand and fiue.

33 And hee spake of trees, from the Cedar tree that *is* in Lebanon, euen vnto the Hisope that springeth out of the wall: hee spake also of beasts, and of foule, and of creeping things, and of fishes.

34 And there came of all people to heare the wisedome of Solomon, from all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisedome.

CHAP. V.

1 Hiram sending to congratulate Solomons aduancement, is satisfied of his purpose to build the Temple, and vsed to furnish him with timber thereto. 7 He, blessing God for Solomon, an ingrate, for which family furnisheth him with trees. 13 Three of Solomons men beome taskmasters.

AND Hiram King of Tyre sent his seruants to Solomon: (for he had heard that they had anointed him King in the roome of his father: for Hiram was euer a louer of Dauid.

2 And * Solomon sent to Hiram, saying,

3 Thou knowest how that Dauid my father could not build an house vnto the Name of the LORD his God, for the warres which were about him on euery side, vntill the LORD put them vnder the soles of his feet.

4 But now the LORD my God hath giuen me rest on euery side, so that there is neither aduersary nor euill occurrent.

5 And behold, I † purpose to build an house vnto the Name of the LORD my God, * as the LORD spake vnto Dauid my father, saying, Thy sonne whom I will set vpon thy throne in thy roome, he shall build an house vnto my Name.

6 Now therefore command thou that they hew me Cedar trees out of Lebanon, and my seruants shall be with thy seruants: and vnto thee will I giue hire for thy seruants, according to all that thou shalt † appoint: for thou knowest that there is not among vs any that can skill to hew timber like vnto the Sidonians.

7 ¶ And it came to passe, when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that he reioyced greatly, and said, Blessed be the LORD this day, which hath giuen vnto Dauid a wise sonne ouer this great people.

8 And Hiram sent to Solomon, saying, I haue † considered the things which thou sentest

...I will do all thy desire concerning timber of ...ar, and concerning timber of Firre.
...My servants shall bring *them* downe from Le...non vnto the sea: and I will conuey them by sea ...peces, vnto the place that thou shalt † appoint ...and will cause them to be discharged there, ...thou shalt receiue *them*: & thou shalt accom...plish my desire, in giuing food for my household.
So Hiram gaue Solomon Cedar trees and ...re trees, according to all his desire.
And Solomon gaue Hiram twenty thousand ...asures of wheat for food to his household, and ...enty measures of pure oile: thus gaue Solomon ...Hiram yeere by yeere.
And the LORD gaue Solomon wisedome, ...he promised him: and there was peace between ...m and Solomon, and they two made a league ...ether.
¶ And King Solomon raised a † leuie out of ...Israel, and the leuie was thirty thousand men.
And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand ...eeth by courses: a moneth they were in Leba...non, and two moneths at home: and * Adoniram ...was ouer the leuie.
And Solomon had threescore and ten thou...sand that bare burdens, and fourescore thousand ...hewers in the mountaines:
Beside the chiefe of Solomons officers which ...were ouer the worke, three thousand and three ...hundred which ruled ouer the people that wrought ...in the worke.
And the King commanded, and they brought ...great stones, costly stones, *and* hewed stones, to lay ...the foundation of the house.
And Solomons builders, and Hirams builders ...did hew them: and the ‖ stone-squarers: so they p...red timber and stones to build the house.

CHAP. VI.

The building of Solomons Temple. 5 *The chamb...bers of.* 11 *Gods promise vnto it.* 15 *The sie...ling and adorning of it.* 23 *The Cherubims.* 31 *The do...res.* 36 *The Court.* 37 *The time of building it.*

...Nd it came to passe in the foure hundred ...and fourescore yeere, after the children of ...Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the ...fourth yeere of Solmons reigne ouer Israel, in the ...moneth Zif, which *is* the second moneth, that he ...began to build the house of the LORD.
And the house which King Solomon built for ...the LORD, the length thereof *was* threescore cu...bits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubites, and ...the height thereof thirty cubites.
And the porch before the Temple of the house, ...twenty cubites *was* the length thereof, according ...to the breadth of the house, and ten cubites *was* ...the breadth thereof before the house.
And for the house he made ‖ windowes of nar...row lights.
¶ And against the wall of the house, he built ...chambers round about: *against* the wals of the ...house round about, *both* of the Temple, and of the ...oracle: and he made † chambers round about.
The nethermost chamber *was* fiue cubites ...broad, and the middle *was* six cubites broad, and ...the third *was* seuen cubites broad: for without in ...the wall of the house he made † narrowed rests ...round about, that *the beames* should not be faste...ned in the wals of the house.
And the house when it was in building, was ...built of stone, made ready before it was brought ...thither: so that there was neither hammer nor axe, ...nor any tole of yron heard in the house while it ...was in building.

8 The doore for the middle chamber *was* in the right † side of the house: and they went vp with winding staires into the middle *chamber*, and out of the middle into the third. † *Heb. shoulder*

9 So he built the house, and finished it: and co...uered the house ‖ with beames and boards of Cedar. ‖ *Or, the vault*

10 And then he built chambers against all the house, fiue cubites high: and they rested on the house with timber of Cedar. *beames, and the sidings with Cedar.*

11 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Solomon, saying,

12 Concerning this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walke in my Statutes, & execute my iudgements, and keepe all my Commandements to walke in them: then will I perfome my Word with thee, * which I spake vnto Dauid thy father. * 2 Sam. 7.13.

13 And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not forsake my people Israel. 1 Chron. 22.10.

14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.

15 And he built the walles of the house within with boards of Cedar, both the floore of the house, and the walles of the sieling: and he couered *them* on the inside with wood, and couered the floore of the house, with plankes of Firre.

16 And hee built twenty cubites on the sides of the house, both ‖ floore and the walles with boards of Cedar: he euen built *them* for it within, *euen* for the most holy place. ‖ *Or, from the floore of the house vnto the wals. Or* And so verse. 16.

17 And the house that is the Temple, before it, was fourty cubites *long*.

18 And the Cedar of the house within was carued with ‖ knops and † open flowres: all *was* Cedar, there was no stone seene. ‖ *Or, gourds.* † *Heb. openings of flowres.*

19 And the Oracle hee prepared in the house within, to set there the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD.

20 And the oracle in the forepart was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth and twenty cubites in the height thereof: and hee ouerlaid it with † pure golde, and so couered the Altar *which was* of Cedar. † *Heb. fine vp.*

21 So Solomon ouerlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chaines of gold before the Oracle, & he ouerlaid it with gold.

22 And the whole house he ouerlaid with gold vntill he had finished all the house: also the whole Altar that *was* by the Oracle, he ouerlaid with gold.

23 ¶ And within the Oracle he made two Cherubims of ‖ Oliue tree, *each* ten cubites high. ‖ *Or, oile, heb. tree of oyle.*

24 And fiue cubites *was* the one wing of the Cherub, and fiue cubites the other wing of the Cherub: from the vttermost part of the one wing vnto the vttermost part of the other, were ten cubites.

25 And the other Cherub was ten cubites: both the Cherubim were of one measure, and one size.

26 The height of the one Cherub *was* ten cubites, and so *was it* of the other Cherub.

27 And he set the Cherubims within the inner house: and * they stretched forth the wings of the Cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other Cherub touched the other wall: and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house. * *Exod. 25.20. Or, the Cherubims stretched fourth their wings.*

28 And he ouerlaid the Cherubims with gold.

29 And he carued all the walles of the house round about with carued figures of Cherubims, & palme trees and † open flowres within and without.

30 And the floore of the house he ouerlaid with gold within and without. † *Heb. openings of flowres.*

31 ¶ And for the entring of the Oracle he made doores of Olme tree: the lintell *and* side posts *were* ‖ a fift part *of the wall*. ‖ *Or, a fiue square.*

‖Or, leaues of the doores. † Hebr. openings of flowres ‖Or, foure square.

31 The ‖ two doores also were of Olive tree, and he carued vpon them carued workes of Cherubims, and palme trees, and † open flowres, and ouerlaid them with gold, and spread gold vpon the Cherubims, and vpon the palme trees.

33 So also made he for the doore of the Temple, postes of Olive tree ‖ a fourth part of the wall.

34 And the two doores were of firre tree: the two leaues of the one doore were folding, and the two leaues of the other doore were folding.

35 And he carued therein Cherubims, and palme trees, and open flowers: and couered them with gold, fitted vpon the carued worke.

‖Or, with all the appurtenances thereof, and with all the ordinances thereof.

36 ¶ And hee built the inner court with three rowes of hewed stone, and a row of Cedar beames.

37 ¶ In the fourth yeere was the foundation of the house of the LORD laid, in the moneth Zif.

38 And in the eleuenth yere, in the moneth Bul, (which is the eight moneth) was the house finished ‖ throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it: So was he seuen yeeres in building it.

CHAP. VII.

1 The buildings of Solomons house. 2 Of the house of Lebanon. 6 Of the porch of pillars. 7 Of the porch of Iudgement. 8 Of the house for Pharaohs daughter. 13 Hirams worke of the two pillars. 23 Of the molten Sea, 27 Of the ten bases. 38 Of the ten Lauers, 40 and all the vessels.

*Chap. 6. 10.

BVt Solomon was building his owne house *thirteen yeres, and he finished all his house.

2 ¶ He built also the house of the forrest of Lebanon the length thereof, was an hundred cubites, and the breadth thereof fifty cubites, & the height thereof thirtie cubites, vpon foure rowes of Cedar pillars, with Cedar beames vpon the pillars.

3 And it was couered with Cedar aboue, vpon the † beames that lay on fourtie fiue pillars, fifteene in a row.

† Hebr. ribbes.

4 And there were windowes in three rowes, and † light was against light in three rankes.

† Hebr. sight against sight.

5 And all the ‖ doores and postes were square, with the windowes, and light was against light in three rankes.

‖Or, frames and pillars were square in prospect.

6 ¶ And he made a porch of pillars, the length thereof was fiftie cubites, and the breadth thereof thirtie cubits: & the porch was ‖ before them, & the other pillars, & the thick beame were ‖ before them.

7 ¶ Then he made a porch for the throne where he might iudge, euen the porch of Iudgement: and it was couered with Cedar from † one side of the floore to the other.

‖Or, according to them. † Hebr. from floore to floore.

8 ¶ And his house where he dwelt had another court within the porch, which was of the like worke: Solomon made also an house for Pharaohs daughter, (*whom hee had taken to wife) like vnto this porch.

*Chap. 3. 1.

9 All these were of costly stones, according to the measures of hewed stones, sawed with saws within & without, euen from the foundation vnto the coping: & so on the out side toward the great court.

10 And the foundation was of costly stones, euen great stones, stones of ten cubites, and stones of eight cubites.

11 And aboue were costly stones (after the measures of hewed stones) and Cedars.

12 And the great court round about was with three rowes of hewed stones, and a row of Cedar beames, both for the inner court of the house of the LORD, and for the porch of the house.

13 ¶ And king Solomon sent, and fet Hiram out of Tyre.

14 He was † a widowes son of the tribe of Nephtali, and his father was a man of Tyre, a worker in brasse, & he was filled with wisdom and vnderstanding & cunning to work all works in brasse. And he came to King Solomon, and wrought all his worke.

15 For † he cast two pillars of brasse of eighteene cubites high a piece: and a line of twelue cubites did compasse either of them about.

16 And he made two chapiters of molten brasse, to set vpon the tops of the pillars: the height of the one chapiter was fiue cubites, and the height of the other chapiter was fiue cubites:

17 And nets of checker-worke, and wreathen chain worke, for the chapiters which were vpon the top of the pillars: seuen for the one chapiter, and seuen for the other chapiter.

18 And he made the pillars, and two rowes round about vpon the one net-worke, to couer the chapiters that were vpon the top, with pomegranates: and so did he for the other chapiter.

19 And the chapiters that were vpon the top of the pillars, were of lilly-worke in the porch, foure cubites.

20 And the chapiters vpon the two pillars had pomegranates also aboue ouer against the belly which was by the net-worke: and the pomegranats were two hundred in rowes round about vpon the other chapiter.

21 *And he set vp the pillars in the porch of the Temple: and he set vp the right pillar, and called the name thereof ‖ Iachin: and hee set vp the left pillar, and called the name thereof ‖ Boaz.

22 And vpon the top of the pillars was lily worke: so was the worke of the pillars finished.

23 ¶ And he made a molten Sea, ten cubites from the one brim to the other: it was round all about, and his height was fiue cubits: and a line of thirtie cubites did compasse it round about.

24 And vnder the brim of it round about there were knops compassing it, ten in a cubite, the knops compassing the Sea round about: the knops were cast in two rowes when it was cast.

25 It stood vpon twelue oxen, three looking toward the North, & three looking toward the West, & three looking toward the South, & three looking toward the East: and the sea was set above vpon them, and all their hinder parts were inward.

26 And it was an hand-breadth thicke, and the brim thereof was wrought like the brim of a cup, with flowers of lillies: it contained two thousand bathes.

27 ¶ And he made ten bases of brasse; foure cubites was the length of one base, and foure cubites the breadth thereof, and three cubites the height of it.

28 And the worke of the bases was on this manner: they had borders, and the borders were between the ledges:

29 And on the borders that were between the ledges, were lions, oxen, and cherubims: and vpon the ledges there was a base aboue: and beneath the lions and oxen were certaine additions made of thin worke.

30 And euery base had foure brazen wheeles, and plates of brasse: and the foure corners thereof had vndersetters: vnder the lauer were vndersetters molten at the side of euery addition.

31 And the mouth of it within the chapiter and aboue, was a cubite: but the mouth thereof was round after the worke of the base, a cubite and a halfe: and also vpon the mouth of it were gauings with their borders, foure square, not round.

32 And vnder the borders were foure wheeles,

ers.

a axle trees of the wheeles *were* † ioyned to
se, and the height of a wheele *was* a cubite,
lfe a cubite.
And the worke of the wheeles *was* like the
rke of a chariot wheele: their axle trees, and
ellies, and their felloes, and their spokes *were*
ken.
And *there were* foure vndersetters to the
rners of one base: and the vndersetters
e of the very base it selfe.
And in the top of the base *was there* a round
ffe of halfe a cubite high: and on the top of
e the ledges thereof, and the borders there-
e of the same.
For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and
borders thereof, he graued Cherubims, lions,
lme trees, according to the † proportion of
ch, and additions round about.
After this maner hee made the ten bases: all
m had one casting, one measure and one size.
Then made he ten lauers of brasse, one lauer
ld fourtie bathes: *and* euery lauer was
cubites, *and* vpon euery one of the ten bases,
er.
And he put fiue bases on the right † side of the
se, and fiue on the left side of the house: and
e Sea on the right side of the house East-
ard ouer against the South.
And Hiram made the lauers, and the sho-
s, and the basons: So Hiram made an end of do-
g the worke that he made King Solomon for
e house of the LORD.
The two pillars, and the *two* bowles of the
ps that *were* on the top of the two pillars:
d the two net-works, to couer the two bowles of
e pitters which were vpon ỹ top of ỹ pillars:
d foure hundred Pomegranates for the two
tworks, *euen* two rowes of pomegranates for
e network, to couer the two bowles of the
ps, that *were* † vpon the pillars:
d the ten bases, & ten lauers on the bases,
d one Sea, and twelue oxen vnder the Sea.
d the pots, and the shouels, and the basons:
d these vessels which Hiram made to King
lomon for the house of the LORD, *were* of
ght brasse.
In the plaine of Iordan did the King cast them
clay ground, betweene Succoth & Zarthan.
d Solomon left all the vessels *vnweighed*,
cause they were exceeding many: *neither* was
e weight of the brasse found out.
d Solomon made all the vessels that *pertai-*
ned to the house of the LORD: the Altar of gold,
e table of gold, whereupon ỹ Shewbread *was*;
d the candlesticks of pure gold, fiue on the
ght, and fiue on the left, before ỹ Oracle with
eir flowers, and the lampes, and the tongs of gold,
d the bowles, and the snuffers, and the ba-
ns, and the † censers of pure gold:
d hinges of gold, *both* for the doores of the
ner house, the most holy place, *and* for the doores
the house, *to wit*, of the Temple.
So was ended all the worke that King Solo-
on made for the house of the LORD: and Solo-
on brought in the † things *which* Dauid his fa-
er had dedicated, *euen* the siluer, and the gold,
d the vessels did hee put among the treasures of
e house of the LORD.

CHAP. VIII.

The feast of the dedication of the Temple: 12 *Solomons blessing.* 22 *Solomons prayer.* 63 *Sacrifice of peace offerings.*

THen *Solomon assembled the Elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the † chiefe of the fathers of the children of Israel, vnto King Solomon in Ierusalem, that they might bring vp the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, out of the citie of Dauid, which is Zion.

2 And all the men of Israel assembled themselues vnto King Solomon at the feast, in the moneth Ethanim, which is the seuenth moneth.

3 And all the Elders of Israel came, and the Priests tooke vp the Arke.

4 And they brought vp the Arke of the LORD, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the Tabernacle, euen those did the Priests and the Leuites bring vp.

5 And King Solomon, and all the Congregation of Israel that were assembled vnto him, *were* with him before the Arke, sacrificing sheep, and oxen, that could not be told nor numbred for multitude.

6 And the Priests brought in the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD vnto his place, into the Oracle of the house, to the most holy place, euen vnder the wings of the Cherubims.

7 For the Cherubims spread foorth *their* two wings ouer the place of the Arke, & the Cherubims couered the Arke, and the staues thereof aboue.

8 And they drew out the staues that the † *ends* of the staues were seene out in the ‖ holy place before the Oracle, and they were not seene without: and there they are vnto this day.

9 There was nothing in the Arke, *saue the two Tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb, ‖ when the LORD made a couenant with ỹ children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt.

10 And it came to passe when the Priests were come out of the holy place, that the cloud * filled the house of the LORD:

11 So that the Priests could not stand to minister, because of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of the LORD.

12 ¶ Then spake Solomon, The LORD *said that he would dwell in the thicke darkenesse.

13 I haue surely built thee an house to dwell in, a setled place for thee to abide in for euer.

14 And the king turned his face about, and blessed all the Congregation of Israel, (and all the Congregation of Israel stood.)

15 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which spake with his mouth vnto Dauid my father, and hath with his hand fulfilled *it*, saying,

16 Since the day that I brought forth my people Israel out of Egypt, I chose no citie out of all the tribes of Israel to build an house, that my Name might be therein: but I chose * Dauid to be ouer my people Israel.

17 And it was in the heart of Dauid my father to build an house for the Name of the LORD God of Israel.

18 And the LORD said vnto Dauid my father, Whereas it was in thine heart to build an house vnto my Name, thou diddest well that it was in thine heart.

19 Nenertheless, thou shalt not build the house, but thy son that shal come forth out of thy loynes, he shall build the house vnto my Name.

20 And the LORD hath performed his word that he spake, and I am risen vp in the roome of Dauid my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and haue built an house for the Name of the LORD God of Israel.

21 And I haue set there a place for the Arke, wherein is the Couenant of the LORD which hee made

* 2. Chro. 5. 2.
† *Hebr.* Princes.
† *Hebr.* heads.
‖ Or, *Arke as* 2. *chr.* 5. 9.
* Deut. 10. 5.
‖ Or, *where.*
* Exod. 40. 34.
* 2. Chro. 6. 1.
* 2. Sam. 7. 8.

made with our fathers when hee brought them out of the land of Egypt.

2 Chro. 6.13. 22 ¶ And Solomon stood before the Altar of the LORD in the presence of all the Congregation of Israel, and spread foorth his hands toward heauen:

2 Mac. 2.8. 23 And he said, LORD God of Israel *there is* no God like thee, in heauen aboue, or on earth beneath, who keepest couenant and mercy with thy seruants, that walke before thee with all their heart:

Deut. 20. 5.

24 Who hast kept with thy seruant Dauid my father, that thou promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as *it is* this day.

25 Therefore now LORD God of Israel, keepe with thy seruant Dauid, my father that thou promisedst him, saying, *† There shall not faile thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; † so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walke before me as thou hast walked before me:

*Chap. 2. 4. 2 sam. 7.12. † Hebr. there shal not be cut off vnto thee a man from my sight. † Hebr. onely if.

26 And now, O God of Israel, let thy word (I pray thee) be verified which thou spakest vnto thy seruant Dauid my father.

27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, the heauen, and heauen of heauens cannot containe thee: how much lesse this house which I haue builded?

28 Yet haue thou respect vnto the prayer of thy seruant and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken vnto the cry, and to the prayer which thy seruant prayeth before thee to day:

29 That thine eies may bee open toward this house night and day, *euen* toward the place of which thou hast said, * My name shalbe there: that thou mayest hearken vnto the prayer which thy seruant shall make ‖ towards this place.

* Deut. 12.11. ‖ Or, in this place

30 And hearken thou to the supplication of thy seruant & of thy people Israel, when they shall pray ‖ towards this place: and heare thou in heauen thy dwelling place, and when thou hearest, forgiue.

‖ Or, in this place

† Hebr. and he require an oath of him.

31 ¶ If any man trespasse against his neighbour, † and an oath bee laid vpon him to cause him to sweare, and the oath come before thine Altar in this house:

32 Then heare thou in heauen, and do and iudge thy seruants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way vpon his head, and iustifying the righteous, to giue him according to his righteousnesse.

33 ¶ When thy people Israel be smitten downe before the enemy, because they haue sinned against thee, and shall turne againe to thee, and confesse thy Name, and pray and make supplication vnto thee ‖ in this house:

‖ Or, towards.

34 Then heare thou in heauen, and forgiue the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them againe vnto the land which thou gauest vnto their fathers.

35 ¶ When heauen is shut vp, and there is no raine because they haue sinned against thee: if they pray toward this place, and confesse thy Name, and turne from their sinne, when thou afflictest them:

36 Then heare thou in heauen, and forgiue the sinne of thy seruants, and of thy people Israel, that thou teach them the good way wherein they should walke, and giue raine vpon thy land which thou hast giuen to thy people for an inheritance.

37 ¶ If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blasting, mildew, locust, *or* if there be catterpillar: if their enemy beseige them in the land of their ‖ cities, whatsoeuer plague, whatsoeuer sicknesse *there be*:

‖ Or, iurisdiction.

38 What prayer and supplication soeuer be made by any man *or* by all thy people Israel, which shall know euery man the plague of his owne heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

39 Then heare thou in heauen thy dwelling place, and forgiue, and doe, and giue to euery man according to his wayes, whose heart thou knowest (for thou, *euen* thou only knowest the hearts of all the children of men.)

40 That they may feare thee all the dayes that they liue in the land which thou gauest vnto our Fathers.

41 Moreouer, concerning a stranger that is not of thy people Israel, but commeth out of a farre countrey for thy Names sake;

42 (For they shall heare of thy great Name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out arme) when he shall come and pray toward this house:

43 Heare thou in heauen thy dwelling place, and doe according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for: that all people of the earth may know thy Name, to feare thee, as *doe* thy people Israel, and that they may know, that † this house which I haue builded, is called by thy Name.

44 ¶ If thy people goe out to battell against their enemy, whithersoeuer thou shalt send them, and shall pray vnto the LORD ‖ toward the citie which thou hast chosen, and *toward* the house that I haue built for thy Name:

45 Then heare thou in heauen their prayer and their supplication, and maintaine their cause.

46 If they sinne against thee, (* for there is no man that sinneth not) and thou be angry with them, and deliuer them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captiues vnto the land of the enemy, farre or neere;

47 *Yet* if they shall † bethinke themselues in the land whither they were carried captiues, and repent, and make supplication vnto thee in the land of them that carried them captiues, saying, We haue sinned, and haue done peruersely, we haue committed wickednesse:

48 And so returne vnto thee with all their heart, and with all their soule, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captiue, and pray vnto thee toward their land, which thou gauest vnto their Fathers, the citie which thou hast chosen, and the house which I haue built for thy Name:

49 Then heare thou their prayer and their supplication in heauen thy dwelling place, and maintaine their cause,

50 And forgiue thy people that haue sinned against thee, and all their transgressions wherein they haue transgressed against thee, and giue them compassion before them who carried them captiues, that they may haue compassion on them:

51 For they *be* thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of yron:

52 That thine eyes may be open vnto the supplication of thy seruant, and vnto the supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken vnto them in all that they call for vnto thee.

53 For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be thine inheritance, as thou spakest by the hand of Moses thy seruant, when thou * broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord GOD.

54 And it was so, that when Solomon had made an end of praying all this prayer and supplication vnto the LORD, he arose from before the Altar of the LORD, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread vp to heauen.

55 And he stood and blessed all the Congregation of Israel with a loud voice, saying,

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B. Tho. Pickering. 225.

Blessed be the LORD that hath given rest vnto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath not † failed one word of all his good promise, which hee promised by the hand of Moses his seruant.

57 The LORD our God be with vs, as hee was with our fathers: let him not leaue vs, nor forsake vs:

58 That he may encline our hearts vnto him, to walke in all his wayes, and to keepe his Commandements, and his Statutes, and his Iudgements, which he commanded our fathers.

59 And let these my words wherewith I haue made supplication before the LORD, be nigh vnto the LORD our God day & night, that he maintaine the cause of his seruant, and the cause of his people Israel † at all times as the matter shall require:

60 That all the people of the earth may know, that the LORD is God: & that there is none else.

61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD your God, to walke in his Statutes, and to keepe his Commandements as at this day.

62 ¶ And the *King, and all Israel with him, offered sacrifice before the LORD.

63 And Solomon offered a sacrifice of peace-offerings, which he offered vnto the LORD, two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheepe: so the King and all the children of Israel dedicated the house of the LORD.

64 The same day did the king hallow the middle part of the court that was before the house of the LORD, for there he offered burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings, because the brazen Altar that was before the LORD, was too little to receiue the burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings.

65 And at that time Solomon held a feast, and all Israel with him, a great Congregation, from the entring in of Hamath, vnto the riuer of Egypt before the LORD our God, seuen dayes, and seuen dayes, euen fourteene dayes.

66 On the eight day hee sent the people away: and they blessed the King, and went vnto their tents ioyfull and glad of heart, for all the goodnesse that the LORD had done for Dauid his seruant, and for Israel his people.

CHAP. IX.

God confirmeth his couenant in a vision with Solomon. 10 *Solomon giueth vnto Hiram many presents.* 15 *Solomons workes, the Gentiles were his bondmen.* 16 *The Egyptian honourable seruants.* 24 *Pharaohs daughter remooueth to her house.* 25 *Solomon yeerely offereth sacrifices:* 26 *His Nauie setteth saile from Ophir.*

1 And it came to passe, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the LORD, and the Kings house, and all Solomons desire which he was pleased to doe,

2 That the LORD appeared to Solomon the second time, as hee had appeared vnto him at Gibeon.

3 And the LORD said vnto him, I haue heard thy prayer and thy supplication that thou hast made before me: I haue hallowed this house which thou hast built, to put my Name there for euer, and mine eies & mine heart shall be there perpetually.

4 And if thou wilt walke before me, as Dauid thy father walked, in integritie of heart, and in vprightnesse to doe according to all that I haue commanded thee, and wilt keepe my Statutes, and my iudgements:

5 Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdome vpon Israel for euer, * as I promised to Dauid thy father, saying, There shall not faile thee a man vpon the throne of Israel. *2.Sam. 7.12. 1.chron. 22.10.

6 But if you shall at all turne from following me, you or your children, and will not keepe my Commandements, and my Statutes which I haue set before you, but goe and serue other gods, and worship them:

7 Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I haue giuen them, and this house which I haue hallowed for my Name will I cast out of my sight, and Israel shall bee a prouerbe, and a by word among all people:

8 And at this house which is high, euery one that passeth by it shall bee astonied, and shall hisse, and they shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus vnto this land, and vnto this house? * Deut. 29.24. 1.Kin.22.8.

9 And they shall answere, Because they forsooke the LORD their God, who brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and haue taken hold vpon other gods, and haue worshipped them, and serued them: therefore hath the LORD brought vpon them all this euill.

10 ¶ And it came to passe at the end of twenty yeeres, when Solomon had built the two houses, the house of the LORD, and the Kings house, *2.Chro. 8.1.

11 (Now Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with Cedar trees and firre trees, and with gold: according to all his desire) ¶ then Solomon gaue Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee.

12 And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had giuen him, and they † pleased him not. † Hebr. were not right in his eyes.

13 And he said, What cities are these, which thou hast giuen me my brother? And hee called them the land of ‖ Cabul vnto this day. ‖ That is, displeasing, or dirty.

14 And Hiram sent to the King sixescore talents of gold.

15 ¶ And this is the reason of the leuie which King Solomon raised, for to build the house of the LORD, and his owne house, and Millo, and the wall of Ierusalem, and Hazor, and Megiddo, and Gezer.

16 For Pharaoh King of Egypt had gone vp, and taken Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and slaine the Canaanites that dwelt in the city, and giuen it for a present vnto his daughter, Solomons wife.

17 And Solomon built Gezer, and Bethoron the nether,

18 And Baalath, and Tadmor in the wilderneſſe in the land.

19 And all the cities of store that Solomon had, and cities for his charets, and cities for his horsemen, and † that which Solomon desired to build in Ierusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion. † Hebr. the desire of Solomon, which desired,

20 And all the people that were left of the Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hiuites, and Iebusites which were not of the children of Israel,

21 Their children that were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel also were not able vtterly to destroy, vpon those did Solomon leuie a tribute of bond-seruice vnto this day.

22 But of the children of Israel did Solomon * make no bondmen: but they were men of warre, and his seruants, and his princes, and his captaines, and rulers of his charets, and his horsemen. * Leuit. 25.39.

23 These were the chiefe of the officers, that were ouer Solomons worke, fiue hundred, and fifty, which bare rule ouer the people that wrought in the worke.

24 ¶ But * Pharaohs daughter came vp out of the city of Dauid vnto her house which Solomon had built for her: then did he build Millo. *2.Chro. 8.11.

25 ¶ And

25 ¶ And three times in a yeere did Solomon offer burnt offerings, and peace offerings vpon the Altar which he built vnto the LORD and he burnt incense † vpon the Altar that *was* before the LORD: so he finished the house.

† Hebr. vpon it.

26 ¶ And King Solomon made a Nauy of ships in Ezion Geber, which *is* beside Eloth, on the † shore of the red sea, in the land of Edom.

† Hebr. ship.

27 And Hiram sent in the nauy his seruants shipmen that had knowledge of the Sea, with the seruants of Solomon.

28 And they came to Ophir, and fet from thence gold, foure hundred and twenty talents, and brought *it* to King Solomon.

CHAP. X.

1 *The Queene of Sheba admireth the wisedome of Solomon* 14 *Solomons gold.* 16 *His targets.* 18 *The throne of Ivory.* 21 *His Vessels.* 24 *His presents.* 26 *His chariots and horse.* 28 *His tribute.*

2. Chro. 9. 1. mat. 12. 42. Luke 11. 31.

AND when the * Queene of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the Name of the LORD, she came to proue him with hard questions.

2 And she came to Ierusalem with a very great traine, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she commoned with him of all that was in her heart.

† Hebr. words.

3 And Solomon told her all her † questions: there was not any thing hid from the King, which he told her not.

† Hebr. standing.

4 And when the Queene of Sheba had seene all Solomons wisedome & the house that he had built,

‖ Or, Butlers.

5 And the meat of his table, and the ‖ sitting of his seruants, and the † attendance of his ministers, and their apparell, and his ‖ cup bearers, and his ascent by which hee went vp vnto the house of the LORD: there was no more spirit in her.

† Hebr. word. ‖ Or, sayings.

6 And shee said to the King. It was a true † report that I heard in mine owne land, of thy ‖ acts, and of thy wisedome.

† Hebr. thou hast added wisedome and goodnesse to the fame.

7 Howbeit I beleeued not the words, vntill I came, and mine eyes had seene *it*: and behold, the halfe was not told me: † thy wisedome and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

8 Happy *are* thy men, happy *are* these thy seruants which stand continually before thee, *and* that heare thy wisdome.

9 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel, because the LORD loued Israel for euer, therefore made he thee King, to doe iudgement and iustice.

10 And she gaue the King an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices, as these which the Queene of Sheba gaue to king Solomon.

11 And the nauy also of Hiram that brought gold from Ophir, brought in from Ophir, great plenty of Almug trees and precious stones.

‖ Or, railes. Heb. a prop.

12 And the King made of the Almug trees, ‖ pillars for the house of the LORD, and for the kings house, Harpes also and Psalteries for singers: there came no such * Almug trees, nor were seene vnto this day.

2. Chro. 9. 10

† Hebr. according to the hand of King Solomon.

13 And King Solomon gaue vnto the Queene of Sheba, all her desire *whatsoeuer* shee asked, beside that which Solomon gaue her † of *his* royall bounty: so she turned and went to her owne country, shee and her seruants.

14 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one yeere was six hundred threescore and six talents of gold.

15 Besides *that he had* of the merchant men, and of the traffique of the spice merchants, and of all the Kings of Arabia, and of the ‖ gouernours of the country.

16 ¶ And King Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of gold went to one target.

17 And *he made* three hundred shields of beaten gold: three pound of gold went to one shield: and the King put them in the * house of the forrest of Lebanon.

18 ¶ Moreouer, the King made a great throne of ‖ uory, and ouerlaid it with the best gold.

19 The throne *had* six steps, and the top of the throne *was* round † behind: and *there were* stayes on either side on the place of the seat, and two Lyons stood beside the stayes.

20 And twelue Lyons stood there on the one side and on the other vpon the sixe steps: there was not † the like made in any kingdome.

21 ¶ And all King Solomons drinking vessels *were* of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forrest of Lebanon *were* of pure gold: none were of siluer, it was nothing accounted of in the dayes of Solomon.

22 For the king *had* at Sea a Nauy of Tharshish with the Nauy of Hiram: once in three yeeres came the Nauy of Tharshish, bringing gold and siluer, ‖ uory, and Apes, and Peacockes.

23 So King Solomon exceeded all the Kings of the earth for riches, and for wisedome.

24 ¶ And all the earth † sought to Solomon, to heare his wisdome which God had put in his heart.

25 And they brought euery man his present, vessels of siluer, & vessels of gold, & garments, harnesse, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate yeerely *by rate*.

26 ¶ And Solomon gathered together * chariots and horsemen. And hee had a thousand and foure hundred charets, and twelue thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the cities for charets, and with the King at Ierusalem.

27 And the King † made siluer to be in Ierusalem as stones, and Cedars made hee to be as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale for abundance.

28 ¶ † And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linnen yarne: the Kings merchants receiued the linnen yarne at a price.

29 And a charet came vp and went out of Egypt for sixe hundred *shekels* of siluer, and an horse for an hundred and fiftie: and so for all the Kings of the Hittites, and for the Kings of Syria, did they bring *them* out † by their meanes.

CHAP. XI.

1 *Solomons wiues and concubines.* 4 *In his age they draw him to idolatry.* 9 *God threatneth him.* 14 *Solomons aduersaries were Hadad, who was entertained in Egypt,* 23 *Rezon, who reigned in Damascus,* 26 *and Ieroboam to whom Ahijah prophesied.* 41 *Solomons actes, reigne, and death.* 43 *Reboboam succeedeth him.*

BVt King Solomon loued * many strange women (‖ together with the daughter of Pharaoh) women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians *and* Hittites:

2 Of the nations, concerning which the LORD said vnto the children of Israel, * Ye shall not goe in to them, neither shall they come in vnto you: for surely they will turne away your heart after their gods: Solomon claue vnto these in loue.

3 And he had seuen hundred wiues, princesses, and three hundred concubines: * and his wiues turned away his heart.

For it came to passe when Solomon was old, his wiues turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as was the heart of Dauid his father.

5 For Solomon went after * Ashtoreth the goddesse of the Zidonians, and after Milkom the abomination of the Amorites.

6 And Solomon did euill in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully after the LORD, as did Dauid his father.

7 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, in the hill that is before Ierusalem, and for Molech the abomination of the children of Ammon.

8 And likewise did he for all his strange wiues, which burnt incense and sacrificed vnto their gods.

9 And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared vnto him twice,

10 And * had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not goe after other gods: but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.

11 Wherefore the LORD said vnto Solomon, Forasmuch as this † is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my Couenant, and my Statutes which I haue commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdome from thee, and will giue it to thy seruant.

12 Notwithstanding, in thy dayes I will not doe it for Dauid thy fathers sake: *but* I will rend it out of the hand of thy sonne.

13 Howbeit, I will not rend away all the kingdome: *but* will giue one tribe to thy sonne, for Dauid my seruants sake, and for Ierusalems sake, which I haue chosen.

14 ¶ And the LORD stirred vp an aduersary vnto Salomon, Hadad the Edomite: he *was* of the King's seed in Edom.

15 * For it came to passe when Dauid was in Edom, and Ioab the captaine of the host was gone vp to bury the slaine, after he had smitten euery male in Edom:

16 (For six monethes did Ioab remaine there with all Israel, vntill he had cut off euery male in Edom:)

17 That Hadad fled, he and certaine Edomites of his fathers seruants with him, to goe into Egypt: Hadad being yet a little child.

18 And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran: and they tooke men with them out of Paran, and they came to Egypt, vnto Pharaoh King of Egypt, which gaue him an house, and appointed him victuals, and gaue him land.

19 And Hadad found great fauour in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he gaue him to wife, the sister of his owne wife, the sister of Tahpenes the Queene.

20 And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his sonne, whom Tahpenes weaned in Pharaohs house: and Genubath was in Pharaohs household among the sonnes of Pharaoh.

21 And when Hadad heard in Egypt that Dauid slept with his fathers, and that Ioab the captaine of the host was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh, † let me depart, that I may goe to mine owne country.

22 Then Pharaoh said vnto him, But what hast thou lacked with me, that behold, thou seekest to goe to thine owne country? And he answered, Nothing: Howbeit, let me goe in any wise.

23 And * God stirred him vp *another* aduersary, Rezon the sonne of Eliadah, which fled from his master Hadadezer King of Zobah:

24 And he gathered men vnto him, and became captaine ouer a band, when Dauid slew them of Zobah: and they went to Damascus, and dwelt therein, and reigned in Damascus.

25 And he was an aduersary to Israel all the dayes of Solomon, besides the mischiefe that Hadad did: and he abhorred Israel, and reigned ouer Syria.

26 ¶ And * Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomons seruant (whose mothers name was Zeruah a widdow-woman) euen he lift vp *his* hand against the King.

27 And this *was* the cause that he lift vp *his* hand against the King: Solomon built Millo, *and* † repaired the breaches of the city of Dauid his father.

28 And the man Ieroboam *was* a mighty man of valour: and Solomon seeing the young man that he † was industrious, hee made him ruler ouer all the † charge of the house of Ioseph.

29 And it came to passe at that time when Ieroboam went out of Ierusalem, that the Prophet Ahiiah, the Shilonite found him in the way: and hee had clad himselfe with a new garment; and they two were alone in the field.

30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that *was* on him, and rent it in twelue pieces.

31 And he said to Ieroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the LORD the God of Israel, Behold, I will rent the kingdome out of the hand of Solomon, and will giue ten tribes to thee:

32 (But he shall haue one tribe, for my seruant Dauids sake, & for Ierusalems sake, the city which I haue chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:)

33 Because that they haue forsaken me, and haue worshipped Ashtareth the goddesse of the Zidonians, Chemoth the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and haue not walked in my wayes, to doe that which is right in mine eyes, and *to keepe* my Statutes, and my iudgements, as *did* Dauid his father.

34 Howbeit, I will not take the whole kingdome out of his hand: but I will make him Prince all the dayes of his life, for Dauid my seruants sake, whom I chose, because hee kept my Commandements, and my Statutes:

35 But I will take the kingdome out of his sonns hand, and will giue it vnto thee, *euen* ten tribes.

36 And vnto his sonne will I giue one tribe, that Dauid my seruant may haue a † light alway before me in Ierusalem, the city which I haue chosen me to put my Name there.

37 And I will take thee, and thou shalt reigne according to all that thy soule desireth, and shalt be King ouer Israel.

38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken vnto all that I command thee, and wilt walke in my wayes, and doe that is right in my sight, to keepe my Statutes, and my commandements, as Dauid my seruant did, that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for Dauid, and will giue Israel vnto thee.

39 And I will for this afflict the seed of Dauid, but not for euer.

40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Ieroboam, and Ieroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, vnto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt vntill the death of Solomon.

41 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdome, are they not written in the booke of the Acts of Solomon?

42 And the † time that Solomon reigned in Ierusalem ouer all Israel, *was* * fourty yeeres.

43 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of Dauid his father: and * Rehoboam his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP.

* 2. Chron. 12.6.

† Hebr. closed. 1

† Heb. did worke.

† Hebr. burden.

* Chap. 12.15.

† Hebr. lampe, & candle.

1 Or, words, & things.

† Hebr. ouer.

* 2. Chron. 9.30.

* Mat. 1.7. called Roboam.

CHAP. XII.

1 The Israelites assembled at Sherhem, to crowne Rehoboam, by Ieroboam make a suit of relaxation vnto him. 6 Rehoboam refusing the old mens counsell by the aduise of the young men answereth them roughly. 16 Ten tribes reuolting, kill Adoram, and make Rehoboam to flee. 21 Rehoboam raising an army, is forbidden by Shemaiah. 25 Ieroboam strengtheneth himselfe by cities, 28 and by the idolatry of the two calues.

*2.Chro. 10.1. And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him King.

2 And it came to passe, when Ieroboam the son *Chap. 11.40. of Nebat, who was yet in Egypt, heard of it, (for he was fled from the presence of King Solomon, and Ieroboam dwelt in Egypt:)

3 That they sent and called him: and Ieroboam and all the Congregation of Israel came and spake vnto Rehoboam, saying,

*Chap. 4.7. 4 Thy father made our yoke grieuous: now therefore, make thou the grieuous seruice of thy father, and his heauy yoke which he put vpon vs, lighter, and we will serue thee.

5 And he said vnto them, Depart yet for three dayes, then come againe to me. And the People departed.

6 ¶ And King Rehoboam consulted with the old men that stood before Solomon his father, while he yet liued, and said, how doe you aduise, that I may answere this people?

7 And they spake vnto him, saying, If thou wilt be a seruant vnto this people this day & wilt serue them, and answere them, and speake good words to them, then they will be thy seruants for euer.

8 But hee forsooke the counsell of the old men, which they had giuen him, and consulted with the young men ỹ were growen vp with him, and which stood before him.

9 And hee said vnto them, What counsell giue ye, that we may answere this people, who haue spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put vpon vs lighter?

10 And the young men that were growen vp with him, spake vnto him, saying, Thus shalt thou speake vnto this people that spake vnto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heauy, but make thou it lighter vnto vs: thus shalt thou say vnto them, My little *finger* shall be thicker then my fathers loynes.

11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heauy yoke, I will adde to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

12 ¶ So Ieroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me againe the third day.

†Hebr. hardly. 13 And the King answered ỹ people †roughly & forsooke the old mens counsel that they gaue him:

14 And spake to them after ỹ counsell of ỹ young men, saying, My father made your yoke heauy, and I will adde to your yoke: my father *also* chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you w scorpions.

15 Wherefore the King hearkened not vnto the people, for the cause was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD spake by *Ahijah the Shilonite, vnto Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat.

*1.King. 11.31. *Chap. 11.11.31. 16 ¶ So when all Israel saw that the King hearkened not vnto them, the people answered the King, saying, What portion haue we in Dauid? neither haue we inheritance in the sonne of Iesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine owne house, Dauid. So Israel departed vnto their tents.

17 But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in ỹ cities of Iudah, Rehoboam reigned ouer them.

18 Then King Rehoboam sent Adoram who was ouer the tribute, and all Israel stoned him with stones that he died: therefore king Rehoboam fained himself to get him vp to the chariot, to flee to Ierusalem.

19 So Israel rebelled against the house of Dauid vnto this day.

20 And it came to passe, when all Israel heard that Ieroboam was come againe, that they sent and called him vnto the Congregation, and made him King ouer all Israel: there was none that followed the house of Dauid, but the tribe of Iudah only.

21 ¶ And when Rehoboam was come to Ierusalem, he assembled all the house of Iudah, with the tribe of Beniamin, an hundred & fourescore thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdome again to Rehoboam the sonne of Salomon.

22 But *the word of God came vnto Shemaiah the man of God saying,

23 Speake vnto Rehoboam the sonne of Salomon King of Iudah, and vnto all the house of Iudah and Beniamin, & to the remnant of the people, saying,

24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go vp nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: returne euery man to his house, for this thing is done from me. They hearkened therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart according to the word of the LORD.

25 ¶ Then Ieroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein, and went out from thence, and built Penuel.

26 And Ieroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdome returne to the house of Dauid:

27 If this people goe vp to doe sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Ierusalem, then shall the heart of this people turne againe vnto their lord, euen vnto Rehoboam King of Iudah, and they shall kill me, and goe again to Rehoboam King of Iudah.

28 Whereupon ỹ king took counsell, and made two calues of gold, & said vnto them, It is too much for you, to goe vp to Ierusalem: behold thy gods O Israel, w brought thee vp out of the land of Egypt.

29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.

30 And this thing became a sinne: for the people went *to worship* before the one, euen vnto Dan.

31 And he made an house of high places, and made Priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sonnes of Leui.

32 And Ieroboam ordained a Feast in the eight moneth, on the fifteenth day of ỹ moneth like vnto the feast that is in Iudah, and he offered vpon the Altar: (so did he in Bethel) ỹ sacrificing vnto the calues that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the Priests of the high places which he had made.

33 So he ỹ offered vpon the altar which he had made in Bethel, the fifteenth day of the eight moneth, euen in the moneth which he had deuised of his owne heart: and ordained a feast vnto the children of Israel, and he offered vpon the Altar ỹ burnt incense.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Ieroboams hand shat o stoned vnlesse it is prophesied against his altar at Bethel: with a and at the praier of the Prophet is restored. 7 The prophet refusing the kings entertainment departeth from Bethel. 11 An old prophet disceiueth him by meanes whereof he is slaine. 20 He is reproued by God. 23 by a lyon. 26 buried by the olde Prophet. 33 Ieroboam confirmeth his prophecy.

behold, there came a man of God out of
ah by the word of the LORD vnto Bethel,
boam stood by the Altar to † burne incense
d he cryed against the Altar in the word of
th, and said, O Altar, Altar, thus saith the
Behold, a child shall bee borne vnto the
f David, Iosiah by name, and vpon thee
offer the Priests of the high places, that
ense vpon thee, and mens bones shall be
on thee.
He gaue a signe the same day, saying, This
ne which the LORD hath spoken; Behold,
shall be rent, and the ashes that are vpon
be powred out.
d it came to passe when King Ieroboam
e saying of the man of God, which had cry-
d the Altar in Bethel, that he put forth his
m the Altar, saying, Lay hold on him: And
which he put forth against him, dried vp,
e could not pull it in againe to him.
Altar also was rent, and the ashes powred
the Altar, according to the signe which the
God had giuen by the word of the LORD.
d the King answered, and said vnto the
God, intreat now the face of the LORD thy
d pray for me, that my hand may be reso-
again. And the man of God besought the
and the Kings hand was restored againe,
me as it was before.
d the King said vnto the man of God, Come
ith me, and refresh thy selfe, and I will
e a reward.
d the man of God said vnto the King, If
u giue me halfe thine house, I will not go
e, neither will I eat bread, nor drinke
r in this place:
for so was it charged me by the word of the
e saying, Eat no bread, nor drinke water, nor
urne by the same way that thou camest.
He went another way, and returned not by
e way that he came to Bethel.
w there dwelt an old Prophet in Bethel,
d his sonnes came and told him all the workes
e man of God had done that day in Bethel:
e words which hee had spoken vnto the King,
y told also to their father.
d their father said vnto them, What way
t he for his sonnes had seene what way the
God went which came from Iudah.
d he said vnto his sons, Saddle me the asse.
y saddled him the asse, and he rode thereon,
d went after the man of God, and found
ting vnder an oake: and he said vnto him,
u the man of God that camest from Iudah?
said, I am.
n he said vnto him, Come home with me,
bread.
d he said, I may not returne with thee, nor
with thee, neither will I eat bread, nor
ater with thee in this place.
† it was said vnto me by the Word of the
Thou shalt eat no bread, nor drinke water
e turne againe to goe by the way that thou

said vnto him, I am a Prophet also as thou
d an Angel spake vnto me by the Word of
, saying, Bring him backe with thee into
se, that hee may eat bread, and drinke
But he lyed vnto him.
he went backe with him, and did eat bread
se, and dranke water.
And it came to passe, as they sate at the table, that the Word of the LORD came vnto the Prophet that brought him backe:

21 And he cryed vnto the man of God that came from Iudah, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast not kept the Commandement which the LORD thy God commanded thee,

22 But camest backe, and hast eaten bread, and dronke water in the place, of the which the LORD did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drinke no water, thy carcasse shall not come vnto the sepulchre of thy fathers.

23 ¶ And it came to passe after hee had eaten bread, and after he had dronke, that he sadled for him the asse, *to wit*, for the Prophet whom he had brought backe.

24 And when he was gone, a Lion met him by the way, and slew him; and his carcasse was cast in the way, and the asse stood by it, the Lion also stood by the carcasse.

25 And behold, men passed by, and saw the carcasse cast in the way, and the Lion standing by the carcasse: and they came and told it in the citie, where the old Prophet dwelt.

26 And when the Prophet that brought him backe from the way, heard *thereof*, he said, It is the man of God, who was disobedient vnto the Word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath deliuered him vnto the Lion, which hath † torne him, and slaine him, according to the Word of the LORD, which he spake vnto him. † Hebr. broken.

27 And he spake vnto his sonnes, saying, Saddle me the asse: and they sadled *him*.

28 And he went and found his carcasse cast in the way, and the asse and the Lion standing by the carcasse: the Lion had not eaten the carcasse, nor † torne the asse. † Hebr. broken.

29 And the Prophet tooke vp the carcasse of the man of God, and laid it vpon the asse, and brought it backe: and the old Prophet came to the citie to mourne, and to bury him.

30 And he laid his carcasse in his owne graue, and they mourned ouer him, *saying*, Alas my brother.

31 And it came to passe after he had buried him, that he spake to his sons, saying, When I am dead, then bury me in the sepulchre, where in the man of God is buried, lay my bones beside his bones.

32 For the saying which he cryed by the word of the LORD, against the Altar in Bethel, and against all the houses of the high places, which *are* in the cities of Samaria, shall surely come to passe.

33 ¶ After this thing Ieroboam returned not from his euill way, but † made againe of the lowest of the people, Priests of the high places: whosoeuer would, hee † consecrated him, and hee became one of the priests of the high places. † Hebr. returned & made. † Hebr. filled his hand.

34 And this thing became sinne vnto the house of Ieroboam, euen to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 Abijah being sicke, Ieroboam sendeth his wife disguised, with presents to the Prophet Abijah at Shiloh. 5 Abijah foretolde by God, denounceth Gods iudgement. 17 Abijah dieth, and is buried. 19 Nadab succeedeth Ieroboam. 21 Rehoboams wicked reigne. 25 Shishak spoyleth Ierusalem. 29 Abijam succeeded Rehoboam.

AT that time Abijah the sonne of Ieroboam fell sicke.

2 And Ieroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and disguise thy selfe, that thou be not knowne to be the wife of Ieroboam, and get thee to Shiloh: behold

behold, there *is* Ahijah the Prophet, which told me that *I should be* King ouer this people.

a Chap. 11. 31.

3 And take † with thee ten loaues, and ‖ crakenels, and a ‖ cruse of honey, and goe to him: he shall tell thee what shall become of the child.

† Hebr. in thine hand.

‖ Or. cakes ‖ Or, bottle

4 And Ieroboams wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah: but Ahijah could not see, for his eyes † were set, by reason of his age.

† Hebr. stood for hoarinesse

5 ¶ And the LORD said vnto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Ieroboam commeth to aske a thing of thee for her sonne, for he is sicke: thus and thus shalt thou say vnto her: for it shalbe when shee commeth in, that she shall faine her selfe to be another woman.

6 And it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the doore, that he said, Come in thou wife of Ieroboam, why fainest thou thy selfe to be another? for I am sent to thee with † heauy tidings.

† Hebr. hard.

7 Goe, tell Ieroboam, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, For as much as I exalted thee from among the people, and made thee Prince ouer my people Israel,

8 And rent the kingdome away from the house of Dauid, and gaue it thee: and *yet* thou hast not beene as my seruant Dauid, who kept my Commandements, and who followed me with all his heart, to doe that onely which was right in mine eyes:

9 But hast done euill aboue all that were before thee, for thou hast gone and made thee other gods, and molten images, to prouoke me to anger, and hast cast me behind thy backe:

b Chap. 15. 29. c Chap. 21. 21. 2. kings 9. 8.

10 Therefore behold, b I will bring euill vpon the house of Ieroboam, and will cut off from Ieroboam c him that pisseth against the wall, *and* him that *is* shut vp, and left in Israel, and will take away the remnant of the house of Ieroboam, as a man taketh away dung, till it be all gone.

11 Him that dieth of Ieroboam in the city, shall the dogs eat: and him that dieth in the field shall the foules of the ayre eat: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

12 Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine owne house: and when thy feet enter into the city, the child shall die.

13 And all Israel shall mourne for him, and bury him: for hee onely of Ieroboam shall come to the graue, because in him there is found some good thing toward the LORD God of Israel in the house of Ieroboam.

14 Moreouer, the LORD shall raise him vp a King ouer Israel, who shall cut off the house of Ieroboam that day: but what? euen now.

15 For the LORD shall smite Israel as a reede is shaken in the water, and he shall root vp Israel out of this good land, which he gaue to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond the riuer, because they haue made their groues, prouoking the LORD to anger.

16 And he shall giue Israel vp, because of the sinnes of Ieroboam, who did sinne, and who made Israel to sinne.

17 ¶ And Ieroboams wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: *and* when she came to the threshold of the doore, the child died.

18 And they buried him, and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the LORD, which hee spake by the hand of his seruant Abijah the Prophet.

19 And the rest of the acts of Ieroboam, how he warred, & how he reigned, behold, they *are* written in the book of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel,

20 And the dayes which Ieroboam reigned *were* two and twenty yeeres: and he † slept with his fathers, and Nadab his sonne reigned in his stead.

† Hebr. lay

21 ¶ And Rehoboam the sonne of Solomon reigned in Iudah: d Rehoboam *was* fourty and one yeere old when he began to reigne, and hee reigned seuenteene yeres in Ierusalem, the city which the LORD did chuse out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his Name there: and his mothers name was Naamah an Ammonitesse.

22 And Iudah did euill in the sight of the LORD, and they prouoked him to iealousie with their sinnes which they had committed, aboue all that their Fathers had done.

23 For they also built them high places, ‖ Images, and groues on euery high hill, and vnder euery greene tree.

24 And there were also Sodomites in the land: *and* they did according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.

25 ¶ And it came to passe in the fifth yeere of King Rehoboam, *that* Shishak King of Egypt came vp against Ierusalem:

26 And he tooke away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the kings house: he euen tooke away all: and he tooke away all the shields of gold e which Solomon had made.

27 And King Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and committed them vnto the hands of the chiefe of the † guard, which kept the entrance of the Kings house.

† Hebr. runners.

28 And it was so, when the King went into the house of the LORD, that the guard bare them, and brought them backe into the guard chamber.

29 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

30 And there was warre betweene Rehoboam and Ieroboam all *their* dayes.

31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of Dauid: and his mothers name was Naamah an Ammonitesse. And Abijam his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XV.

Abijams wicked reigne. 7 *Asa his sonne.* 9 *Asa good reigne.* 16 *The warre betweene Baasha and him.* 17 *Baasha confederateth him to make warre against Benhadad.* 23 *Iehoshaphat succeedeth Asa.* 25 *Nadabs wicked reigne.* 27 *Baasha conspireth against him, and executeth Ahijahs prophesie.* 31 *Nadab slaine, and death.* 33 *Baashas wicked reigne.*

NOw in the eighteenth yeere of King Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, reigned Abijam ouer Iudah.

2 Three yeeres reigned he in Ierusalem: his mothers name *was* Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

3 And he walked in all the sinnes of his father, which he had done before him: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as the heart of Dauid his father.

4 Neuerthelesse, for Dauids sake did the LORD his God giue him a ‖ lampe in Ierusalem, to set vp his sonne after him, and to establish Ierusalem:

5 Because Dauid did that which *was* right in the eyes of the LORD, and turned not aside from any thing that he commanded him all the dayes of his life, f saue only in the matter of Vriah the Hittite.

6 And there was warre betweene Rehoboam and Ieroboam all the dayes of his life.

7 Now the rest of the acts of Abijam,

are they not written in the * booke of the
cles of the Kings of Iudah? And there was
betweene Abijam and Ieroboam.
Abijam slept with his Fathers, and they
him in the city of Dauid: and Asa his sonne
in his stead.
And * in the twentieth yeere of Ieroboam
Israel, reigned Asa ouer Iudah.
fourty and one yeres reigned hee in Ieru-
and his † mothers name was Maachah the
re of Abishalom.
And Asa did that which was right in the eyes
LORD as did Dauid his father.
he tooke away the Sodomites out of the
and removed all the idoles that his Fathers
de.
also * Maachah his mother, euen her hee
d from being Queene, because she had made
ina grove, and Asa † destroyed her idole,
nt it by the brooke Kidron.
the high places were not removed: ne-
sse, Asa his heart was perfect with the
all his dayes.
hee brought in the † things which his fa-
dedicated, and the things which himselfe
ated, into the house of the LORD, siluer,
, and vessels.
And there was warre betweene Asa and
ing of Israel all their dayes.
Baasha King of Israel went vp against
and built Ramah, that he might not suffer
e out or come in to Asa King of Iudah.
Asa tooke all the siluer and the gold,
left in the treasures of the house of the
and the treasures of the Kings house, and
them into the hand of his seruants: and
sent them to * Benhadad the sonne of
, the sonne of Hezion king of Syria, that
Damascus, saying,
a a league betweene mee and thee, and
my father and thy father: behold, I haue
ee a present of siluer and gold; come
ak thy league with Baasha King of Israel,
may † depart from mee.
Benhadad hearkened vnto King Asa, and
nt the hosts which he had, against
Israel, and smote Iion, and Dan, and
aachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the
Nephtali.
it came to passe when Baasha heard
he left off building of Ramah, and
Tirzah.
King Asa made a Proclamation throrow-
Iudah (none was † exempted) & they tooke
stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof,
Baasha had builded: and King Asa
ilt therewith Geba of Beniamin, and Mizpah.
The rest of all the acts of Asa, & all his might,
all that he did, and the cities which he built, are
they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of
Kings of Iudah? Neuertheless, in the time of
e he was diseased in his feet.
Asa slept with his fathers, and was buri-
with his fathers in the city of Dauid his father:
Jehoshaphat his sonne reigned in his stead.
Nadab the sonne of Ieroboam † began
ver Israel, in the second yeere of Asa
King of Iudah, and reigned ouer Israel two yeeres.
And he did euill in the sight of the LORD,
walked in the way of his father, and in his sin
wherewith he made Israel to sinne.
Baasha the sonne of Ahijah of the house
of Issachar, conspired against him, and Baasha smote
him at Gibbethon, which belongeth to † Philistims,
(for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to Gibbethon.)
And euen in the third yeere of Asa King of Iudah
did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his stead.
And it came to passe when he reigned, that he
smote all the house of Ieroboam, hee left not to Ie-
roboam any that breathed, vntill he had destroyed
him, according vnto * the saying of the LORD, * Chap.
which he spake by his seruant Ahijah † Shilonite: 14.10.
Because of the sinnes of Ieroboam which hee
sinned, and which he made Israel sinne, by his pro-
uocation wherewith hee prouoked the LORD God
of Israel to anger.
Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all
that hee did, are they not written in the booke of
the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?
And there was warre betweene Asa and Baasha
King of Israel all their dayes.
In the third yeere of Asa King of Iudah, began
Baasha the sonne of Ahijah to reigne ouer all Israel
in Tirzah, twenty and foure yeeres.
And he did euill in the sight of the LORD,
and walked in the way of Ieroboam, and in his sin
wherewith he made Israel to sinne.

CHAP. XVI.

1. 7 Iehues prophecie against Baasha. 5 Elah succeedeth him. 8 Zimri conspiring against Elah, succeedeth him. 11 Zimri executeth Iehues prophecie. 15 Omri made King by the souldiers, forceth Zimri desperately to burne himselfe. 21 The kingdome being diuided, Omri preuaileth against Tibni. 23 Omri buildeth Samaria. 25 His wicked reigne. 27 Ahabs succeedeth him. 29 Ahabs most wicked reigne. 34 Iosshuas curse vpon Hiel the builder of Iericho.

THen the word of the LORD came to Iehu the
sonne of Hanani against Baasha, saying,
Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust,
and made thee Prince ouer my people Israel, and
thou hast walked in the way of Ieroboam, and hast
made my people Israel to sinne, to prouoke mee to
anger with their sinnes:
Behold, I will take away the posterity of Ba-
sha, and the posterity of his house: and will make
thy house like * the house of Ieroboam the sonne * Chap.
of Nebat. 15.29.
* Him that dieth of Baasha in the city, shall * Chap.
the dogs eat: and him that dieth of his in the 14.11.
fields, shall the foules of the aire eat.
Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what
he did, and his might, are they not written in the
* booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? * 2.Chro.
So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was bu- 16.1.
ried in Tirzah, & Elah his son reigned in his stead.
And also by the hand of the Prophet Iehu,
the sonne of Hanani, came the word of the LORD
against Baasha, and against his house euen for all
the euill that he did in the sight of the LORD, in
prouoking him to anger with the worke of his
hands, in being like the house of Ieroboam, and be-
cause he killed him.
In the twentie and sixth yeere of Asa King
of Iudah, began Elah the sonne of Baasha to reigne
ouer Israel in Tirzah, two yeeres.
And his seruant Zimri (captaine of halfe his
chariots) conspired against him as hee was in Tir-
zah drinking himselfe drunke in the house of Arza,
† steward of his house in Tirzah. † Heb.
And Zimri went in and smote him, and kil- which
led him, in the twenty and seuenth yeere of Asa was over.
King of Iudah, and reigned in his stead.
¶ And it came to passe, when hee began to
reigne,

reigne, assoone as hee sate on his throne, that hee slew all the house of Baasha: hee left him not one that pisseth against a wall, ‖ neither of his kinsefolkes, nor of his friends.

‖ Or, Goel his kinsemen and his friends.

12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake against Baasha, † by Iehu the Prophet,

† Hebr. by the hand of.

13 For all the sins of Baasha, and the sins of Elah his sonne, by which they sinned, and by which they made Israel to sinne, in prouoking the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.

14 Now the rest of the actes of Elah, and all that hee did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

15 ¶ In the twenty and seuenth yeere of Asa King of Iudah, did Zimri reigne seuen dayes in Tirzah: and the people were encamped against Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the Philistines.

16 And the people that were encamped heard say, Zimri hath conspired, and hath also slaine the king: Wherefore all Israel made Omri the captaine of the hoste, King ouer Israel, that day in the campe.

17 And Omri went vp from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah.

18 And it came to passe when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that hee went into the palace of the Kings house, and burnt the Kings house ouer him with fire, and died,

19 For his sinnes which he sinned, in doing euill in the sight of the LORD, in walking in the way of Ieroboam, and in his sinne which hee did to make Israel sinne.

20 Now the rest of the actes of Zimri, and his treason that hee wrought, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

21 ¶ Then were the people of Israel diuided into two partes: halfe of the people followed Tibni the sonne of Ginath, to make him King: and halfe followed Omri.

22 But the people that followed Omri, preuailed against the people that followed Tibni the son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri reigned.

23 ¶ In the thirty and one yeere of Asa King of Iudah, began Omri to reigne ouer Israel twelue yeeres: sixe yeeres reigned he in Tirzah.

24 And hee bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two talents of siluer, and built on the hill, and called the name of the city which hee built, after the name of Shemer, owner of the hill † Samaria.

† Hebr. Shomeron

25 ¶ But Omri wrought euill in the eyes of the LORD, & did worse then all that *were* before him.

26 For hee walked in all the way of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, and in his sinne, wherewith he made Israel to sinne, to prouoke the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.

27 Now the rest of the actes of Omri which hee did, and his might that hee shewed, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

28 So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria, and Ahab his sonne reigned in his stead.

29 ¶ And in the thirty and eight yeere of Asa King of Iudah, began Ahab the sonne of Omri to reigne ouer Israel, and Ahab the son of Omri reigned ouer Israel in Samaria, twenty and two yeeres.

30 And Ahab the sonne of Omri did euill in the sight of the LORD, aboue all that *were* before him.

‖ Hebr. was it a light thing?

31 And it came to passe, † as if it had been a light thing for him to walke in the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat; that hee tooke to wife Iezebel the daughter of Ethbaal King of the Zidonians, and went and serued Baal, and worshipped him.

32 And hee reared vp an altar for Baal, in the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.

33 And Ahab made a groue, and Ahab did more to prouoke the LORD God of Israel to anger, then all the Kings of Israel that were before him.

34 ¶ In his dayes did Hiel the Bethelite build Ierichoh: he laid the foundation thereof in Abiram his first borne, and set vp the gates thereof in his youngest son Segub, * according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Ioshua the sonne of Nun.

CHAP. XVII.

1 Elijah hauing prophesied against Ahab is sent to Cherith, where the rauens feed him. 8 He is sent to the widow of Zarephath. 17 Her raised her widowes sonne. 24 The woman beleeueth him.

AND † Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said vnto Ahab, * As the LORD God of Israel liueth, before whom I stand, there shall not bee dew nor raine these yeeres, but according to my word.

2 And the word of the LORD came vnto him, saying,

3 Get thee hence, and turne thee Eastward, and hide thy selfe by the brooke Cherith, that is before Iordan.

4 And it shall be, *that* thou shalt drinke of the brooke, and I haue commanded the Rauens to feede thee there.

5 So he went, and did according vnto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the brooke Cherith, that *is* before Iordan.

6 And the Rauens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the euening: and he dranke of the brooke.

7 And it came to passe † after a while, that the brooke dried vp, because there had been no raine in the land.

8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came vnto him, saying,

9 Arise, get thee to * Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I haue commanded a widow woman there to sustaine thee.

10 So he arose, and went to Zarephath: and when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticke: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessell, that I may drinke.

11 And as she was going to fetch it, he called her, and said, Bring mee, I pray thee, a morsell of bread in thine hand.

12 And shee said, As the LORD thy God liueth, I haue not a cake, but an handfull of meale in a barrell, and a little oyle in a cruse: and behold, I am gathering two sticke, that I may goe in and dresse it for me and my sonne, that wee may eate it, and die.

13 And Elijah said vnto her, Feare not, goe and doe as thou hast said: but make mee thereof a little cake first, and bring it vnto me, and after make for thee and for thy sonne.

14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrell of meale shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oyle faile vntill the day *that* the LORD † sendeth raine vpon the earth.

15 And shee went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and shee, and he, and her house, did eate ‖ *many* dayes.

‖ Hebr. dayes.

16 *And* the barrell of meale wasted not, neither did the cruse of oyle faile, according vnto the word of the LORD, which he spake † by Elijah.

17 ¶ And it came to passe after these things, that the sonne of the woman, the mistresse of the

sicke, and his sickenesse was so sore ,that there
as no breath left in him.
18 And the said vnto Elijah, What haue I to doe
ith thee? O thou man of God art thou come vnto
e to call my sinne to remembrance, and to slay
y sonne?
19 And hee said vnto her, Giue me thy sonne.
d, he tooke him out of her bosome, and carried
m vp into a loft, where hee abode, and laid him
on his owne bed.
20 And hee cryed vnto the LORD, and said, O
RD my God, hast thou also brought euill vpon
e widow, with whom I soiourne, by slaying her
ne?
21 And he †stretched himselfe vpon the child
ree times, and cried vnto the LORD, and said, O
RD my God, I pray thee let this childs soule
me † into him againe.
22 And the LORD heard the voyce of Elijah,
d the soule of the child came into him againe, and
reuiued.
23 And Elijah tooke the child, and brought him
wne out of the chamber into the house, and
uered him vnto his mother: and Elijah said,
hy sonne liueth.
24 ¶ And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this
now, that thou art a man of God, and that the
rd of the LORD in thy mouth is truth.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 In the extremity of famine, Elijah sent to Ahab. 5 Obadiah meeteth Obadiah. 9 Obadiah bringeth Ahab to Elijah. 17 Elijah reproouing Ahab, 63 fire from heauen consumeth Baals prophets. 41 Elijah by prayer obtaining raine, followeth Ahab to Iezreel.

1 And it came to passe *after* many dayes, that the
word of the LORD came to Elijah in the third
e, saying, Goe shew thy selfe vnto Ahab, and
ill send raine vpon the earth.
2 And Elijah went to shew himselfe vnto Ahab,
d there was a sore famine in Samaria.
3 And Ahab called † Obadiah, which was the
ruler of his house: (Now Obadiah feared
e LORD greatly.
4 For it was so, when † Iezebel cut off the Pro-
ets of the LORD, that Obadiah tooke an hundred
ophets, and hid them by fifty in a cane, and fed
em with bread and water.)
5 And Ahab said vnto Obadiah, Goe into the
nd vnto all fountaines of water, and vnto all
ookes: peraduenture we may find grasse to saue
e horses and mules aliue, that we † leese not all
e beasts.
6 So they diuided the land betweene them, to
rough out it: Ahab went one way by him-
lfe, and Obadiah went another way by himselfe.
7 And as Obadiah was in the way, behold Eli-
ah met him: and hee knew him, and fell on his
ce, and said, *Art* thou that my lord Elijah?
8 And he answered him, I am: go, tell thy lord,
Elijah, *is here*.
9 And he said, What haue I sinned, that thou
ouldest deliuer thy seruant into the hand of A-
ab, to slay me?
10 As the LORD thy God liueth, there is no na-
on or kingdome, whither my lord hath not sent to
eke thee: and when they said, He is not *there*, he
ok an oth of the kingdome and nation, that
y found thee not.
11 And now thou sayest, Goe tell thy lord, Be-
hold Elijah *is here*.
12 And it shall come to passe, *assoone as* I am gone
from thee, that the Spirit of the LORD shall carry
thee whither I know not; and so when I come and
tell Ahab, and hee cannot find thee, he shall slay me: *but* I thy seruant feare the LORD from my youth.
13 Was it not told my lord what I did when
Iezebel slew the Prophets of the LORD? how I hid
an hundred men of the LORDS Prophets, by fifty in
a cane, and fed them with bread and water?
14 And now thou sayest, Goe tell thy lord, Be-
hold, Elijah *is here*; and he shall slay me.
15 And Elijah said, As the LORD of hosts liueth,
before whom I stand, I will surely shew my selfe
vnto him to day.
16 So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and tolde
him: and Ahab went to meete Elijah.
17 ¶ And it came to passe when Ahab saw Elijah,
that Ahab said vnto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel?
18 And he answered, I haue not troubled Israel,
but thou and thy fathers house, in that yee haue
forsaken the Commandements of the LORD, and
thou hast followed Baalim.
19 Now therefore send *and* gather to me all Isra-
el vnto mount Carmel, and the Prophets of Baal
foure hundred and fifty, and the Prophets of the
groues, foure hundred which eat at Iezebels table.
20 So Ahab sent vnto all the children of Israel, &
gathered ‖ prophets together vnto mount Carmel.
21 And Elijah came vnto all the people, and said,
How long halt you betweene two opinions? If the
LORD be God, follow him, but if Baal, *then* follow
him: and the people answered him not a word.
22 Then said Elijah vnto the people, I, *euen* I
onely remaine a Prophet of the LORD, but Baals
prophets *are* foure hundred and fifty men.
23 Let them therefore giue vs two bullockes,
and let them chuse one bullocke for themselues, and
cut it in peices, and lay it on wood, and put no
fire vnder: and I will dresse the other bullocke, and
lay *it* on wood, and put no fire vnder.
24 And call ye on the Name of your gods, and I
will call on the name of the LORD: and the God
that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the
people answered, and said, † It is well spoken.
25 And Elijah said vnto the prophets of Baal,
Choose you one bullocke for your selues, and
dresse *it* first, for ye *are* many: and call on the name
of your gods, but put no fire vnder.
26 And they tooke the bullock which was giuen
them, and they dressed *it*, and called on the name of
Baal, from morning euen vntill noone, saying, O
Baal, ‖ heare vs. But there was no voyce, nor any
that ‖ answered. And they ‖ leapt vpon the Altar
which was made.
27 And it came to passe at noone, that Elijah
mocked them, and said, Cry † aloud: for he *is* a god,
either † he is talking, or hee † is pursuing, or he is
in a iourney, *or* peraduenture he sleepeth, and must
be awaked.
28 And they cried loud, and cut themselues after
their manner, with knives and lancers, till † the
blood gushed out vpon them.
29 And it came to passe when mid-day was past,
and they prophesied vntil the *time* of the † offering
of *euening* sacrifice *that there was* neither voyce,
nor any to answere, nor † any that regarded.
30 And Elijah said vnto all the people, Come
neere vnto mee. And all the people came neere vn-
to him. And he repaired the Altar of the LORD
that was broken downe.
31 And Elijah tooke twelue stones, according to
the number of the tribes of the sons of Iacob, vnto
whom

(1 Or, thoughts.)

(1 Kor. 18. 40. 19. 10.)

† Heb. the word is good. ‖ Or, answere. ‖ Or, heard. ‖ Or, leaped vp. & downe at the altar. † Heb. with a great voyce. ‖ Or, for meditateth. † Heb. hath a pursuit. † Heb. powred out blood vpon the † Heb. ascending ‖ Heb. an oration.

whom the word of the LORD came, saying, * Israel shall be thy name.

* Gene. 32.28. 2. kings 17.34.

32 And with the stones hee build an Altar in the Name of the LORD, and he made a trench about the Altar, as great as would containe two measures of seed.

33 And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullocke in peeces, and laid him on the wood, and said, Fill foure barrels with water, and powre it on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.

34 And he said, Doe it the second time. And they did it the second time. And he said, Do it the third time. And they did it the third time.

† Hebr. wini.

35 And the water † ran round about the Altar, and he filled the trench also with water.

36 And it came to passe at the time of the offering of the *euening* sacrifice, that Elijah the Prophet came neere, & said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be knowne this day, that thou *art* God in Israel, and *that* I *am* thy seruant, and *that* I haue done all these things at thy word.

37 Heare me O LORD, heare me, that this people may know that thou *art* the LORD God, and *that* thou hast turned their heart backe againe.

38 Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked vp the water that *was* in the trench.

39 And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, the LORD, he *is* the God, the LORD, he *is* the God.

40 And Elijah said vnto them, ‖ Take the prophets of Baal, let not one of them escape. And they tooke them, and Elijah brought them downe to the brooke Kishon, and slew them there.

‖ Or, apprehend.

41 ¶ And Elijah said vnto Ahab, Get thee vp, eat & drink, for there *is* ‖ a sound of abundance of raine.

‖ Or, a sound of a noise of raine.

42 So Ahab went vp to eat and to drink, and Elijah went vp to the top of carmel, and he cast himselfe downe vpon the earth, and put his face betweene his knees,

43 And said to his seruant, Goe vp now, looke toward the sea. And he went vp and looked, and said, *There is* nothing. And he said, goe againe seuen times.

44 And it came to passe at the seuenth time that he said, Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a mans hand. And he said, Goe vp, say vnto Ahab, † Prepare *thy charet*, and get thee downe that the raine stop thee not.

† Hebr. binde or tie.

45 And it came to passe in the meane while, that the heauen was blacke with clouds and wind, and there was a great raine: and Ahab rode, and went to Iezreel.

† Hebr. till thou come to Iezreel

46 And the hand of the LORD was on Elijah, and he girded vp his loynes and ran before Ahab, † to the entrance of Iezreel.

CHAP. XIX.

1 Elijah threatned by Iezebel, flieth to Beersheba. 4 In the wildernesse being weary of his life, is comforted by an Angel. 9 At Horeb God appeareth vnto him sending him to anoint Hazael, Iehu, and Elisha. 19 Elisha taking leaue of his friends, followeth Elijah.

AND Ahab told Iezebel all that Elijah had done, and withall, how he had slaine all the Prophets with the sword.

2 Then Iezebel sent a messenger vnto Elijah, saying, So let the gods doe to me, and more also, if I make not thy life, as the life of one of them, by to morrow about this time.

3 And when he saw *that*, he arose and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongeth to Iudah, and left his seruant there.

4 ¶ But he himselfe went a daies iourney into the wildernes, & came and sate downe vnder a iuniper tree: and he requested † for himself that he might die, & said, *It is* enough now, O LORD, take away my life: † for I *am* not better then my fathers.

† Hebr. for my soule.

5 And as he lay and slept vnder a Iuniper tree, behold then an Angel touched him, and said vnto him, Arise *and* eat.

6 And he looked, and behold, there was a cake baken on the coales, and a cruse of water at his † head: and he did eate and drinke, and laid him downe againe.

† Hebr. feet.

7 And the Angel of the LORD came againe the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise *and* eate, because the iourney *is* too great for thee.

8 And hee arose, and did eate and drinke, and went in the strength of that meat fourty dayes and fourty nights, vnto Horeb the mount of God.

9 ¶ And he came thither vnto a caue, and lodged there, and behold, the word of the LORD came vnto him, and hee said vnto him, What doest thou here Elijah?

10 And he said, I haue beene very iealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel haue forsaken thy Couenant, throwne downe thine Altars, and slaine thy Prophets with the sword, and I, *euen* I only am left, and they seeke my life to take it away.

11 And he said, Goe forth, and stand vpon the mount before the LORD. And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountaines, and brake in peeces the rockes before the LORD: *but* the LORD *was* not in the wind: and after the winde an earthquake *but* the LORD *was* not in the earthquake.

12 And after the earthquake, a fire, *but* the LORD *was* not in the fire: and after the fire, a still small voyce.

13 And it was so when Elijah heard *it*, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entring in of the caue: and behold, *there came* a voyce vnto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah?

14 And he said, I haue beene very iealous for the LORD God of hostes, because the children of Israel haue forsaken thy Couenant, throwne downe thine Altars, and slaine thy Prophets with the sword, and I, *euen* I only am left, and they seeke my life to take it away.

15 And the LORD said vnto him, Goe return on thy way to the wildernesse of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoynt Hazael to be king ouer Syria.

16 And Iehu the sonne of Nimshi shalt thou anoynt to be King ouer Israel, and * Elisha the sonne of Shaphat of Abel Meholah, shalt thou anoynt to be Prophet in thy roome.

17 And * it shall come to passe, that him that escapeth the sword of Hazael, shall Iehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Iehu, shall Elisha slay.

18 * Yet ‖ I haue left me seuen thousand in Israel, all the knees which haue not bowed vnto Baal, and euery mouth which hath not kissed him.

‖ Hebr. I haue caused to remain to me.

19 ¶ So hee departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelue yoke of oxen before him, and he with the twelfe: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle vpon him.

20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I pray thee, kisse my father and

s cruelty.

er, and then I will follow thee: and hee said him, † Goe backe againe: for what haue I to thee?

And he returned backe from him, and tooke a of oxen, and slew them, and boiled their flesh the instruments of the oxen, and gaue vnto eople, and they did eate: then hee arose, and after Elijah, and ministred vnto him.

CHAP. XX.

Benhadad not content with Ahabs homage, besieged Samaria. 13 By the direction of a Prophet, Syrians are slaine. 22 At the Prophet forewarning him, the Syrians trusting in the valleys come against him in Aphek. 28 By the word of the Prophet, and Gods iudgement, the Syrians are smitten. 31 The Syrians submitting themselues, Ahab saueth Benhadad away with a couenant. 35 A Prophet vnder the Parable of a prisoner, made Ahab to iudge himselfe, denounceth Gods iudgement against him.

1 Benhadad the king of Syria gathered all his hoste together, & there were thirty & two with him, & horses & charets: and he went and besieged Samaria, and warred against it.

2 And he sent messengers to Ahab king of Israel into the city, & said vnto him, Thus saith Benhadad, Thy siluer and thy gold is mine, thy wiues also and thy children, euen the goodliest are mine.

3 And the King of Israel answered, and said, My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I am thine, and all that I haue.

4 And the messengers came againe, and said, Thus speaketh Benhadad, saying, Although I haue sent vnto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliuer me thy siluer, and thy gold, and thy wiues and thy children: yet I will send my seruants vnto thee to morrow about this time, and they shall search thine house, and the houses of thy seruants: and it shall be, that whatsoeuer is † pleasant in thine eyes, they shall put it in their hand, and take it away.

5 Then the king of Israel called all the Elders of the land, and said, Marke, I pray you, and see how this man seeketh mischiefe: for hee sent vnto mee for my wiues, and for my children, and for my siluer, and for my gold, and † I denied him not.

6 And all the Elders, and all the people said vnto him, Hearken not vnto him, nor consent.

7 Wherefore he said vnto the messengers of Benhadad, Tell my lord the King, All that thou didst send vnto thy seruant at the first, I will doe: but this thing I may not doe. And the messengers departed, and brought him word againe.

8 And Benhadad sent vnto him, and said, The Gods doe so vnto me, and more also, if the dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that follow me.

9 And the King of Israel answered, and said: Tell him, Let not him that girdeth on his harneſſe, boaſt himſelfe, as he that putteth it off.

10 And it came to passe when Benhadad heard this message (as he was drinking, he and the kings in the pauilions) that hee said vnto his seruants, Set your ſelues in aray. And they set themſelues in aray against the city.

11 And behold, there † came a Prophet vnto Ahab king of Israel, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Seeſt thou not all this great multitude? behold, I will deliuer it into thine hand this day, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

12 And Ahab said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD, Euen by the ‖ young men of the Princes of the Prouinces. Then he said, Who shall † order the battell? and he answered, Thou.

† Hebr. bind, or tie.

13 Then he numbred the yong men of the Princes of the Prouinces, & they were two hundred & thirty two: and after them he numbred all the people, euen all † children of Israel, being seuen thousand.

14 And they went out at noone: But Benhadad was drinking himſelfe drunke in † pauilions, he and the kings, the thirty & two kings that helped him.

15 And the yong men of the Princes of the Prouinces went out first, and Benhadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men come out of Samaria.

16 And hee said, Whether they be come out for peace, take them aliue: or whether they be come out for warre, take them aliue.

17 So these yong men of the Princes of the Prouinces came out of the city, and the army which followed them:

18 And they slew euery one his man: and the Syrians fled, and Israel pursued them: and Benhadad the King of Syria escaped on an horse with the horsemen.

19 And the King of Israel went out, and smote the horses and charets, and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter.

20 ¶ And the Prophet came to the King of Israel, and said vnto him, Goe strengthen thy ſelfe, and marke & see what thou doest: for at the returne of the yeere † king of Syria will come vp against thee.

21 And the seruants of the king of Syria said vnto him, Their gods are gods of the hils, therefore they were stronger then we: but let vs fight against them in the plaine, & surely we ſhalbe stronger then they.

22 And doe this thing, Take the Kings away, euery man out of his place, and put captaines in their roomes.

23 And number thee an army, like the army † that is fallen from thee, horse for horse, and charet for charet: and we will fight against them in the plaine; and surely we ſhall be stronger then they. And he hearkened vnto their voyce, and did so.

† Hebr. that was fallen.

24 And it came to passe at the returne of the yeere, that Benhadad numbred the Syrians, and went vp to Aphek, † to fight against Israel.

† Hebr. to the warre with Israel, or, were vittualled.

25 And the children of Israel were numbred, and ‖ were all present, and went against them: and the children of Israel pitched before them, like two little flockes of kidde: but the Syrians filled the country.

26 ¶ And there came a man of God, and spake vnto the king of Israel & said, Thus saith the LORD, Because the Syrians haue said, The LORD *is* God of the hilles, but he *is* not God of the valleys: therefore will I deliuer all this great multitude into thine hand, & ye ſhall know that I am the LORD.

27 And they pitched one ouer against the other seuen dayes: & so it was, that in the seuenth day the battell was ioyned: & the children of Israel slew of the Syrians an hundred thousand footmen in one day.

28 But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city, and there a wall fell vpon twenty and seuen thousand of the men that were left: and Benhadad fled, and came into the city, ‖ into an inner chamber.

29 ¶ And his seruants said vnto him, Behold now we haue heard that the Kings of the house of Israel are mercifull Kings: let vs I pray thee, put sackecloth on our loynes, and ropes vpon our heads, and goe out to the King of Israel, peraduenture he will saue thy life.

‖ Or, from chamber to chamber. Hebr. into a chamber.

30 So they girded sackcloth on their loynes, and put ropes on their heads, and came to the king of Israel,

Israel, and said, Thy seruant Benhadad saith, I pray thee, let me liue. And he said, Is he yet aliue? hee is my brother.

33 Now the men did diligently obserue whether any thing would come from him, and did hastily catch it: and they said, Thy brother Benhadad. Then he said, Goe ye, bring him: Then Benhadad came forth to him, and he caused him to come vp into the charet.

34 And *Benhadad* said vnto him, The cities which my father tooke from thy father, I will restore, and thou shalt make streetes for thee in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. Then *said Ahab*, I will send thee away with this couenant. So he made a couenant with him, & sent him away.

35 ¶ And a certaine man of the sons of the Prophets, said vnto his neighbour in the word of the LORD, Smite mee, I pray thee. And the man refused to smite him.

36 Then said he vnto him, Because thou hast not obeyed the voyce of the LORD, behold, assoone as thou art departed from me, a Lyon shall slay thee. And assoone as he was departed from him, a Lyon found him, and slew him.

37 Then he found another man, and said, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man smote him, so that in † smiting he wounded *him*.

† Hebr. smiting & wounding.

38 So the Prophet departed, and waited for the King by the way, and disguised himselfe with ashes vpon his face.

39 And as the King passed by, he cryed vnto the King, and he said, Thy seruant went out into the midst of the battell, and behold, a man turned aside, and brought a man vnto me, and said, Keepe this man: if by any meanes hee be missing, then shall thy life be for his life, or els thou shalt † pay a talent of siluer.

† Hebr. weigh.

40 And as thy seruant was busie here and there, ‡ he was gone. And the king of Israel said vnto him, So *shall* thy iudgement *be*, thy selfe hast decided *it*.

‡ Hebr. he was not.

41 And hee hasted, and tooke the ashes away from his face, and the King of Israel discerned him, that he *was* of the Prophets:

42 And he said vnto him, Thus saith the LORD, *Because thou hast let goe out of *thy* hand, a man whom I appointed to vtter destruction, therefore thy life shall goe for his life, and thy people for his people.

* Chap. 22. 28.

43 And the king of Israel went to his house heauy, and displeased, and came to Samaria.

CHAP. XXI.

1 *Ahab being denied Naboths vineyard, is grieued.* 5 *Iezebel writing letters against Naboth, he is condemned of blasphemy.* 15 *Ahab taketh possession of the vineyard.* 17 *Elijah denounceth Iudgements against Ahab and Iezebel.* 25 *Wicked Ahab repenting, God deferreth the Iudgement.*

AND it came to passe after these things, that Naboth the Iezreelite had a vineyard, which *was* in Iezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

2 And Ahab spake vnto Naboth, saying, Giue me thy vineyard, ‡ I may haue it for a garden of herbs, because it *is* neere vnto my house, & I will giue thee for it a better vineyard then it, or if it seeme good to thee, I will giue thee the worth of it in money.

‡ Hebr. be good in thine eyes.

3 And Naboth said to Ahab, The LORD forbid it me, that I should giue the inheritance of my fathers vnto thee

4 And Ahab came into his house heauy, and displeased, because of the word which Naboth the Iezreelite had spoken to him: for hee had said, I will not giue thee the inheritance of my fathers [illegible] laid him downe vpon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread.

5 ¶ But Iezebel his wife came to him, and [illegible] vnto him, Why is thy spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread?

6 And he said vnto her, Because I spake vnto Naboth the Iezreelite, and said vnto him, Giue me thy vineyard for money, or els if it please thee, I will giue thee *another* vineyard for it: And he answered, I will not giue thee my vineyard.

7 And Iezebel his wife said vnto him, Dost thou now gouerne the kingdome of Israel? Arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will giue thee the vineyard of Naboth the Iezreelite.

8 So she wrote letters in Ahabs name, and [illegible] led *them* with his seale, and sent the letters vnto the Elders, and to the Nobles that were in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

9 And she wrote in the letters saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth † on high among the people:

10 And set two men, sons of Belial before him, to beare witnesse against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the King: and then carry him out, and stone him that he may die.

11 And the men of his city, *euen* the Elders and the Nobles, who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Iezebel had sent vnto them, *and as it was* written in † letters which she had sent vnto them.

12 They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.

13 And there came in two men, children of Belial and sate before him: and the men of Belial witnessed against him, *euen* against Naboth, in the presence of † people, saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the king. Then they caried him forth out of the city & stoned him with stones that he died.

14 Then they sent to Iezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead.

15 ¶ And it came to passe when Iezebel heard that Naboth was stoned and was dead, that Iezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Iezreelite, which hee refused to giue thee for money, for Naboth is not aliue, but dead.

16 And it came to passe, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose vp to goe downe to the vineyard of Naboth the Iezreelite, to take possession of it.

17 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Eliah the Tishbite, saying,

18 Arise, goe downe to meet Ahab king of Israel which *is* in Samaria, behold, he *is* in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone downe to possesse it.

19 And thou shalt speake vnto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speake vnto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, euen thine.

20 And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And hee answered, I haue found *thee*: because thou hast sold thy selfe to worke euill in the sight of the LORD.

21 Behold, *I will bring euill vpon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab * him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut vp and left in Israel,

22 And will make thine house like the house of *Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, and like the house of * Baasha the son of Ahijah for the prouocation wherewith thou hast prouoked me to anger, and made Israel to sinne.

Bolial. wicked, vnprofitable, also the Deuil

lying spirit 22.

25 of Iezebel also spake the LORD, saying, ‖ dogges shall eate Iezebel by the ‖ wall of

24 him that dyeth of Ahab in the city, the dogges ‖ eate: and him that dyeth in the field, shall ‖ fowles of the ayre eate.

25 ¶ But there was none like vnto Ahab, which ‖ did himselfe to worke wickednesse in the sight ‖ of the LORD, whom Iezebel his wife ‖ stirred vp.

26 And hee did very abominably in following ‖ idols, according to all things, as did the Amorites, ‖ whom the LORD cast out before the children of

27 ¶ And it came to passe, when Ahab heard those ‖ words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth ‖ vpon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackeloth, and ‖ went softly.

28 And the word of the LORD came to Elijah ‖ the Tishbite, saying,

29 ¶ Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himselfe before ‖ me? because he humbleth himselfe before me, ‖ I will not bring the euill in his dayes: but in his ‖ sonnes dayes will I bring the euill vpon his house.

CHAP. XXII.

Ahab seduced by false Prophets, according to the word of Micaiah is slaine at Ramoth Gilead. The dogs licke vp his blood, and Ahazia succeedeth him. 41 Iehoshaphats good raigne, 45 his ‖ death. 50 Iehoram succeedeth him. 51 Ahazia his raigne.

1 ¶ And they continued three yeeres without ‖ warre betweene Syria and Israel.

2 And it came to passe on the third yeere, that ‖ Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah came downe to the ‖ King of Israel.

3 And the King of Israel said vnto his seruants ‖ Know ye that Ramoth in Gilead is ours, and we be ‖ still, and take it not out of the hand of the King ‖ of Syria?

4 And he said vnto Iehoshaphat, Wilt thou goe ‖ with me to battell to Ramoth Gilead? and Iehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, *I am as thou art ‖ mine, as thy people, my horses as thy horses.

5 And Iehoshaphat said vnto the King of Israel, ‖ Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

6 Then the king of Israel gathered the Prophets ‖ together, about foure hundred men, and said vnto ‖ them, Shall I goe against Ramoth Gilead to battel, ‖ or shall I forbeare? And they said, Goe vp, for the ‖ Lord shall deliuer it into the hand of the King.

7 And Iehoshaphat said, Is there not here a Pro- ‖ phet of the LORD besides, that we might enquire of ‖ him?

8 And the King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat, ‖ There is yet one man (Micaiah the sonne of Imlah) ‖ by whom we may enquire of the LORD, but I hate ‖ him: for he doth not prophesie good concerning ‖ me, but euill. And Iehoshaphat said, Let not the ‖ King say so.

9 Then the King of Israel called an ‖ officer, and ‖ said, Fetch hither Micaiah the son of Imlah.

10 And the King of Israel, and Iehoshaphat the ‖ King of Iudah, sate each on his throne, hauing put ‖ on their robes, in a † void place in the entrance of ‖ the gate of Samaria, and all the Prophets prophesied ‖ before them.

11 And Zedekiah the sonne of Chenaanah made ‖ him hornes of yron, and hee said, Thus saith the ‖ LORD, With these shalt thou push the Syrians, vntill ‖ they be consumed.

12 And all the Prophets prophesied so, saying: ‖ Go vp to Ramoth Gilead, and prosper; for the ‖ LORD shall deliuer *it* into the Kings hand.

13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah, spake vnto him, saying, Behold now, the words of the Prophets *declare* good vnto the King with ‖ one mouth: let thy word, I pray thee, be like the ‖ word of one of them, & speake *that which is* good.

14 And Micaiah said, As the LORD liueth, what ‖ the LORD saith vnto me, that will I speake.

15 ¶ So he came to the King, and the King said ‖ vnto him, Micaiah, shall wee goe against Ramoth ‖ Gilead to battell, or shall we forbeare? And hee ‖ answered him, Goe, and prosper: for the LORD ‖ shall deliuer *it* into the hand of the King.

16 And the King said vnto him, How many times ‖ shall I adiure thee, that thou tell mee nothing but ‖ that which is true, in the Name of the LORD?

17 And he said, I saw all Israel scattered vpon the ‖ hills, as sheepe that haue not a shepheard. And the ‖ LORD said, These haue no master, let them returne ‖ euery man to his house in peace.

18 And the king of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat, ‖ Did I not tell thee that hee would prophesie noe ‖ good concerning me, but euill?

19 And he said, Heare thou therefore the word of ‖ the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his Throne, ‖ and all the hoste of heauen standing by him, on his ‖ right hand and on his left.

20 And the LORD said, Who shall ‖ perswade ‖ Ahab, that he may goe vp and fall at Ramoth-Gilead? And one said on this manner, and another ‖ said on that manner. ‖ Or, deceiue.

21 And there came foorth a spirit, and stood be- ‖ fore the LORD, and said, I will perswade him.

22 And the LORD said vnto him, wherewith? ‖ And he said, I will goe forth, and I will be a lying ‖ spirit in the mouth of all his Prophets. And hee ‖ said, Thou shalt perswade him, and preuaile also: ‖ Goe forth and doe so.

23 Now therefore behold, the LORD hath put a ‖ lying spirit in the mouth of all these thy Prophets, ‖ and the LORD hath spoken euill concerning thee.

24 But Zedekiah the sonne of Chenaanah went ‖ neere, and smote Micaiah on the cheeke, and said, ‖ *which way went the spirit of the LORD from ‖ me, to speake vnto thee? * 2 Chron. 18.23.

25 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see in ‖ that day, when thou shalt goe ‖ into an inner cham- ‖ ber to hide thy selfe. ‖ Or, from chamber to chamber. Heb. chamber in a chamber.

26 And the King of Israel said, Take Micaiah, ‖ and carry him backe vnto Amon the Gouernour of ‖ the city, and to Ioash the Kings sonne:

27 And say, thus saith the King, Put this fellow ‖ in the Prison, & feede him with bread of affliction, ‖ and with water of affliction, vntill I come in peace.

28 And Micaiah said, If thou returne at all in ‖ peace the LORD hath not spoken by me. And hee ‖ said, Hearken, O people, euery one of you.

29 So the King of Israel, and Iehoshaphat the ‖ King of Iudah went vp to Ramoth Gilead.

30 And the King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat ‖ I will disguise my selfe, and enter into the bat- ‖ tell, but put thou on thy robes. And the King of ‖ Israel disguised himselfe, & went into the battell. ‖ Or, when he was to disguise himselfe, and enter vnto the battell.

31 But the King of Syria commanded his thirty ‖ and two captaines that had rule ouer his charets, ‖ saying, Fight neither with small nor great saue only ‖ with the King of Israel.

32 And it came to passe, when the captaines of ‖ the charets saw Iehoshaphat, that they said, surely ‖ it is the King of Israel. And they turned aside to ‖ fight against him: and Iehoshaphat cryed out.

33 And it came to passe, when the captaines of

the charets perceiued that it was not the King of Israel, that they turned backe from pursuing him.

† Hebr. in his simplicity.

34 And a certaine man drew a bow † at a venture, and smote the King of Israel betweene the † ioynts of the harneſſe: wherefore hee ſaid vnto the driuer of his charet, Turne thine hand, and carry me out of the hoaſt, for I am † wounded.

† Hebr. Ioynts & the breſt-plate.

35 And the battell † increaſed that day: and the King was ſtayed vp in his charet againſt the Syrians, and dyed at Euen: and the blood ranne out of the wound, into the † midſt of the charet.

† Hebr. made ſticke.

36 And there went a Proclamation throughout the hoſt, about the going downe of the Sunne, ſaying, Euery man to his city, and euery man to his owne countrey.

† Hebr. aſcended.

37 ¶ So the King dyed, and † was brought to Samaria, and they buried the King in Samaria.

† Hebr. came.

38 And one waſhed the charet in the poole of Samaria, and the dogs licked vp his blood, and they waſhed his armour according * vnto the word of the LORD which he ſpake.

* Chap. 21.19.

39 Now the reſt of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the iuory houſe that he made, & all the cities that he built: are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

40 So Ahab ſlept with his fathers, and Ahaziah his ſonne reigned in his ſtead.

* 2. Chro. 20.31.

41 ¶ And * Iehoſhaphat the ſonne of Aſa began to reigne ouer Iudah in the fourth yeere of Ahab King of Israel.

42 Iehoſhaphat was thirty and fiue yeeres old when he began to reigne, and hee reigned twenty and fiue yeeres in Ieruſalem: and his mothers name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

43 And hee walked in all the waies of Aſa his father, hee turned not aſide from it, doing that which was right in the eyes of the LORD: neuertheleſſe, the high places were not taken away: for the people offred, & burnt incenſe yet in the high places.

44 And Iehoſhaphat made peace with the King of Israel.

45 Now the reſt of the acts of Iehoſhaphat, and his might that he ſhewed, and how he warred, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

46 And the remnant of the Sodomites, which remained in the daies of his father Aſa, he tooke out of the land.

47 There was then no King in Edom: a deputy was King.

48 Iehoſhaphat † made ſhips of Tharſhiſh to go to Ophir for gold: but they went not, for the ſhips were broken at Ezion Geber.

† Hebr. made ſhips.

49 Then ſaid Ahaziah the ſonne of Ahab vnto Iehoſhaphat, Let my ſeruants goe with thy ſeruants in the ſhips: But Iehoſhaphat would not.

50 ¶ And Iehoſhaphat ſlept with his fathers, and was buryed with his fathers in the citye of Dauid his father: and Ieboram his ſonne raigned in his ſtead.

51 ¶ Ahaziah the ſonne of Ahab began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, the ſeuenteenth yeere of Iehoſhaphat King of Iudah, and reigned two yeeres ouer Israel.

52 And he did euill in the ſight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Ieroboam the ſonne of Nebat, who made Israel to ſinne.

53 For he ſerued Baal, and worſhipped him, and prouoked to anger the LORD God of Israel, according vnto all that his father had done.

¶ THE SECOND BOOKE OF THE KINGS, commonly called, The fourth Booke of the Kings.

CHAP. I.

Moab rebelleth. 2 Ahaziah ſending to Baal-Zebub, hath his iudgement by Eliiah. 5 Eliiah twice bringeth fire from heauen, vpon them whom Ahaziah ſent to apprehend him. 13 He pitieth the third captaine, and encouraged by an Angel ſlieth the King of his death. 17 Ieboram ſucceedeth Ahaziah.

* Chap. 3.5.

THen Moab rebelled againſt Israel, * after the death of Ahab.

2 And Ahaziah fell downe thorow a latteſſein his vpper chamber, that *was* in Samaria, and was ſicke: and he ſent meſſengers, and ſaid vnto them, Goe enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, whether I ſhall recouer of this diſeaſe.

3 But the Angel of the LORD ſaid to Eliiah the Tiſhbite, Ariſe, Goe vp to meete the meſſengers of the King of Samaria, and ſay vnto them, *Is* it not becauſe there is not a God in Israel, *that* ye goe to enquire of Baal-zebub the God of Ekron?

4 Now therefore thus ſaith the LORD, † Thou ſhalt not come downe from that bed on which thou art gone vp, but ſhalt ſurely die. And Elijah departed.

† Hebr. the bed whether thou art gone vp, thou ſhalt not come downe from it.

5 ¶ And when the meſſengers turned backe vnto him, he ſaid vnto them, Why are yee now turned backe?

6 And they ſaid vnto him, There came a man vp to meete vs, and ſaid vnto vs, Goe, turne againe vnto the King that ſent you, and ſay vnto him, Thus ſaith the LORD, *Is* it not becauſe there is not a God in Israel, *that* thou ſendeſt to enquire of Baal-zebub the God of Ekron? Therefore thou ſhalt not come downe from that bed on which thou art gone vp, but ſhalt ſurely die.

7 And he ſaid vnto them, † What manner of man *was he* which came vp to meete you, and told you theſe words?

8 And they anſwered him, He was an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loynes. And he ſaid, It *is* Eliiah the Tiſhbite.

9 Then the King ſent vnto him a captaine of fifty, with his fifty: and he went vp to him, (And behold, he ſate on the top of an hill) and he ſpake to him, Thou man of God, the King hath ſaid, Come downe.

10 And Eliiah anſwered, and ſaid to the captaine of fifty, If I *be* a man of God, then let fire come downe from heauen and conſume thee and thy fifty. And there came downe fire from heauen, and conſumed him and his fifty.

11 Againe alſo he ſent vnto him another captaine of fifty with his fifty: And he anſwered, and ſaid vnto him, O man of God, Thus hath the King ſaid, Come downe quickly.

12 And Eliiah anſwered, and ſaid vnto them, If I *be* a man of God, Let fire come downe from heauen and conſume thee and thy fifty. And the fire of

downe from heauen, and consumed him and
s.
¶ And he sent againe a captaine of the third
with his fifty: and the third captaine of fifty
vp, and came and † fell on his knees before
, and besought him, and said vnto him, Oh
of God, I pray thee, let my life and the life of
fifty thy seruants be precious in thy sight.
Behold, there came fire downe from heauen,
nt vp the two captaines of the former fif-
with their fifties, therefore let my life now be
ous in thy sight.
And the Angel of the LORD said vnto Elijah,
downe with him, be not afraid of him. And he
ood went downe with him vnto the King.
And he said vnto him, Thus saith the LORD,
asmuch as thou hast sent messengers to enquire
Baal-zebub the god of Ekron (is it not because
is no God in Israel, to enquire of his word?)
ore thou shalt not come downe off that bed,
ich thou art gone vp, but shalt surely die.
So he died, according to the word of the
which Elijah had spoken: and Ieboram reig-
his stead, in the second yeere of Iehoram, the
Iehoshaphat King of Iudah, because he had
.
Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he
, are they not written in the booke of the Chro-
of the Kings of Israel?

CHAP. II.

Elijah taking his leaue of Elisha, with his mantle diuideth Iordan, 9 and granting Elisha his request, goeth vp by a fiery chariot into heauen. 12 Elisha returneth ouer Iordan with Elijahs mantle, is acknowledged successour. 16 The yong Prophets hardly obtained to seeke Elijah: could not find him. 19 With salt healeth the vnwholesome waters. 23 Deuoureth the children that mocked Elisha.

And it came to passe, when the LORD would
ke vp Elijah into heauen by a whirlewind,
ijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.
And Elijah said vnto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray
e, for the LORD hath sent me to Bethel: and
Elisha said vnto him, As the LORD liueth, and as
soule liueth, I will not leaue thee. So they went
wne to Bethel.
And the sons of the Prophets that were at Be-
el came forth to Elisha, and said vnto him, Know-
st thou that the LORD will take away thy master
m from thy head to day? And he said, Yea, I know it,
ld you ye peace.
And Elijah said vnto him, Elisha, tarry here, I
ray thee, for the LORD hath sent me to Iericho: And
said, As the LORD liueth, and as thy soule liueth,
will not leaue thee. So they came to Iericho.
And the sons of the Prophets that were at Ie-
cho came to Elisha, and said vnto him, Knowest
ou that the LORD will take away thy master from
y head to day? And he answered, Yea, I know it,
old you peace.
And Elijah said vnto him, Tarry I pray thee,
re the LORD hath sent me to Iordan: And
he said, As the LORD liueth, and as thy soule liueth,
will not leaue thee. And they two went on.
And fifty men of the sonnes of the Prophets
went, & stood to view afarre off: and they two
od by Iordan.
And Elijah tooke his mantle, and wrapt it to-
ether, and smote the waters, and they were diui-
ded hither and thither, so that they two went ouer
on dry ground.
And it came to passe when they were gone
ouer, that Elijah said vnto Elisha, Aske what I shall
doe for thee, before I be taken away from thee:
and Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion
of thy spirit be vpon me.
And he said, † Thou hast asked a hard thing:
nevertheless, if thou see me, when I am taken from
thee, it shall be so vnto thee: but if not, it shall not
be so.
And it came to passe, as they still went on and
talked, that behold, there appeared a charet of fire,
and horses of fire & parted them both asunder, and
Elijah went vp by a whirlewind into heauen.
And Elisha saw it and he cryed, My father,
my father, the charet of Israel, and the horsemen
thereof. And he saw him no more: and hee tooke
hold of his owne clothes, and rent them in two
pieces.
He tooke vp also the mantle of Elijah, that
fell from him, and went backe, and stood by the
† banke of Iordan.
And he tooke the mantle of Elijah, that fell
from him and smote the waters, and said, Where is
the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had
smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither:
and Elisha went ouer.
And when the sons of the Prophets, which were
to view at Iericho, saw him, they said, the spirit of
Elijah doth rest on Elisha: And they came to meet
him, & bowed themselues to the ground before him.
¶ And they said vnto him, Behold now there
be with thy seruants fifty † strong men: let them goe
we pray thee, and seeke thy master, lest peraduen-
ture the spirit of the LORD hath taken him vp,
and cast him vpon † some mountaine: or into some
valley. And he said, Ye shall not send.
And when they vrged him, till hee was asha-
med, he said, Send. They sent therefore fifty men,
and they sought three dayes but found him not.
And when they came againe to him, (for hee
tarried at Iericho) he said vnto them, Did I not say
vnto you, Goe not?
¶ And the men of the city said vnto Elisha,
Behold, I pray thee the situation of this city is plea-
sant as my lord seeth: but the water is naught, and
the ground † barren.
And he said, bring me a new cruse, and put salt
therein, and they brought it to him.
And he went forth vnto the spring of the wa-
ters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith
the LORD, I haue healed these waters, there shall
not be from thence any more death, or barren land.
So the waters were healed vnto this day, ac-
cording to the saying of Elisha, which he spake.
¶ And he went vp from thence vnto Bethel:
and as he was goeing vp by the way, there came
forth little children out of the city, and mocked
him, and said vnto him, Goe vp thou bald-head,
Goe vp thou bald-head.
And he turned backe, and looked on them,
and cursed them in the Name of the LORD: and
there came forth two she Beares out of the wood,
and tare fourty and two children of them.
And he went from thence to mount Carmel,
and from thence he returned to Samaria.

CHAP. III.

Ieboram reigne. 4 Mesha rebelleth. 6 Ieboram with Iehoshaphat, and the king of Edom, being distressed for want of water, by Elisha obtaineth water and promise of victory. 21 The Moabites deceiued by the colour of the water comming to spoile, are ouercome. 26 The King of Moab by sacrificing the King of Edoms sonne, raiseth the siege.

Now

1 Cor. 2.9

† Hebr. thou hast done hard in asking.

*Eccl. 48.9. 1. mac. 2.58.

*Chap. 13.14.

† Heb. lip.

*Vers. 7.

† Hebr. sonnes of strength.

† Hebr. one of the mountaines.

† Hebr. causing to miscary.

Ps. 15.3. Isa. 59.4. 14. Eccl. 27.28. Mat. 21. 31. Mar. 15.30. Luke. 23. 35. 1. Cor. 15. 35.

NOw Iehoram the ſon of Ahab began to raine ouer Iſrael in Samaria, the eighteenth yeere of Iehoſhaphat King of Iudah, and reigned twelue yeeres.

2 And hee wrought euill in the ſight of the LORD, but not like his father, and like his mother: for he put away the † image of Baal, that his father had made.

† Hebr. ſtatue.

3 Neuertheleſſe, hee cleaued vnto the ſinnes of Ieroboam the ſonne of Nebat, which made Iſrael to ſinne; he departed not there from.

4 ¶ And Meſha King of Moab was a ſheepe-maſter, and rendred vnto the King of Iſrael an hundred thouſand lambes, and an hundred thouſand rammes, with the wooll.

5 But it came to paſſe when *Ahab was dead, that the King of Moab rebelled againſt the king of Iſrael.

*Chap. 1. 1.

6 ¶ And King Iehoram went out of Samaria the ſame time, and numbred all Iſrael.

7 And he went and ſent to Iehoſhaphat the King of Iudah, ſaying, The King of Moab hath rebelled againſt me: Wilt thou goe with mee againſt Moab, to battell? and he ſaid, I will goe vp: * I am as thou art, my people as thy people, and my horſes as thy horſes.

* 1. Kings 22. 4.

8 And he ſaid, Which way ſhall we goe vp? And he anſwered, The way thorow the wilderneſs of Edom.

9 So the King of Iſrael went, and the King of Iudah, and the King of Edom: and they fetcht a compaſſe of ſeuen daies iourney: & there was no water for the hoſte, & for the cattel that followed them.

† Hebr. at their feet.

10 And the King of Iſrael ſaid, Alas that the LORD hath called theſe three Kings together, to deliuer them into the hand of Moab.

11 But Iehoſhaphat ſaid, Is there not here a Prophet of the LORD, that we may enquire of the LORD by him? And one of the King of Iſraels ſeruants anſwered, and ſaid, Here is Eliſha the ſonne of Shaphat, which powred water on the hands of Elijah.

12 And Iehoſhaphat ſaid, The word of the LORD is with him: So the King of Iſrael, and Iehoſhaphat, and the King of Edom went downe to him.

13 And Eliſha ſaid vnto the King of Iſrael, What haue I to doe with thee? Get thee to the Prophets of thy father, and to the Prophets of thy mother. And the King of Iſrael ſaid vnto him: Nay, for the LORD hath called theſe three Kings together to deliuer them into the hand of Moab.

14 And Eliſha ſaid, as the LORD of hoſtes liueth, before whom I ſtand, Surely were it not that I regard the preſence of Iehoſhaphat the King of Iudah, I would not looke toward thee, nor ſee thee.

15 But now bring me a minſtrell. And it came to paſſe when the minſtrell played, that the hand of the LORD came vpon him.

16 And he ſaid, Thus ſaith the LORD, Make this vally full of ditches.

17 For thus ſaith the LORD, Yee ſhall not ſee wind, neither ſhall yee ſee raine, yet that valley ſhal be filled with water, that ye may drinke, both yee, and your cattell, and your beaſtes.

18 And this is but a light thing in the ſight of the LORD, hee will deliuer the Moabites alſo into your hand.

19 And ye ſhall ſmite euery fenced city and euery choyce city, and ſhall fell euery good tree, and ſtop all welles of water, and † marre euery good piece of land with ſtones.

† Hebr. grieue.

20 And it came to paſſe in the morning, when the meat offering was offered, that behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the countrey was filled with water.

21 ¶ And when all the Moabites heard that the Kings were come vp to fight againſt them, they † gathered all that were able to † put on armour, and vpward, and ſtood in the border.

† Hebr. girded.

22 And they roſe vp early in the morning, and the Sunne ſhone vpon the water, and the Moabites ſaw the water on the other ſide as red as blood.

23 And they ſaid, This is blood: The Kings are ſurely † ſlaine, and they haue ſmitten one another: now therefore, Moab, to the ſpoile.

† Hebr. ſmitten.

24 And when they came to the campe of Iſrael, the Iſraelites roſe vp and ſmote the Moabites, ſo that they fled before them: but they went forward, ſmiting the Moabites, euen in their countrey.

25 And they beat downe the cities, and on euery good piece of land caſt euery man his ſtone, and filled it, and they ſtopped all the welles of water, and felled all the good trees: † only in Kirharaſeth left they the ſtones thereof: howbeit the ſlingers went about it, and ſmote it.

† Hebr. in Kirharaſeth.

26 ¶ And when the King of Moab ſaw that the battell was too ſore for him, he tooke with him ſeuen hundred men that drew ſwords, to breake through euen vnto the King of Edom: but they could not.

27 Then he tooke his eldeſt ſonne that ſhould haue reigned in his ſtead, and offered him for a burnt offering vpon the walle: and there was great indignation againſt Iſrael: and they departed from him, and returned to their owne land.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *Eliſha multiplyeth the widowes oyle.* 8 *He teacheth a woman to be liberall vnto the good Shunammite.* 18 *Hee raiſeth againe her dead ſon.* 38 *At Gilgal he healeth the deadly pottage.* 42 *He ſatisfieth an hundred men with twenty loaues.*

NOw there cried a certaine woman, of the wiues of the ſonnes of the Prophets, vnto Eliſha, ſaying, Thy ſeruant my husband is dead, and thou knoweſt that thy ſeruant did feare the LORD: and the creditor is come to take vnto him my two ſonnes to be bondmen.

2 And Eliſha ſaid vnto her, What ſhall I do for thee? Tell me, what haſt thou in the houſe? And ſhe ſaid, Thine handmaid *hath* not any thing in the houſe, ſaue a pot of oile.

3 Then he ſaid, Goe borrow thee veſſels abroad of all thy neighbours, *euen* empty veſſels, borrow not a few.

4 And when thou art come in, thou ſhalt ſhut the doore vpon thee, and vpon thy ſonnes, and ſhalt powre out into all thoſe veſſels, and thou ſhalt ſet aſide that which is full.

5 So ſhe went from him, and ſhut the doore vpon her, and vpon her ſons; who brought *the veſſels* to her, and ſhe powred out.

6 And it came to paſſe when the veſſels were full, that ſhe ſaid vnto her ſonne, Bring me yet a veſſell. And he ſaid vnto her, *There is* not a veſſell more. And the oile ſtayed.

7 Then ſhe came and told the man of God. And he ſaid, Goe ſell the oyle, and pay thy debt, and liue thou and thy children of the reſt.

8 ¶ And † it fell on a day, that Eliſha paſſed to Shunem, where was a great woman: and ſhe † conſtrained him to eat bread: And ſo it was, that as he paſſed by, he turned in thither to eate bread.

† Hebr. it was. † Hebr. held him faſt.

9 And ſhe ſaid vnto her husband, Behold now, I perceiue that this is an holy man of God, which paſſeth by vs continually.

10 Let vs make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall, & let vs ſet for him there a bedde, and a table, and a ſtoole, and a candleſtick: and it ſhall be

meth to vs, that hee shall turne in thither.
nd it fell on a day that he came thither, and
med into the chamber, and lay there.
nd he said to Gehazi his seruant, Call this
mmite. And when hee had called her, shee
before him.
And he said vnto him, Say now vnto her, Be-
, thou hast beene carefull for vs with all this
What is to be done for thee? Wouldest thou
ken for to the King, or to the captaine of the
? And shee answered, I dwell among mine
people.
nd he said, What then is to be done for her?
Gehazi answered, Verely shee hath no child,
er husband is old.
And he said, Call her. And when he had cal-
her, she stood in the doore.
nd he said, *About this † season, According
time of life, thou shalt embrace a son. And
id, Nay my lord, thou man of God, doe not
ie thine hand-maid.
And the woman conceiued, and bare a sonne
season, that Elisha had said vnto her, accor-
to the time of life.
And when the child was growen, it fell on
that he went out to his father to the reapers.
nd he said vnto his father, My head, my heade
said to a lad, Carry him to his mother.
nd when he had taken him, and brought him
mother, hee sate on her knees till noone, and
yed:
And she went vp and laid him on the bed of
n of God, and shut the doore vpon him, and
t.
nd shee called vnto her husband, and said,
nd, I pray thee, one of the yong men, and one
asses, that I may runne to the man of God,
me again.
nd he said, Wherefore wilt thou goe to him
it is neither new Moone, nor Sabbath. And
id, It shall be † well.
Then she sadled an asse, and said to her ser-
Drive and goe forward: † slacke not thy ri-
me, except I bid thee.
o she went, and came to the man of God to
Carmel: and it came to passe when the man
saw her afarre off, that hee said to Gehazi
uant, Behold, yonder is that Shunammite:
n now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say vnto
t well with thee? is it well with thy husband?
ell with the child? And she answered, It is well.
nd when she came to the man of God to the
e caught him by the feet: but Gehazi came
o thrust her away, and the man of God said,
e alone, for her soule is † vexed within her,
e LORD hath hid it from mee, and hath not
e.
hen she said, Did I desire a son of my LORD?
ot I say, Doe not deceiue me?
Then he said to Gehazi, Gird vp thy loynes
ke my staffe in thine hand, and goe thy way:
meet any man, salute him not: and if any
ute, answere him not againe: and lay my
pon the face of the child.
nd the mother of the child said, As the LORD
, and as thy soule liueth, I will not leaue
And he arose and followed her.
nd Gehazi passed on before them, and laid
e vpon the face of the child, but there was
voyce nor † hearing: wherefore hee went
o meet him, and told him, saying, The child
waked.

32 And when Elisha was come into the house, be-
hold the child was dead, and laid vpon his bed.
33 Hee went in therefore, and shut the doore vp-
on them twaine, and prayed vnto the LORD.
34 And he went vp and lay vpon the child, and
put his mouth vpon his mouth, and his eyes vpon
his eyes, and his hands vpon his hands, and hee
stretched himselfe vpon the child, and the flesh of
the child waxed warme.
35 Then hee returned and walked in the house
† to and fro, and went vp, and stretched himselfe
vpon him: and the child neesed seuen times, and
the child opened his eyes. † Hebr. once hither, and once thither.
36 And he called Gehazi, and said, Call this Shu-
nammite. So he called her: and when she was come
in vnto him, he said, Take vp thy sonne.
37 Then shee went in, and fell at his feet, and
bowed her selfe to the ground, and tooke vp her
sonne, and went out.
38 ¶ And Elisha came againe to Gilgal, and
there was a dearth in the land, and the sonnes of
the Prophets were sitting before him: and hee said
vnto his seruant, Set on the great pot, and seeth pot-
tage for the sonnes of the Prophets.
39 And one went out into the field to gather
herbs, and found a wilde vine, & gathered thereof
wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them
into the pot of pottage: for they knew them not.
40 So they powred out for the men to eat, and it
came to passe as they were eating of the pottage, that
they cried out, and said, O thou man of God, there is
death in the pot, and they could not eat thereof.
41 But he said, Then bring meale. And he cast it
into the pot: And he said, Powre out for the peo-
ple, that they may eate. And there was no † harme † Hebr. euill thing.
in the pot.
42 ¶ And there came a man from Baal-Shalisha,
and brought the man of God bread of the first
fruits, twenty loaues of barley, and full eares of
corne ‖ in the huske thereof: and he said, Giue vnto ‖ Or, in his scrip, or garment.
the people, that they may eate.
43 And his seruitor said, What should I set this
before an hundred men? He said againe, Giue the
people that they may eate: for thus saith the LORD.
*They shall eate and shall leaue thereof. * Luke 6.11.
44 So he set it before them, and they did eat, and
left thereof, according to the word of the LORD.

CHAP. V.

1 *Naaman by the report of a captiue maid, is sent to Samaria to be cured of his leprosie.* 8 *Elisha sending him to Iordan cureth him.* 15 *Heerefusing Naamans gifts, graunteth him some of the earth.* 20 *Gehazi abusing his masters name vnto Naaman, is † smitten with leprosie.*

NOw Naaman captaine of the hoste of † King † Hebr. before.
of Syria, was a great man † with his master, † Or, graci-
and ‖ honourable, because by him the LORD had ous. heb. lifted vp
giuen ‖ deliuerance vnto Syria: hee was also a or accepted in countenance.
mighty man in valour, but he was a leper.
2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies,
and had brought away captiue out of † land of Is- † Or, victory.
rael a little maid, & she † waited on Naamans wife. † He. was before
3 And she said vnto her mistresse, Would God
my lord were † with the Prophet that is in Samaria, † Hebr. before.
for he would † recouer him of his leprosie.
4 And one went in and told his lord, saying, Thus
and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel. † Hebr. before.
5 And the King of Syria said, Goe to, goe, and I † Hebr. gather in
will send a letter vnto the King of Israel. And hee
departed, and tooke † with him ten talents of sil- † Heb. in his hand
uer, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten chan-
ges of raiment,

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¶ And

6 And he brought the letter to the King of Israel saying, Now when this letter is come vnto thee, behold, I haue *therewith* sent Naaman my seruant to thee, that thou mayest recouer him of his leprosie.

7 And it came to passe, when the King of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, *Am* I God, to kill and to make aliue, that this man doth send vnto me to recouer a man of his leprosie? Wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrell against me.

8 ¶ And it was so when Elisha the man of God had heard ‖ the King of Israel had rent his clothes that he sent to the King, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? Let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a Prophet in Israel.

9 So Naaman came with his horses, and with his charet, & stood at the doore of the house of Elisha.

10 And Elisha sent a messenger vnto him, saying, Goe, and wash in Iordan seuen times, and thy flesh shall come againe to thee, and thou shalt be cleane.

11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, ‖ I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand and call on the Name of the LORD his God, † and strike his hand ouer the place, and recouer the leper.

12 *Are* not ‖ Abana and Pharpar, riuers of Damascus, better then all the waters of Israel? May I not wash in them and be cleane? So he turned, and went away in a rage.

13 And his seruants came neere, and spake vnto him, and said, My father, *If* the Prophet had bid thee doe some great thing, wouldest thou not haue done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash and be cleane?

14 Then went he downe, and dipped himselfe seuen times in Iordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came againe like vnto the flesh of a little child, and * he was cleane.

15 ¶ And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that *there is* no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore I pray thee, take a blessing of thy seruant.

16 But he said, As the LORD liueth, before whom I stand I will receiue none: And he vrged him to take it, but he refused.

17 And Naaman said, Shall there not then, I pray thee, be giuen to thy seruant two mules burden of earth? for thy seruant will henceforth offer neither burnt offering, nor sacrifice, vnto other gods, but vnto the LORD.

18 In this thing the LORD pardon thy seruant, *that* when my master goeth into the house of Rimmon to worship there, and he leaneth on my hand, and I bow my selfe in the house of Rimmon: when I bow downe my selfe in the house of Rimmon, the LORD pardon thy seruant in this thing.

19 And he said vnto him, Goe in peace. So he departed from him † a little way.

20 ¶ But Gehazi the seruant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not receiuing at his hands that which he brought: but *as* the LORD liueth, I will runne after him, and take somewhat of him.

21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman: and when Naaman saw him running after him hee lighted down from his charet to meet him, & said, † *Is* all well?

22 And he said, All *is* well: my master hath sent me, saying, Behold, euen now there be come to me from mount Ephraim, two yong men, of the sonnes of the Prophets: giue them, I pray thee, a talent of siluer, and two changes of garments.

23 And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents: and he vrged him, and bound two talents of siluer in two bags, with two changes of garments, and laid *them* vpon two of his seruants, and they bare *them* before him.

24 And when he came to the ‖ Tower, he took them from their hand, and bestowed *them* in the house, and he let the men goe, and they departed.

25 But he went in, and stood before his master. And Elisha said vnto him, Whence comest thou, Gehazi? And he said, Thy seruant went no whither.

26 And he said vnto him, Went not mine heart *with thee*, when the man turned againe from his charet to meet thee? *Is* it a time to receiue money, and to receiue garments, and oliue yards, and vineyards, and sheepe, and oxen, and menseruants and maid-seruants?

27 The leprosie therefore of Naaman shall cleaue vnto thee, and vnto thy seed for euer: and he went out from his presence a leper *as white as* snow.

CHAP. VI.

1 *Elisha giuing leaue to the yong Prophets to build large their dwellings, causeth yron to swim.* 8 *He discloseth the King of Syrias counsell.* 19 *The host which was sent to Dothan to apprehend Elisha, is smitten with blindnesse.* 19 *Being brought into Samaria, they are dismissed in peace.* 24 *The famine in Samaria causeth women to eat their owne children.* 30 *The King sendeth to slay Elisha.*

AND the sonnes of the Prophets said vnto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee, is too straight for vs.

2 Let vs goe, we pray thee, vnto Iordan, and take thence euery man a beame, and let vs make vs a place there where we may dwell. And he answered, Goe ye.

3 And one said, Be content I pray thee, and goe with thy seruants. And he answered, I will goe.

4 So hee went with them: and when they came to Iordan, they cut downe wood.

5 But as one was felling a beame, the † axe head fell into the water: and he cryed, and said, Alas master, for it was borrowed.

6 And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place: and he cut downe a stake, and cast *it* in thither, and the yron did swim.

7 Therefore said he, Take it vp to thee: and he put out his hand, and tooke it.

8 ¶ Then the King of Syria warred against Israel, and tooke counsell with his seruants, saying, In such and such a place *shall be* my † campe.

9 And the man of God sent vnto the King of Israel, saying, Beware that thou passe not such a place, for thither the Syrians are come downe.

10 And the King of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him, and warned him, and he saued himselfe there, not once nor twice.

11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing, and he called his seruants, and said vnto them, Will ye not shew me which of vs *is* for the King of Israel?

12 And one of his seruants said, † None my Lord O King, but Elisha the Prophet that is in Israel, telleth the King of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bed-chamber.

13 ¶ And he said, Goe and spie where he is, that I may send and fetch him. And it was told him, saying, Behold, he *is* in Dothan.

14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a † great hoste: and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

15 And when the ‖ seruant of the man of God

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6 *Or,* I haue. 8 ‖ *Or,* heard. 11 † *Hebr.* said, or I said with my selfe, He will surely come out, &c. † *Hebr.* mount vp & downe ‖ *Or,* Amana. 14 * Luke 4.27. 19 † *Hebr.* a little part of ground. 21 † *Hebr.* Is there peace. 23 ‖ *Or,* Tower. 25 ‖ *Or,* whence comest thou. 26 ‖ *Or,* Went not mine heart. 27 ‖ *Or,* white as. 5 † *Hebr.* the iron. 8 ‖ *Or,* my tents. 12 † *Hebr.* Not my Lord. 15 ‖ *Hebr.* seruant.

…ine.
…rly and gone forth, behold, an hoſte com-
…the city, both with horſes and charets: and
…ame ſaid vnto him, Alas my maſter, how
…e doe?
…d he anſwered, Feare not: for* they that
…ve, are moe then they that *be* with them.
…d Eliſha, prayed, and ſaid, LORD, I pray
…en his eyes that he may ſee. And the LORD
…the eyes of the young man, and he ſaw: and
…the mount *was* full of horſes, and cha-
…ſire round about Eliſha.
…d when they came downe to him, Eliſha
…vnto the LORD, & ſaid, ſmite this people,
…hee, with blindneſſe. And he ſmote them
…indneſſe, according to the word of Eliſha.
…And Eliſha ſaid vnto them, This *is* not the
…ther *is* this the city: *follow me, and I will
…ing you to the man, whom ye ſeeke. But he led
…to Samaria.
…d it came to paſſe when they were come
…maria, that Eliſha ſaid, LORD, open the
…heſe men, that they may ſee. And the LORD
…their eyes, and they ſaw, and behold, *they
…* the midſt of Samaria.
…nd the king of Iſrael ſaid vnto Eliſha, when
…he ſaw them, My father ſhall I ſmite *them?* ſhall I
…mite?
…d he anſwered, Thou ſhalt not ſmite *them:*
…or thou ſmite thoſe whom thou haſt taken
…with thy ſword, and with thy bow? ſet
…d water before them, that they may eat
…nke, and goe to their maſter.
…d he prepared great proviſion for them,
…en they had eaten and drunke, he ſent them
…d they went to their maſter: ſo the bands
…came no more into the land of Iſrael.
…And it came to paſſe after this, that Benha-
…d king of Syria gathered all his hoſte, and went
…beſieged Samaria.
…d there was a great famine in Samaria:
…d they beſieged it, vntill an aſſes head was
…fourſcore *pieces* of ſilver, & the fourth part
…of a cabe of doues dung for fiue *pieces* of ſilver.
…nd as the King of Iſrael was paſſing by vp-
…on the wall, there cried a woman vnto him, ſaying,
…Helpe, my lord, O King.
…nd he ſaid, If the LORD do not helpe thee,
…whence ſhall I helpe thee? out of the barne floore,
…or out of the wine preſſe?
…nd the King ſaid vnto her, What aileth
…thee? and ſhe anſwered, This woman ſaid vnto
…me, Giue thy ſonne, that we may eat him to day,
…and we will eat my ſonne to morrow.
…So* we boiled my ſon, and did eat him: and
…I ſaid vnto her on the next day, Giue thy ſon that
…we may eat him: and ſhe hath hid her ſonne.
…And it came to paſſe when the King heard the
…words of the woman, that he rent his clothes, and
…he paſſed by vpon the wall, and the people looked,
…and behold he had ſackcloth within vpon his fleſh.
…Then he ſaid, God doe ſo and more alſo to me,
…if the head of Eliſha the ſon of Shaphat, ſhall ſtand
…on him this day.
…But Eliſha ſate in his houſe, (and the Elders
…ſate with him) and the king ſent a man from before
…him: but ere the meſſenger came to him, he ſaid to
…the Elders, See ye how this ſon of a murderer hath
…ſent to take away mine head? Looke when the
…meſſenger commeth, ſhut the doore, and hold him
…faſt at the doore: *Is* not the ſound of his maſters
…feet behind him?
…And while he yet talked with them, behold,
the meſſenger came downe vnto him: and he ſaid,
Behold, this euill *is* of the LORD, what ſhould I
wait for the LORD any longer?

CHAP. VII.

1 Eliſha propheſieth incredible plenty in Samaria. 3 Foure lepers venturing on the hoſte of the Syrians, bring tidings of their flight. 12 The King finding by ſpies the newes to be true, ſpoileth the tents of the Syrians. 17 The lord who would not beleeue the propheeie of plenty, hauing the charge of the gate, is troden to death in the preaſſe.

THen Eliſha ſaid, Heare ye the word of the LORD, Thus ſaith the LORD, To morrow about this time, ſhall a meaſure of fine flowre *be ſold* for a ſhekel, and two meaſures of barley for a ſhekel, in the gate of Samaria.

2 Then † a lord on whoſe hand the King leaned, anſwered the man of God, and ſaid, Behold, *if* the LORD would make windowes in heauen, might this thing be? and he ſaid, Behold, thou ſhalt ſee *it* with thine eyes, but ſhalt not eat thereof.

† Heb. *a lord which belonged to the King, leaning vpon his hand.*

3 ¶ And there were foure leproſus men at the entring in of the gate; and they ſaid one to another, Why ſit we here vntill we die?

4 If we ſay, We will enter into the city, then the famine *is* in the city, and we ſhall die there: and if we ſit ſtill here we die alſo. Now therefore come, and let vs fall vnto the hoſte of the Syrians: if they ſaue vs aliue, we ſhall liue: and if they kill vs, we ſhall but die.

5 And they roſe vp in the twilight, to goe vnto the campe of the Syrians: and when they were come to the vttermoſt part of the campe of Syria, behold, there was no man there.

6 For the LORD had made the hoſt of the Syrians to heare a noiſe of charets, and a noiſe of horſes, *euen* the noiſe of a great hoſte: and they ſaid one to another, Lo, the King of Iſrael hath hired againſt vs the Kings of the Hittites, and the Kings of the Egyptians to come vpon vs.

7 Wherefore they aroſe, and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, & their horſes, and their aſſes, euen the campe as it *was*, and fled for their life.

8 And when theſe lepers came to the vttermoſt part of the campe, they went into one tent, and did eat and drinke, and carried thence ſilver and gold, and raiment, and went and hid it, and came againe and entred into another tent, and carried thence alſo, and went and hid it.

9 Then they ſaid one to another, We doe not well: this day is a day of good tidings, & we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, ſome miſchiefe will come vpon vs: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the kings houſhold.

† Heb. *we ſhall finde puniſhment.*

10 So they came, and called vnto the porter of the city: and they told them, ſaying, We came to the campe of the Syrians, and behold, *there was* no man there, neither voyce of man, but horſes tyed, and aſſes tyed, and the tents as they *were*.

11 And he called the porters, and they told *it* to the Kings houſe within.

12 ¶ And the King aroſe in the night, and ſaid vnto his ſeruants, I will now ſhew you what the Syrians haue done to vs: They know that we *be* hangry, therefore are they gone out of the campe, to hide themſelues in the field, ſaying, When they come out of the city, we ſhall catch them aliue, and get into the city.

13 And one of his ſeruants anſwered, & ſaid, Let ſome take, I pray thee, fiue of the horſes † remaine, which are left † in the city, (behold, they are as all the multitude of Iſrael that are left in it: behold, I ſay,

† Heb.

Iſay, they are euen as all the multitude of the Iſraelites that are conſumed) and let vs ſend and ſee.

14 They tooke therefore two charet horſes, and the King ſent after the hoſte of the Syrians, ſaying, Goe and ſee.

15 And they went after them to Iordane, and loe, all the way was full of garments, and veſſels, which the Syrians had caſt away in their haſte: and the meſſengers returned, and told the King.

16 And the people went out, and ſpoyled the tents of the Syrians: ſo a meaſure of fine flowre was ſold for a ſhekel, and two meaſures of barley for a ſhekel, according to the word of the LORD.

17 ¶ And the King appointed the Iordon whoſe hand he leaned to haue the charge of the gate: and the people trod vpon him in the gate, and he died, as the man of God had ſaid, who ſpake when the King came downe to him.

18 And it came to paſſe as the man of God had ſpoken to the King, ſaying, Two meaſures of barley for a ſhekel, and a meaſure of fine flowre for a ſhekel ſhall be to morrow about this time in the gate of Samaria:

19 And that lord anſwered the man of God, and ſaid, now behold, if the LORD ſhould make windowes, in heauen might ſuch a thing be? and he ſaid, Behold, thou ſhalt ſee it with thine eyes, but ſhalt not eat thereof.

20 And ſo it fell out vnto him: for the people trode vpon him in the gate, and he died.

CHAP. VIII.

1 The Shunnamite hauing left her country, ſeuen yeeres, to auoide the forewarned famine, for Eliſhas miracles ſake, hath her land reſtored by the King. 7 Hazael being ſent with a preſent by Benhadad to Eliſhaa Damaſcus after he had heard the propheeie, killeth his maſter and ſucceedeth him. 16 Iehorams wicked reigne in Iudah. 20 Edom and Libnah reuolt. 23 Ahaziah ſucceedeth Iehoram. 25 Ahaziahs wicked reigne. 28 He viſiteth Iehoram wounded at Iezreel.

Then ſpake Eliſha vnto the woman (* whoſe ſon he had reſtored to life) ſaying, Ariſe, and goe, thou and thine houſhold, and ſoiourne where ſoeuer thou canſt ſoiourne: for the LORD hath called for a famine, and it ſhall alſo come vpon the land ſeuen yeeres. * Chap. 4. 35.

2 And the woman aroſe, and did after the ſaying of the man of God: and ſhe went with her houſhold, and ſoiourned in the land of the Philiſtines ſeuen yeeres.

3 And it came to paſſe at the ſeuen yeeres end, that the woman returned out of the land of the Philiſtines: and ſhe went forth to cry vnto the King for her houſe, and for her land.

4 And the King talked with Gehazi the ſeruant of the man of God, ſaying, Tell me, I pray thee, all the great things that Eliſha hath done.

5 And it came to paſſe as he was telling † King, how he had reſtored a dead body to life, that behold, the woman whoſe ſon he had reſtored to life, cried to the King for her houſe, & for her land. And Gehazi ſaid, My lord, O King, this *is* the woman, and this *is* her ſon, whom Eliſha reſtored to life. † Or, Knew.

6 And when the King aſked the woman, ſhe told him. So the King appointed vnto her a certaine officer, ſaying, Reſtore all that was hers, and all the fruits of the field ſince the day that ſhe left the land, euen till now.

7 ¶ And Eliſha came to Damaſcus, and Benhadad the King of Syria was ſicke, and it was told him, ſaying, The man of God is come hither.

8 And the King ſaid vnto Hazael, Take [a preſent] in thine hand, and goe meet the man of God, and inquire of the LORD by him, ſaying, Shall I recouer of this diſeaſe?

9 So Hazael went to meet him, and tooke [a preſent] with him, euen of euery good thing of Damaſcus, forty camels burthen, and came and ſtood before him, and ſaid, Thy ſonne Benhadad King of Syria hath ſent me to thee, ſaying, Shall I recouer of this diſeaſe?

10 And Eliſha ſaid vnto him, Go, ſay vnto him, Thou mayeſt certainly recouer: howbeit the LORD hath ſhewed me, that he ſhall ſurely die.

11 And he ſetled his countenance ſtedfaſtly, till he was aſhamed: and the man of God wept.

12 And Hazael ſaid, Why weepeth my lord? and he anſwered, Becauſe I know the euill that thou wilt doe vnto the children of Iſrael: their ſtrong holds wilt thou ſet on fire, & their young men wilt thou ſlay with the ſword, and wilt daſh their children, and rip vp their women with childe.

13 And Hazael ſaid, But what, is thy ſeruant a dog, that he ſhould doe this great thing? And Eliſha anſwered, The LORD hath ſhewed me that thou *ſhalt be* King ouer Syria.

14 So he departed from Eliſha, and came to his maſter, who ſaid to him, What ſaid Eliſha to thee? And he anſwered, He told me that thou ſhouldeſt ſurely recouer.

15 And it came to paſſe on the morrow, that he tooke a thicke cloath, and dipt it in water, and ſpread *it* on his face, ſo that he died, and Hazael reigned in his ſtead.

16 ¶ And in the fift yeere of Ioram the ſonne of Ahab King of Iſrael, Iehoſhaphat *being then* King of Iudah, * Iehoram the ſon of Iehoſhaphat King of Iudah † began to reigne.

17 Thirty & two yeeres old was he when he began to reigne, & he reigned eight yeeres in Ieruſalem.

18 And he walked in the way of the kings of Iſrael, as did the houſe of Ahab: for the daughter of Ahab was his wife, and he did euill in the ſight of the LORD.

19 Yet the LORD would not deſtroy Iudah for Dauid his ſeruants ſake, * as he promiſed him, and to him alway a † light, and to his children.

20 ¶ In his dayes Edom reuolted from vnder the hand of Iudah, and made a King ouer themſelues.

21 So Ioram went ouer to Zair, & all the charets with him, and he roſe by night, and ſmote the Edomites, which compaſſed him about, and the captaines of the charets, and the people fled into their tents.

22 Yet Edom reuolted from vnder the hand of Iudah vnto this day. Then Libnah reuolted at the ſame time.

23 And the reſt of the acts of Ioram, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

24 And Ioram ſlept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of Dauid: and * Ahaziah his ſonne reigned in his ſtead.

25 ¶ In the twelfth yeere of Ioram the ſonne of Ahab King of Iſrael, did Ahaziah the ſon of Ioram King of Iudah begin to reigne.

26 Two and twenty yeeres old was Ahaziah when he began to reigne, and he reigned one yeere in Ieruſalem: and his mothers name was Athaliah the daughter of Omri King of Iſrael.

27 And he walked in the way of the houſe of Ahab, and did euill in the ſight of the LORD, as the houſe of Ahab: for he was the ſon in law of the houſe of Ahab.

† And hee went with Ioram the ſon of Ahab, to warre againſt Hazael King of Syria in Ramoth-Gilead, and the Syrians wounded Ioram.

And King Ioram went backe to be healed in Iezreel, of the wounds † which the Syrians had giuen him at Ramah, when he fought againſt Hazael King of Syria. And Ahaziah the ſon of Iehoram King of Iudah went downe to ſee Ioram the ſonne of Ahab in Iezreel, becauſe he was ſicke.

CHAP. IX.

Eliſha ſendeth a young Prophet with inſtruction to anoint Iehu at Ramoth-Gilead. 4 The Prophet doing his meſſage fleeth. 11 Iehu being King by the ſouldiers, killeth Ioram in the field of Naboth. 27 Ahaziah is ſlaine at Gur, and at Ieruſalem. 30 Proud Iezebel is throwne out of a window and eaten by dogs.

AND Eliſha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets, and ſaid vnto him, Gird vp thy loynes, and take this boxe of oyle in thine hand, and goe to Ramoth-Gilead,

2 And when thou commeſt thither, looke out there Iehu the ſonne of Iehoſhaphat, the ſonne of Nimſhi, and goe in, and make him ariſe vp from among his brethren, and carry him to an † inner chamber.

3 Then take the boxe of oyle, and powre it on his head, and ſay, Thus ſaith the LORD, I haue anointed thee King ouer Iſrael: then open the doore and flee, and tarry not.

4 So the young man, *euen* the young man the Prophet, went to Ramoth-Gilead.

5 And when he came, behold, the captaines of the hoſt were ſitting: & he ſaid, I haue an errand vnto thee, O captaine: and Iehu ſaid, Vnto which of vs all? And he ſaid, To thee, O captaine.

6 And he arоſe and went into the houſe; and he powred the oyle on his head and ſaid vnto him, Thus ſaith the LORD God of Iſrael, I haue anointed thee King ouer the people of the LORD, *euen* ouer Iſrael.

7 And thou ſhalt ſmite the houſe of Ahab thy maſter, that I may auenge the blood of my ſeruants the Prophets, and the blood of all the ſeruants of the LORD, at the hand of Iezebel.

8 For the whole houſe of Ahab ſhall periſh: and I will cut off from Ahab him that piſſeth againſt the wall, and him that is ſhut vp and left in Iſrael.

9 And I will make the houſe of Ahab like the houſe of Ieroboam the ſon of Nebat, and like the houſe of Baaſha the ſonne of Ahijah.

10 And the dogs ſhall eate Iezebel in the portion of Iezreel, and there ſhall be none to bury *her*. And he opened the doore, and fled.

11 Then Iehu came forth to the ſeruants of his maſter: and one ſaid vnto him, Is all well? wherefore came this mad fellow to thee? And he ſaid vnto them, Ye know the man and his communication.

12 And they ſaid, *It is* falſe, tell vs now: and hee ſaid, Thus and thus ſpake he to me, ſaying, Thus ſaith the LORD, I haue anointed thee King ouer Iſrael.

13 Then they haſted and tooke euery man his garment, and put it vnder him on the top of the ſtaires, and blew with trumpets, ſaying, Iehu † is King.

14 So Iehu the ſonne of Iehoſhaphat, the ſon of Nimſhi conſpired againſt Ioram. (now Ioram had kept Ramoth-Gilead: he, and all Iſrael, becauſe of Hazael King of Syria:

15 But King † Ioram was returned to bee healed in Iezreel, of the wounds which the Syrians had giuen him, when he fought with Hazael King of Syria.) And Iehu ſaid, If it be your minds, then † let none goe forth, nor eſcape out of the city, to goe to tell *it* in Iezreel.

16 So Iehu rode in a charet, and went to Iezreel, (for Ioram lay there) And Ahaziah King of Iudah was come downe to ſee Ioram.

17 And there ſtood a watchman on the tower in Iezreel, and he eſpied the company of Iehu as hee came, and ſaid, I ſee a company. And Ioram ſaid, Take an horſman, and ſend to meet them, and let him ſay, *Is it* peace?

18 So there went one on horſeback to meet him, and ſaid, Thus ſaith the King, *Is it* peace? And Iehu ſaid, What haſt thou to doe with peace? turne thee behind me. And the watchman told, ſaying, The meſſenger came to them, but he commeth not againe.

19 Then hee ſent out a ſecond on horſebacke, which came to them, and ſaid, Thus ſaith the King, *Is it* peace? And Iehu anſwered, What haſt thou to doe with peace? turne thee behind me.

20 And the watchman told, ſaying, Hee came euen vnto them, and commeth not againe: and the ‖ driuing is like the driuing of Iehu the ſonne of Nimſhi; for hee driueth furiouſly.

21 And Ioram ſaid, † Make ready. And his charet was made ready. And Ioram King of Iſrael, and Ahaziah King of Iudah went out, each in his charet, and they went out againſt Iehu, and † met him in the portion of Naboth the Iezreelite.

22 And it came to paſſe when Ioram ſaw Iehu, that hee ſaid, *Is it* peace Iehu? And hee anſwered, what peace, ſo long as the whoredomes of thy mother Iezebel, and her witchcrafts *are ſo* many?

23 And Ioram turned his hand, and fled, and ſaid to Ahaziah, There is treachery, O Ahaziah.

24 And Iehu † drew a bow with his full ſtrength and ſmote Iehoram betweene his armes, and the arrow went out at his heart, and hee † ſunke downe in his charet.

25 Then ſaid *Iehu* to Bidkar his captaine, Take vp *and* caſt him in the portion of the field of Naboth the Iezreelite: for remember, how that when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, the LORD laid this burden vpon him:

26 *Surely I haue ſeene yeſterday the † blood of Naboth, and the blood of his ſonnes, ſaid the LORD, and I will requite thee in this ‖ plat, ſayeth the LORD, Now therefore take *and* caſt him into the plat *of ground*, according to † the word of the LORD.

27 ¶ But when Ahaziah the King of Iudah ſaw *this*, he fled by the way of the garden houſe: and Iehu followed after him, and ſaid, Smite him alſo in the charet: *and they did ſo*, at the going vp to Gur, which is by Ibleam: and he fled to Megiddo, and died there.

28 And his ſeruants caried him in a charet to Ieruſalem, and buried him in the ſepulchre with his fathers in the city of Dauid.

29 And in the eleuenth yeere of Ioram the ſonne of Ahab, began Ahaziah to reigne ouer Iudah.

30 ¶ And when Iehu was come to Iezreel, Iezebel heard *of it*, and ſhe † painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at the window.

31 And as Iehu entred in at the gate, ſhee ſaid, Had Zimri peace, who ſlew his maſter?

32 And he lift vp his face to the window, and ſaid, Who *is* on my ſide, who? And there looked out to him two *or* three ‖ Eunuches.

33 And he ſaid, Throw her downe. So they threw her downe, and *ſome* of her blood was ſprinkled on the wall, and on the horſes: and he trode her vnder foot.

34 And

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† Hebr. let no of.

caper goe, &c.

‖ Or, marching.

† Hebr. in madnes.

† Hebr. hand.

† Hebr. found.

† Hebr. filled his hand with a bow.

† Hebr. bowed.

2. Kings 21.29.

† Hebr. bloods.

‖ Or, portion.

† Hebr. Put her eyes in painting.

‖ Or, chamberlaines.

34 And when hee was come in, hee did eat and drinke, and said, Goe see now this cursed *woman* and bury her: for shee *is* a Kings daughter.

35 And they went to bury her, but they found no more of her then the skull, and the feet, and the palmes of *her* hands.

36 Wherefore they came againe and told him: and hee said, This *is* the word of the LORD which he spake † by his seruant Eliiah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Iezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Iezebel:

by the hand of. *1. Kings 21.23.

37 And the carcase of Iezebel shalbe as dung vpon the face of the field in the portion of Iezreel, *so* that they shall not say, This *is* Iezebel.

CHAP. X

1 *Iehu by his letters causeth seuenty of Ahabs children to be beheaded.* 8 *He excuseth the fact by the prophecy of Eliiah.* 12 *At the shearing house he slayeth two & fourty of Ahaziahs brethren.* 15 *He taketh Iehonadab into his company.* 18 *By subtilty he destroyeth all the worshippers of Baal.* 29 *Iehu followeth Ieroboams sinnes.* 32 *Hazael oppresseth Israel.* 34 *Iehoahaz succeedeth Iehu.*

AND Ahab had seuenty sonnes in Samaria: and Iehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria vnto the Rulers of Iezreel, to the Elders, and to † them that brought vp Ahabs *children*, saying,

† Hebr. nourishers.

2 Now assoone as this letter commeth vnto you, seeing your masters sonnes *are* with you, and there *are* with you charets and horses, a fenced citie also, and armour:

3 Looke euen out the best and meetest of your masters sonnes, and set *him* on his fathers throne, and fight for your masters house.

4 But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two Kings stood not before him: how then shall we stand?

5 And he that *was* ouer the house, and hee that *was* ouer the city, the Elders also, and the bringers vp *of the children*, sent to Iehu, saying, We are thy seruants, and will doe all that thou shalt bid vs, we will not make any King: doe thou *that which is* good in thine eyes.

6 Then hee wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye *be* † mine, and if ye will hearken vnto my voyce, take yee the heads of the men your masters sonnes, and come to me to Iezreel by to morrow this time: (now the Kings sonnes being seuenty persons, *were* with the great men of the citty, which bought them vp.)

† Hebr. for me.

7 And it came to passe when the letter came to them, that they tooke the Kings sonnes, and slew seuenty persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him *them* to Iezreel.

8 ¶ And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They haue brought the heads of the Kings sonnes. And he said, Lay yee them in two heapes at the entring in of the gate, vntill the morning.

9 And it came to passe in the morning, that hee went out, and stood, and said to all the people, Yee *be* righteous: behold, I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these?

10 Know now, that there shall fall vnto the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD hath done *that* which hee spake * † by his seruant Eliiah.

*1. Kings 21.29. † Hebr. by the hand of. Or, according.

11 So Iehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Iezreel, and all his great men, and his kinsefolkes, and his Priests, vntill hee left him none remaining.

12 ¶ And he arose, and departed, and came to Samaria: and as hee was at the † shearing house by the way,

13 Iehu † met with the brethren of Ahaziah King of Iudah, and said, Who *are* yee? And they answered, We *are* the brethren of Ahaziah, and we goe downe † to salute the children of the King and the children of the Queene.

14 And he said, take them aliue. And they took them aliue, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, *euen* two and fourty men; neither left he any of them.

15 ¶ And when hee was departed thence, he † lighted on Iehonadab the sonne of Rechab coming to meet him: and he † saluted him, and said to him, Is thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart? and Iehonadab answered, It is: if it be, giue me thine hand. And he gaue him his hand; and he cooke him vp to him into the charet.

16 And he said, Come with me, and see my zeale for the LORD: so they made him ride in his charet.

17 And when hee came to Samaria, hee slew all that remained vnto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of the LORD which he spake to Eliiah.

18 ¶ And Iehu gathered all the people together, and said vnto them, Ahab serued Baal a little; but Iehu shall serue him much.

19 Now therefore call vnto me all the prophets of Baal, all his seruants, and all his priests; let none be wanting; for I haue a great sacrifice to do to Baal, whosoeuer shall be wanting, he shall not liue. But Iehu did it in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy the worshippers of Baal.

20 And Iehu said, † Proclaime a solemne assembly for Baal. And they proclaimed *it*.

21 And Iehu sent thorow all Israel, and all the worshippers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not: and they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was full from one end to another.

22 And he said vnto him that was ouer the vestry, Bring foorth vestments for all the worshippers of Baal. And he brought them vnto them the vestments.

23 And Iehu went, and Iehonadab the sonne of Rechab, into the house of Baal, and said vnto the worshippers of Baal, Search and looke that there be here with you none of the seruants of the LORD, but the worshippers of Baal only.

24 And when they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings, Iehu appointed fourescore men without, and said, If any of the men whom I haue brought into your hands escape, he that letteth him goe, his life *shalbe* for the life of him.

25 And it came to passe assoone as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that Iehu said to the guard, and to the captaines, Goe in, and slay them, let none come forth. And they smote them with † the edge of the sword, and the guard and the captaines cast them out, and went to the city of the house of Baal:

26 And they brought forth the † images out of the house of Baal, and burnt them.

27 And they brake downe the image of Baal, and brake downe the house of Baal, and made it a draught house vnto this day.

28 Thus Iehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

29 ¶ Howbeit, *from* the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, who made Israel to sinne, Iehu departed not from after them, *to wit*, the golden calues that *were* in Bethel, and that *were* in

30 And the LORD said vnto Iehu, Because

done well in executing that which is right in mine eyes, and hast done vnto the house of Ahab, according to all that was in mine heart, thy children of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel.

31 But Iehu tooke no heed to walke in the Law of the LORD God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from the sins of Ieroboam, which made Israel to sinne.

32 ¶ In those dayes the LORD began † to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them in all the coasts of Israel,

33 From Iordane † Eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, (which is by the riuer Arnon) euen Gilead and Bashan.

34 Now the rest of the acts of Iehu, and all that he did, and all his might, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

35 And Iehu slept with his fathers, and they buried him in Samaria, and Ioahaz his sonne reigned in his stead.

36 And † the time that Iehu reigned ouer Israel in Samaria, was twenty and eight yeeres.

CHAP. XI.

Iehosh being saued by Iehosheba his aunt from Athaliahs massacre of the seed Royall, is hid six yeeres in the house of God. 4 Iehoiada giueth order for captaines: in the seuenth yeere anointeth him. 13 Athaliah is slaine. 17 Iehoiada reformeth religion.

1 Now when *Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her sonne was dead, shee arose, and destroyed all the † seed royall.

2 But Iehosheba the daughter of King Ioram, sister of Ahaziah, tooke Ioash the sonne of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the Kings sonnes which were slaine; and they hid him, euen him, and his nurse in the bed-chamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slaine.

3 And he was with her hid in the house of ‡ the LORD six yeeres: and Athaliah did reigne ouer the land.

4 And *the seuenth yeere Iehoiada sent and fetched the rulers ouer hundreds, with the captaines, of the guard, and brought them to him into the house of the LORD, and made a couenant with them, and tooke an oath of them in the house of the LORD, and shewed them the Kings sonne.

5 And he commanded them, saying, This is the thing that ye shall doe; A third part of you that enter on the Sabbath, shall euen bee keepers of the watch of the Kings house:

6 And a third part *shall bee* at the gate of Sur, and a third part at the gate behind the guard: so shall ye keepe the Watch of the house, ‖ that it be not broken downe.

7 And two † parts of all you that goe forth on the Sabbath, *euen* they shall keepe the Watch of the house of the LORD about the King.

8 And ye shall compasse the King round about, euery man with his weapons in his hand: and hee that commeth within the ranges, let him be slaine: and be ye with the King as he goeth out, and as he commeth in.

9 And the captaines ouer the hundreds, did according to all things that Iehoiada the Priest commanded: and they took euery man his men, that were to come on the Sabbath, with them that should goe out on the Sabbath, & came to Iehoiada the Priest.

10 And to the captaines ouer hundreds did the Priest giue King Dauids speares and shields, that were in the Temple.

11 And the guard stood euery man with his weapons in his hand round about the King, from the right † corner of the Temple, to the left corner of the Temple, *along* by the Altar and the Temple. † Hebr. shoulder.

12 And hee brought foorth the Kings sonne, and put the crowne vpon him, and *gaue him* the Testimony, and they made him King, and anointed him, and they clapt their hands, and said, † God saue the King. † Hebr. let the king liue.

13 ¶ And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard, and of the people, shee came to the people into the Temple of the LORD.

14 And when shee looked, behold, the King stood by a pillar, as the manner was, and the Princes, and the trumpeters by the King, and all the people of the land reioyced, and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, & cried, Treason, treason.

15 But Iehoiada the Priest commanded the captaines of the hundreds, the officers of the hoste, and said vnto them, Haue her foorth without the ranges: and him that followeth her, kill with the sword: for the Priest had said, Let her not bee slaine in the house of the LORD.

16 And they laid hands on her, and she went by the way, by the which the horses came into the Kings house, and there was she slaine.

17 ¶ And Iehoiada made a couenant betweene the LORD and the King, and the people, that they should be the LORDS people: betweene the King also and the people.

18 And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and brake it downe, his altars, and his images brake they in pieces thorowly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal, before the altars: and the Priest appointed † officers ouer the house of the LORD. † Hebr. officers.

19 And hee tooke the rulers ouer hundreds, and the captaines, and the guard, and all the people of the land, and they brought downe the King from the house of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the Kings house, and he sate on the throne of the Kings.

20 And all the people of the land reioyced, and the city was in quiet, and they slew Athaliah with the sword *beside* the Kings house.

21 Seuen yeeres old was Iehoash when hee began to reigne.

CHAP. XII.

1 Iehoash reigneth well all the dayes of Iehoiada. 4 He giueth order for the repaire of the Temple. 17 Hazael is diuerted from Ierusalem by a present of the hallowed treasures. 19 Iehoash being slaine by his seruants, Amaziah succeedeth him.

1 IN *the seuenth yeere of Iehu, Iehoash began to reigne, and foure yeres reigned hee in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Zibiah of Beer-sheba. *2. Chron. 24.1.

2 And Iehoash did that which was right in the sight of the LORD all his dayes, wherein Iehoiada the Priest instructed him. Or, holy things. Heb. he-liuesses. † Heb. the money of

3 But the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed, and burnt incense in the high places. the soules of his estimation.

4 ¶ And Iehoash said to the Priests, All the money of the † dedicated things, that is brought into the house of the LORD, *euen* the money of euery one *vpon* the that passeth *the account*, ‡ the money that euery man is set at, *and* all the mony that † commeth into any mans heart to bring into the house of the LORD, † Hebr. ascendeth. a man heart of ‡ Hebr. his persons.

5 Let the Priests take *it* to them, euery man of his acquaintance, and let them repaire the breaches of the house, wheresoeuer any breach shalbe found. the twentieth yeere, and third

6 But it was so, *that* † in the three and twentieth

yeere of King Iehoash, the Priests had not repaired the breaches of the house.

7 Then King Iehoash called for Iehoiada the Priest, and the *other* Priests, and said vnto them, Why repaire yenot the breaches of the house? now therefore receiue no more money of your acquaintance, but deliuer it for the breaches of the house.

8 And the Priests consented to receiue no more money of the people, neither to repaire the breaches of the house.

9 But Iehoiada the Priest tooke a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it and set it beside the Altar on the right side, as one commeth into the house of the LORD, and the Priests that kept the † doore put there in all the money that was brought into the house of the LORD.

† Hebr. threshold.

10 And it was so, when they saw that *there was* much money in the chest, that the ‖ Scribe, and the high Priest came vp, and they † put vp in bagges, and told the money that was found in the house of the LORD.

‖ Or, Secretary. † Hebr. bound vp.

11 And they gaue the money being told, into the hands of them that did the worke, that had the ouersight of the house of the LORD, and they † laid it out to the carpenters and builders that wrought vpon the house of the LORD,

† Hebr. brought it forth.

12 And to masons and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone, to repaire the breaches of the house of the LORD, and for all that † was laid out for the house to repaire it.

† Hebr. went forth.

13 Howbeit there was not made for the house of the LORD, bowles of siluer, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of siluer, of the money that was brought into the house of the LORD:

14 But they gaue that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of the LORD.

15 Moreouer they reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they deliuered the money to be bestowed on workemen: for they dealt faithfully.

16 The trespasse money, and sinne money, was not brought into the house of the LORD, it was the Priests.

17 ¶ Then Hazael King of Syria went vp, and fought against Gath, and took it: and Hazael set his face to goe vp to Ierusalem.

18 And Iehoash King of Iudah tooke all the hallowed things that Iehoshaphat & Iehoram, and Ahaziah his fathers, Kings of Iudah had dedicate, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold that was found in ſ treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the Kings house, and sent it to Hazael King of Syria, and he † went away from Ierusalem.

† Hebr. went vp.

19 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Iehoash, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

20 And his seruants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Iehoash ‖ in the house of Millo, which goeth downe to Silla.

‖ Or, Beth-Millo.

21 For Iozachar the son of Shimeath, and Iehozabad the sonne of Shomer his seruants smote him, and he died: and they buried him with his fathers in the city of Dauid, and Amaziah his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Iehoahaz his wicked reigne. 3 Iehoahaz oppressed by Hazael, is releeued by prayer. 8 Ioash succeedeth him. 10 His wicked reigne. 12 Ieroboam succeedeth him. 14 Elisha dying, prophesieth to Ioash three victories ouer the Syrians. 20 The Moabites inuading the land, Elishaes bones raise vp a dead man. 22 Hazael dying, Ioash getteth three victories ouer Benhadad.

IN † the three and twentieth yeere of Ioash the sonne of Ahaziah King of Iudah, Iehoahaz the sonne of Iehu began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* seuenteene yeeres.

† Hebr. In the three and twentieth yeere of Ioash the sonne of Ahaziah King of Iudah, Iehoahaz the sonne of Iehu began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* seuenteene yeeres.

2 And hee did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD, and † followed the sins of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne, he departed not therefrom.

† Hebr. walked after.

3 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he deliuered them into the hand of Hazael King of Syria, and into the hand of Benhadad the sonne of Hazael, all *their* dayes.

4 And Iehoahaz besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened vnto him: for he saw the oppression of Israel, because the King of Syria oppressed them.

5 (And the LORD gaue Israel a Sauiour, so that they went out from vnder the hand of the Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in their tents † as before time.

† Hebr. yesterday and the third time.

6 Neuertheless, they departed not from the sinnes of the house of Ieroboam, who made Israel sinne, *but* † walked therein: and there † remained the groue also in Samaria.)

† Hebr. walked. † Hebr. remained.

7 Neither did hee leaue of the people to Iehoahaz but fiftie horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand footmen: for the King of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them like the dust by threshing.

8 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Iehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

9 And Iehoahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in Samaria, and Ioash his sonne reigned in his stead.

10 ¶ In the thirty and seuenth yeere of Ioash King of Iudah, began Iehoash the sonne of Iehoahaz to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, and reigned sixteene yeeres.

11 And he did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD, hee departed not from all the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, who made Israel to sinne: *but* he walked therein.

12 And the rest of the acts of Ioash, and all that he did, and his might, wherewith he fought against Amaziah King of Iudah, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

13 And Ioash slept with his fathers, and Ieroboam sate vpon his throne: and Ioash was buried in Samaria, with the Kings of Israel.

14 ¶ Now Elisha was fallen sicke of his sickenesse whereof he died, and Ioash the King of Israel came downe vnto him, and wept ouer his face, and said, O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.

15 And Elisha said vnto him, Take bow and arrowes. And he tooke vnto him a bow and arrowes.

16 And he said to the King of Israel, Put thine hand vpon the bow. And he put his hand vpon it: and Elisha put his hands vpon the Kings hands.

17 And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened it. Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And hee said, The arrow of the LORDS deliuerance, and the arrow of deliuerance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek till thou haue consumed them.

18 And he said, Take the arrowes. And he tooke them. And he said vnto the King of Israel, Smite vpon the ground. And he smote three times, and stayed.

19 And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest haue smitten fiue or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria, till thou hadst

it: whereas now thou shalt smite Syria *last*

7 And Elisha dyed, and they buried him: and
bands of the Moabites inuaded the land at the
ning in of the yeere.
And it came to passe as they were burying a
that behold, they spied a band *of men*, and
st the man into the Sepulcher of Elishat and
the man † was let downe, & touched † bones
isha, he reuiued, and stood vp on his feet.
¶ But Hazael King of Syria oppressed Israel
e dayes of Iehoahaz.
And the LORD was gracious vnto them, and
mpassion on them, and had respect vnto
because of his Couenant with Abraham,
and Iacob, and would not destroy them, nei-
st he them from his † presence as yet.
So Hazael the King of Syria dyed, and Ben-
his sonne reigned in his stead.
And Iehoash the son of Iehoahaz, † tooke a-
out of the hand of Benhadad the son of Ha-
he cities which he had taken out of the hand
oahaz his father by war: three times did Io-
ate him, and recouered the cities of Israel.

CHAP. XIIII.

*Amaziah good reigne. 5 His iustice on the
urers of his father. 7 His victory ouer E-
8 Amaziah prouoking Iehoash, is ouercome
nyld. 15 Ieroboam succeedeth Iehoash. 17
ash slaine by a conspiracie. 21 Azariah suc-
eth him. 23 Ieroboams wicked reigne. 28 Za-
h succeedeth him.*

the second yeere of Ioash, sonne of Iehoahaz
g of Israel, reigned * Amaziah the sonne of
King of Iudah.
e was twenty and fiue yeares old when hee
to reigne, and reigned twenty and nine
in Ierusalem: and his mothers name *was*
diah of Ierusalem.
he did that which *was* right in the sight
LORD; yet not like Dauid his father, he did
ng to all things as Ioash his father did.
eobeit the high places were not taken away:
e people did sacrifice, and burnt incense on
h places.
And it came to passe, assoone as the king-
as confirmed in his hand, that hee slew his
which had slaine the King his father.
e the children of the murtherers hee slew
ording to that which is written in the book
aw of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded,
ying, The fathers shall not be put to death
children, nor the children bee put to death
fathers: but euery man shall bee put to
r his owne sinne.
slew of Edom in the valley of Salt, tenne
and tooke [Selah by war, and called the
e, Iokheel, vnto this day.
hen Amaziah sent messengers to Iehoash,
Iehoahaz son of Iehu King of Israel, say-
ne, let vs looke one another in the face.
Iehoash the King of Israel sent to Amazi-
of Iudah, saying, The thistle that *was* in
banon sent to the Cedar that *was* in Lebanon,
ying, Giue thy daughter to my son to wife. And
ere past by a wild beast, that *was* in Lebanon,
trode downe the thistle.
Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, & thine heart
fted thee vp: glory *of this*, & stay at home:
r why should thou meddle to *thy* hurt, that
u should fall, euen thou and Iudah with thee?
But Amaziah would not heare: therefore Io-

hoash King of Israel went vp, and he and Amaziah
King of Iudah looked one another in the face at
Bethshemesh, which *belongeth* to Iudah.
12 And Iudah † was put to the worse before Is- † *Hebr.*
rael, and they fled euery man to their tents. *was*
13 And Iehoash King of Israel tooke Amaziah *smitten.*
King of Iudah, the son of Iehoash the son of Ahazi-
ah, at Bethshemesh, & came to Ierusalem, and brake
downe the wall of Ierusalem, from the gate of E-
phraim, vnto the corner gate, foure hundred cubits.
14 And he tooke all the gold and siluer, and all
the vessels that were found in the house of the
LORD, and in the treasures of the Kings house, and
hostages, and returned to Samaria.
15 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Iehoash which
he did, and his might, and how he fought with A-
maziah King of Iudah, are they not written in the
booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?
16 And Iehoash slept with his fathers, and was
buried in Samaria with the Kings of Israel, and
Ieroboam his sonne reigned in his stead.
17 ¶ And Amaziah the sonne of Ioash, King of
Iudah, liued after the death of Iehoash sonne of Ie-
hoahaz King of Israel, fifteene yeeres.
18 And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, are they
not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the
Kings of Iudah?
19 Now * they made a conspiracy against him in * 2. Chro.
Ierusalem: and he fled to Lachish, but they sent af- 25.27.
ter him to Lachish, and slew him there.
20 And they brought him on horses, and hee was
buried at Ierusalem with his fathers in the city of
Dauid.
21 ¶ And all the people of Iudah tooke * Azari- * 2. Chro
ah (which *was* sixteene yeeres old) and made him 26.1. *He*
King in stead of his father Amaziah. *is called*
22 Hee built Elath, and restored it to Iudah, af- *Vzziah*
ter that the King slept with his fathers.
23 ¶ In the fifteenth yeere of Amaziah the sonne
of Ioash King of Iudah, Ieroboam the son of Ioash
King of Israel began to reigne in Samaria, *and*
reigned fourty and one yeeres:
24 And hee did that *which was* euill in the sight
of the LORD: he departed not from all the sins of
Ieroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
25 Hee restored the coast of Israel from the en-
tring of Hamath, vnto the sea of the plaine, accor-
ding to the word of the LORD God of Israel, which
he spake by † hand of his seruant * Ionah the son of * Matth.
Amittai the Prophet, which *was* of Gath Hepher. 12.39.40.
26 For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, *called*
that it was very bitter: for there was not any shut *Jonas.*
vp, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel.
27 And the LORD said not, that hee would blot
out the name of Israel from vnder heauen: but he
saued them by the hand of Ieroboam the sonne of
Ioash.
28 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Ieroboam, and
all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and
how he recouered Damascus and Hamath, *which be-*
longed to Iudah, for Israel, are they not written in
the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?
29 And Ieroboam slept with his fathers, *euen*
with the Kings of Israel, and Zachariah his sonne
reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XV.

*1 Azariah his good reigne. 5 He dying a leper,
Iotham succeedeth. 8 Zachariah the last of Iehu his
generation reigning ill, is slaine by Shallum. 13
Shallum reigning a moneth, is slaine by Menahem.
16 Menahem strengtheneth himselfe by Pul. or
Pekahiah succeedeth him. 23 Pekahiah is slaine*

by Pekah. 27 Pekah is oppressed by Tiglath Pileser and slaine by Hoshea. 32 Iothams good reigne. 36 Ahaz succeedeth him.

IN the twenty and seuenth yeere of Ieroboam King of Israel, began Azariah sonne of Amaziah King of Iudah to reigne.

2 Sixteene yeeres old was he when he began to reigne and he reigned two and fifty yeeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Iecholiah of Ierusalem.

3 And he did that *which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done;

4 Saue that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places.

5 ¶ And the LORD smote the King, so that hee was a leper vnto the day of his death, and dwelt in a seuerall house, and Iotham the Kings sonne *was* ouer the house, iudging the people of the land.

6 And the rest of the actes of Azariah, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

7 So Azariah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers in the city of Dauid, and Iotham his sonne reigned in his stead.

8 ¶ In the thirty and eight yeere of Azariah King of Iudah, did Zachariah the sonne of Ieroboam reigne ouer Israel in Samaria sixe moneths.

9 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam, the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sinne.

10 And Shallum the sonne of Iabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

11 And the rest of the actes of Zachariah, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel.

* Chap. 10. 30.

12 This *was* * the word of the LORD which he spake vnto Iehu, saying, Thy sonnes shall sit on the throne of Israel vnto the fourth generation, And so it came to passe.

* Matth. 1. 9. called Ozias.

13 ¶ Shallum the sonne of Iabesh began to reigne in the nine and thirtieth yeere of * Vzziah King of Iudah, and he reigned † a full moneth in Samaria.

† Hebr. a moneth of dayes.

14 For Menahem the son of Gadi, went vp from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the sonne of Iabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

15 And the rest of the actes of Shallum, and the conspiracy which he made, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel.

16 ¶ Then Menahem smote Tiphsah, and all that *were* therein, and the coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not *to him*, therefore he smote *it, and* all the women therein that were with child, he ript vp.

17 In the nine & thirtieth yeere of Azariah King of Iudah began Menahem the son of Gadi to reigne ouer Israel, *and reigned* ten yeeres in Samaria.

18 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD: he departed not all his dayes from the sinnes of Ieroboam the son of Nebat who made Israel to sinne.

* 2 Chro. 5. 26. † Hebr. caused to come from 26.

19 * *And* Pul the King of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem gaue Pul a thousand talents of siluer, that his hand might be with him to confirme the kingdome in his hand.

20 And Menahem † exacted the money of Israel, *euen* of all the mighty men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of siluer, to giue to the King of Assyria: so the King of Assyria turned backe, and did not there in the land

21 ¶ And the rest of the actes of Menahem, all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

22 And Menahem slept with his fathers, and Pekahiah his sonne reigned in his stead.

23 ¶ In the fiftieth yere of Azariah King of Iudah, Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* two yeeres.

24 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD, hee departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, who made Israel to sinne.

25 But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captaine of his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the Kings house, with Argob and Arieh, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his roome.

26 And the rest of the actes of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel.

27 ¶ In the two and fiftieth yeere of Azariah King of Iudah, Pekah the sonne of Remaliah began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* twenty yeeres.

28 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD, he departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam the son of Nebat who made Israel to sinne.

29 In the dayes of Pekah King of Israel, came Tiglath-Pileser King of Assyria, and tooke Ijon, and Abel-Beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and carried them captiue to Assyria.

30 And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, & smote him, and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth yeere of Iotham the sonne of Vzziah.

31 And the rest of the actes of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel.

32 ¶ * In the second yeere of Pekah the son of Remaliah King of Israel, began Iotham the sonne of Vzziah King of Iudah to reigne.

33 Fiue and twenty yeeres old was he when he began to reigne, and he reigned sixteene yeeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Ierusha the daughter of Zadok.

34 And he did that *which was* right in the sight of the LORD: he did according to all that his father Vzziah had done.

35 ¶ Howbeit, the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still in the high places: He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.

36 ¶ Now the rest of the actes of Iotham, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

37 (In those dayes the LORD began to send against Iudah, Rezin the King of Syria, and Pekah the sonne of Remaliah.)

38 And Iotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the citie of Dauid his father, and Ahaz his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Ahazbis wicked reigne. 5 Ahaz and Rezin and Pekah, inuade Iudah. 7 Ahaz craueth helpe of Tiglath Pileser against them. 10 Ahaz sending a pattern of the Altar from Damascus to Vrijah the Priest, to make the like for his owne deuotion. 17 He spoileth the Temple. 19 Hezekiah succeedeth him.

che seuentenith yeere of Pekah the sonne of
uliah, Ahaz the sonne of Iotham King of Iu-
gan to reigne.
wenty yeeres old was Ahaz when he began
gne, and reigned sixteene yeeres in Ierusalem,
d not that which was right in ỹ sight of the
his God like Dauid his father.
he walked in the way of the Kings of Is-
, and made his sonne to passe thorow the
ording to the abominations of the heathen,
the LORD cast out from before the children
el.
d he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high
and on the hilles, and vnder euery greene

Then Rezin King of Syria, and Pekah son
uliah King of Israel, came vp to Ierusalem
e: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not
ne him.
that time Rezin King of Syria recouered
to Syria, and draue the Iewes from Elath:
Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there vn-
day.
Ahaz sent messengers vnto Tiglath-Pileser
f Assyria, saying: I am thy seruant, and thy
come vp, and saue me out of the hand of the
Syria, and out of the hand of the King
l, which rise vp against me.
d Ahaz tooke the siluer and gold that was
n the house of the LORD, and in the trea-
the Kings house, and sent it for a present
ing of Assyria.
the King of Assyria hearkened vnto him:
King of Assyria went vp against Damascus,
k it, and carried the people of it captiue to
slew Rezin.
nd King Ahaz went to † Damascus, to meet
Pileser King of Assyria, and saw an Altar
t Damascus: and King Ahaz sent to Vri-
riest, the fashion of ỹ Altar, & the patterne
ording to all the workemanship thereof.
d Vrijah the Priest built an Altar: accor-
all that King Ahaz had sent from Damas-
ijah the Priest made it, against King A-
from Damascus.
when the King was come from Damas-
King saw the Altar: and the King ap-
to the Altar and offered thereon.
d he burnt his burnt offering, and his meat
and powred his drinke offering, and
the blood of † his peace offerings, vpon
.
d he brought also the brazen Altar which
e the LORD, from the forefront of the
se, betweene the Altar & the house of the
, and put it on the North side of the Altar.
King Ahaz commanded Vrijah the Priest,
pon the great Altar, burne the morning
ering and the euening meat offering, and
burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering,
ent offering of all the people of the
their meat offering, and their drinke of-
and sprinkle vpon it all the blood of the
ring, and all the blood of the sacrifice:
rasen Altar shall be for me to enquire by.
d Vrijah the Priest, according to all
Ahaz commanded.
d King Ahaz cut off the borders of the
s, & remoued the lauer from off them, and
e the sea from off ỹ brazen oxen ỹ were
, and put it vpon a pauement of stones:
e scaffold for the Sabbath that they had
built in the house, and the Kings entry without
turned he from the house of the LORD, for the king
of Assyria.

19 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he
did, are they not written in the booke of the Chro-
nicles of the Kings of Iudah?

20 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was bu-
ried with his fathers in the city of Dauid. and He-
zekiah his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XVII.

*1 Hoshea his wicked reigne. 3 being subdued by
Shalmaneser, hee conspireth against him, with So
King of Egypt. 5 Samaria for their sinnes is capti-
uated. 24 The strange nations which were trans-
planted in Samaria, being plagued with lyons, make
a mixture of religions.*

IN the twelfth yeere of Ahaz King of Iudah, be-
gan Hoshea the sonne of Elah to reigne in Sa-
maria ouer Israel nine yeeres.

2 And he did that which was euill in the sight
of the LORD, but not as the Kings of Israel that
were before him.

3 ¶ Against him came vp Shalmaneser King of
Assyria, and Hoshea became his seruant, and † gaue
him presents.

4 And the King of Assyria found conspiracie in
Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So King of
Egypt, and brought no present to the King of Assy-
ria, as he had done yere by yere: therefore the king of
Assyria shut him vp, and bound him in prison.

5 ¶ Then the King of Assyria came vp thorow-
out all the land, and went vp to Samaria, and be-
sieged it three yeeres.

6 ¶ * In the ninth yeere of Hoshea, the King of
Assyria tooke Samaria, and caried Israel away into
Assyria, and placed them in Halah. & in Habor, by
the riuer of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

7 For so it was, that the children of Israel had
sinned against the LORD their God, which had
brought them vp out of the land of Egypt, from
vnder the hand of Pharaoh King of Egypt, and had
feared other gods,

8 And walked in the statutes of the heathen,
(whom the LORD cast out from before the chil-
dren of Israel) and of the Kings of Israel, which
they had made.

9 And the children of Israel did secretly those
things that were not right against the LORD their
God: and they built them high places in all their
cities, from the tower of the watchmen, to the fen-
ced citie.

10 And they set them vp † images and grones in
euery high hill, and vnder euery greene tree.

11 And there they burnt incense in all the high
places, as did the heathen whom the LORD caried
away before them, and wrought wicked things, to
prouoke the LORD to anger.

12 For they serued idoles, whereof the LORD
had said vnto them, * Ye shall not doe this thing.

13 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and a-
gainst Iudah, † by all the Prophets, and by all the
Seers, saying, * Turne ye from your euill wayes, and
keepe my commandements, & my statutes, according
to all the Law which I commanded your fathers, &
which I sent to you by my seruants the Prophets,

14 Notwithstanding they would not heare: but
* hardened their necks like to the neck of their fa-
thers, that did not beleeue in the LORD their God.

15 And they reiected his Statutes, and his Cone-
nant that he made with their fathers, & his Testi-
monies which he testified against them, & they fol-
lowed vanity, and became vaine, and went after the
heathen

† Hebr. rendred, for. tribute.

* Chap. 18.10.

† Hebr. plantes.

* Deut. 4.19.

† Hebr. by the hand of all.

* Ier. 18. 11. and 25.5. and 35 5.

* Deut. 31.27.

heathen that were round about them, concerning whom the LORD had charged them, that they should not doe like them.

16 And they left all the Commandements of the LORD their God, and made them molten images, *euen* two calues, and made a groue and worshipped all the hoste of heauen, and serued Baal.

17 And they caused their sonsand their daughters to passe thorow the fire, and vsed diuination, and inchantments, and sold themselues to doe euill in the sight of the LORD, to prouoke him to anger.

18 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and remooued them out of his sight, there was none left, but the tribe of Iudah onely.

19 Also Iudah kept not the Commandements of the LORD their God, but walked in the statutes of Israel which they made.

20 And the LORD reiected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted them, and deliuered them into the hand of spoylers, vntill he had cast them out of his sight.

21 For he rent Israel from the house of Dauid, and they made Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat king, and Ieroboam draue Israel from following the LORD, and made them sinne a great sinne:

22 For the children of Israel walked in all the sinnes of Ieroboam which he did, they departed not from them.

23 Vntill the LORD remoued Israel out of his sight, as hee had said by all his seruants the Prophets: so was Israel carried away out of their owne land to Assyria, vnto this day.

24 ¶ And the King of Assyria brought men from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from Ava, and from Hamath, and from Sepharuaim, and placed *them* in the cities of Samaria, in stead of the children of Israel; and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.

25 And so it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, *that* they feared not the LORD, therefore the LORD sent Lyons among them, which slew some of them.

26 Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations which thou hast remoued, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not the manner of the God of the land: therefore he hath sent lions among them, and behold they slay them, because they know not the manner of the God of the land.

27 Then the King of Assyria commanded saying, Carry thither one of the Priests, whom ye brought from thence, and let them goe and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner of the God of the land.

28 Then one of the Priests whom they had caried away from Samaria, came and dwelt in Bethel, and taught them how they should feare the LORD.

29 Howbeit, euery nation, made gods of their owne, and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, euery nation in their cities wherein they dwelt:

30 And the men of Babylon made Succoth-Beneth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima:

31 And the Auites made Nibhaz, and Tartak; and the Sepharuites burnt their children in fire to Adrammelech, and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharuaim.

32 So they feared the LORD, and made vnto themselues of the loweſt of them Priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.

33 They feared the LORD, and serued their owne gods, after the manner of the nations [whom] they carried away from thence.

34 Vnto this day they doe after the former manners: they feare not the LORD, neither doe they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the Law and Commandement which the LORD commanded the children of Iacob, whom he named Israel.

35 With whom the LORD had made a Couenant, and charged them, saying, Ye shall not feare others gods nor bow your selues to them, nor serue them, nor sacrifice to them:

36 But the LORD who brought you vp out of the land of Egypt, with great power, and a stretched out arme, him shall ye feare, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye doe sacrifice.

37 And the statutes and the ordinances, and the Law, and the Commandement, which he wrote for you, ye shall obserue to doe for euermore, and ye shall not feare other gods.

38 And the Couenant that I haue made with you ye shal not forget, neither shal ye feare other gods.

39 But the LORD your God ye shall feare, and he shall deliuer you out of the hand of all your enemies.

40 Howbeit, they did not hearken, but they did after their former manner.

41 So these nations feared the LORD, and serued their grauen images, both their children, and their childrens children: as did their fathers, so do they vnto this day.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Hezekiah his good reigne. 4 He destroyeth idolatry and prospereth. 9 Samaria is carried away for their sins. 13 Sennacherib inuading Iudah is crossed by a tribute. 17 Rabshakeh sent by Sennacherib againe, reuileth Hezekiah, and by blasphemous perswasions, solliciteth the people to reuolt.

NOw it came to passe in the third yeere of Hoshea sonne of Elah king of Israel, that Hezekiah the sonne of Ahaz king of Iudah began to reigne.

2 Twenty and fiue yeeres old was he when he began to reigne, and he reigned twenty and nine yeeres in Ierusalem: His mothers name also was Abi the daughter of Zachariah.

3 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that Dauid his father did.

4 ¶ He remoued the high places, and brake the † images, and cut downe the groues, and brake in pieces the * brazen serpent that Moses had made: for vnto those dayes the children of Israel did burne incense to it: and he called it Nehushtan.

5 He trusted in the LORD God of Israel, so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Iudah, nor *any* that were before him.

6 For he claue to the LORD, and departed not † from following him, but kept his Commandements which the LORD commanded Moses.

7 And the LORD was with him, and he prospered whithersoeuer hee went forth: and he rebelled against the King of Assyria, and serued him not.

8 Hee smote the Philistines euen vnto † Gaza, and the borders thereof, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced cities.

9 ¶ And * it came to passe in the fourth yeere of King Hezekiah (which was the seuenth yeere of Hoshea sonne of Elah King of Israel) that Shalmaneser King of Assyria came vp against Samaria, and besieged it.

10 And at the end of three yeeres they [took it], *euen* in the sixt yeere of Hezekiah (that is

* Exod 32.8. 1 kings 12.28.

* Zeph. 1.5.

ent of Hoshea king of Israel) Samaria was taken.
11 And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel
into Assyria: & put them in Halah and in Habor,
by the riuer of Gozan, & in the cities of the Medes:
12 Because they obeyed not the voyce of the LORD
their God, but transgressed his Couenant, and all
that Moses the seruant of the LORD commanded,
and would not heare them, nor doe them.
13 ¶ Now * in the fourteenth yeere of King Heze-
kiah, did † Sennacherib king of Assyria come vp a-
gainst all the fenced cities of Iudah, and took them
14 And Hezekiah king of Iudah sent to the king
of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I haue offended, re-
turne from me: that which thou puttest on me will
I beare. And the king of Assyria appointed vnto
Hezekiah king of Iudah three hundred talents of
siluer, and thirty talents of gold.
15 And Hezekiah gaue him all the siluer that
was found in the house of the LORD, and in the
treasures of the kings house.
16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off *the gold*
from the doores of the Temple of the LORD, and
from the pillars which Hezekiah King of Iudah
had ouerlaid, and gaue † it to the King of Assyria.
17 ¶ And the King of Assyria sent Tartan, and
Rabsaris, and Rabshakeh from Lachish, to King
Hezekiah, with a † great hoste against Ierusalem:
and they went vp, and came to Ierusalem, and when
they were come vp, they came and stood by the con-
duit of the vpper poole, which *is* in the high way
of the Fullers field.
18 And when they had called to the King, there
came out to them Eliakim the sonne of Helkiah,
which *was* ouer the houshold, and Shebna the
Scribe, and Ioah the sonne of Asaph the Recorder.
19 And Rabshakeh said vnto them, Speake yee
now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great King, the
King of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein
thou trustest?
20 Thou † sayest (but *they are but* † vaine words)
I haue counsell and strength for the warre: now
on whom doest thou trust that thou rebellest a-
gainst me?
21 Now behold, thou † trustest vpon the staffe of
this bruised reed, *euen* vpon Egypt, on which if a
man leane, it will goe into his hand, and pierce
it: so is Pharaoh King of Egypt vnto all that trust
in him.
22 But if ye say vnto me, We trust in the LORD
our God: *is it* not that hee, whose high places, and
whose Altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath
said to Iudah and Ierusalem, Yee shall worship be-
fore this Altar in Ierusalem?
23 Now therefore, I pray thee, giue ‖ pledges to
my lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliuer thee
two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to
set riders vpon them.
24 How then wilt thou turne away the face of one
Captaine of the least of my masters seruants, and put
thy trust on Egypt for charets, and for horsemen?
25 And now come I vp without the LORD against
this place to destroy it? The LORD said to mee,
Goe vp against this land, and destroy it.
26 Then said Eliakim the sonne of Hilkiah, and
Shebna, and Ioah vnto Rabshakeh, Speake, I pray
thee, to thy seruants, in the Syrian language, (for
we vnderstand it) and talke not with vs in the
Iewes language, in the eares of the people that *are*
on the wall.
27 But Rabshakeh said vnto them, Hath my ma-
ster sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speake
these words? hath he not *sent me* to the men which
sit on the wall, that they may eat their owne dung,
and drinke their † owne pisse with you?
28 Then Rabshakeh stood and cryed with a loud
voyce in the Iewes language, & spake, saying, Heare
the word of the great King, the King of Assyria.
29 Thus saith the King, Let not Hezekiah deceiue
you: for he shall not be able to deliuer you out of
his hand.
30 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the
LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliuer vs,
and this city shall not bee deliuered into the hand
of the King of Assyria.
31 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the
King of Assyria, ‖ Make *an agreement* with me by
a present, and come out to me, and then eat ye euery
man of his owne vine, and euery one of his fig tree,
and drink ye euery one the waters of his ‖ cisterne:
32 Vntill I come and take you away to a land
like your owne land, a land of corne and wine, a
land of bread and vineyards, a land of oile oliue,
and of honey, that yee may liue, and not die: and
hearken not vnto Hezekiah, when hee ‖ perswadeth
you, saying, The LORD will deliuer vs.
33 Hath any of the gods of the nations deliuered
at all his land out of ✠ hand of the king of Assyria?
34 Where *are* the gods of Hamath, & of Arpad?
where *are* the gods of Sepharuaim, Hena, and Iuah?
Haue they deliuered Samaria out of mine hand?
35 Who *are* they among all the gods of the coun-
treys, that haue deliuered their countrey out of
mine hand, that the LORD should deliuer Ieru-
salem out of mine hand?
36 But the people held their peace, and answered
him not a word: for the Kings commandement
was, saying, Answere him not.
37 Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which
was ouer the houshold, and Shebna the Scribe, and
Ioah the son of Asaph the Recorder, to Hezekiah,
with *their* clothes rent; and told him the words of
Rabshakeh.

CHAP. XIX.

1 *Hezekiah mourning, sendeth to Esay to pray for them,* 6 *Esay comforteth them.* 8 *Sennacherib going to encounter Tirhakah, sendeth a blasphemous letter to Hezekiah.* 14 *Hezekiah his prayer.* 20 *Esay his prophesy of the pride and destruction of Sennacherib, and the good of Zion.* 35 *An Angel slaieth the Assyrians.* 36 *Sennacherib is slaine at Nineueh by his owne sonnes.*

AND * it came to passe, when King Hezekiah
heard *it*, that he rent his clothes, and couered
himselfe with sackcloth, and went into the house of
the LORD.
2 And hee sent Eliakim, which *was* ouer the
houshold, and Shebna the Scribe, and the Elders
of the Priests couered with sackcloth, to Esay the
Prophet the sonne of Amoz.
3 And they said vnto him, Thus saith Hezekiah,
This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and
of blasphemy: for the children are come to the
birth, and *there is* not strength to bring forth.
4 It may bee the LORD thy God will heare all
the words of Rabshakeh whom the King of Assyria
his master hath sent to reproch the liuing God, and
will reproue the words which the LORD thy God
hath heard: wherefore lift vp *thy* prayer for the
remnant that are † left.
5 So the seruants of King Hezekiah came to
Isaiah.
6 ¶ And * Isaiah said vnto them, Thus shall yee
say to your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be not
afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with

* Isaiah 37.1.

† Heb. *the water of their feet?*

‖ Or, *seek my fauour by, make with me a blessing*

‖ Or, *spit*

‖ Or, *deceiueth.*

† Heb. *found.*

* Luke 3.4 *called Esaias.*

which the seruants of the King of Assyria haue blasphemed me.

7 Behold, I will send a blast vpon him, and hee shall heare a rumour, and shall returne to his owne land, and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his owne land.

8 ¶ So Rabshakeh returned, and found the King of Assyria warring against Libnah: for hee had heard that he was departed from Lachish.

9 And when hee heard say of Tirhakah King of Ethiopia, Behold, he is come out to fight against thee, hee sent messengers againe vnto Hezekiah, saying,

10 Thus shall ye speake to Hezekiah king of Iudah, saying, Let not thy God in whom thou trustest deceiue thee, saying, Ierusalem shall not be deliuered into the hand of the King of Assyria.

11 Behold, thou hast heard what the Kings of Assyria haue done to all lands, by destroying them vtterly, and shalt thou be deliuered?

12 Haue the Gods of the nations deliuered them which my fathers haue destroyed? *as* Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Thelasar?

13 Where is the King of Hamath, and the King of Arpad, and the King of the city of Sepharuaim, of Hena, and Iuah?

14 ¶ And Hezekiah receiued the letter of the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went vp into the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.

15 And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of Israel, which dwellest *betweene* the Cherubims, thou art the God, *euen* thou alone of all the kingdomes of the earth, thou hast made heauen and earth.

16 LORD bow downe thine eare, and heare: open LORD thine eyes, and see: and heare the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent him to reproach the liuing God.

17 Of a trueth, LORD, the Kings of Assyria haue destroyed the nations, and their lands,

18 And haue † cast their Gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the worke of mens hands, wood and stone: therefore they haue destroyed them.

19 Now therefore, O LORD our God, I beseech thee saue thou vs out of his hand, that all the kingdomes of the earth may know that thou art the LORD God, *euen* thou only.

20 ¶ Then Isaiah the sonne of Amos sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, That which thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib King of Assyria, I haue heard.

21 This *is* the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning him, The virgin, the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorne, the daughter of Ierusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

22 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted *thy* voice, and lift vp thine eyes on high? *euen* against the holy One of Israel.

23 † By thy messengers thou hast reproached the Lord, & hast said, With the multitude of my chariots, I am come vp to the height of the mountaines, to the sides of Lebanon, and will cut downe † the tall Cedar trees thereof, *and* the choise Firre trees thereof: and I will enter into the lodgings of his borders, *and into* the ‖ forrest of his Carmel.

24 I haue digged and drunke strange waters, and with the sole of my feet haue I dried vp all the riuers of ‖ besieged places.

25 ‖ Hast thou not heard long agoe, how I haue done it, *and* of ancient times that I haue formed it, *should* I now bring it to be laide waste, *and* fenced cities to be ruinous heapes?

26 Therefore their inhabitants were † of small power, they were dismayed and confounded, they were *as* the grasse of the field, and as the greene herbe, *as* the grasse on the house tops, and corne blasted before it be growne vp.

27 But I know thy ‖ abode, and thy going out, and thy comming in, and thy rage against me.

28 Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult is come vp into mine eares, therefore I will put my hooke in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turne thee backe by the way by which thou camest.

29 And this *shall be a* signe vnto thee. Ye shall eat this yeere such things as grow of themselues, and in the second yeere that which springeth of the same, and in the third yeere, sow ye and reape, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.

30 And † the remnant that is escaped of the house of Iudah, shall yet againe take root downeward, and beare fruit vpward.

31 For out of Ierusalem shall goe forth a remnant, and † they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeale of the LORD of hostes shall doe this.

32 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the King of Assyria, Hee shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a banke against it.

33 By the way that hee came, by the same shall he returne, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

34 For I will defend this city to saue it for mine owne sake, and for my seruant Dauids sake.

35 ¶ * And it came to passe that night, that the Angel of the LORD went out, and smote in the campe of the Assyrians, an hundred fourescore and fiue thousand: and when they rose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.

36 So Sennacherib King of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineueh.

37 And it came to passe, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sonnes smote him with the sword: and they escaped into the land of † Armenia. And Esarhaddon his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XX.

1 *Hezekiah hauing receiued a message of his death, by prayer hath his life lengthened.* 8 *The going ten degrees backward for a signe of that promise.* 12 *Merodach Baladan sending to visit Hezekiah, the pride of the mond, hath notice of his treasure.* 16 *Isaiah vnderstanding thereof foretelleth the Babylonian captiuity.* 20 *Manasseh succeedeth Hezekiah.*

IN those dayes * was Hezekiah sicke vnto death, and the Prophet Isaiah the sonne of Amoz came to him, & said vnto him, Thus saith the LORD, Giue charge concerning thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not liue.

2 Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed vnto the LORD saying,

3 I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I haue walked before thee in truth, and with a perfect heart, and haue done that which is good in thy sight: and Hezekiah wept † sore.

4 And it came to passe, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle ‖ court, that the word of the LORD came to him saying,

5 Turne againe, and tell Hezekiah the Captaine of my people, Thus saith the LORD the God of Dauid thy father, I haue heard thy prayer, I haue seene thy teares: behold I will heale thee: on

† Hebr. *giuen.*
† Hebr. *by the hand of.*
† Hebr. *the tallnesse, &c.*
‖ Or, *the forrest of his fruitfull field.*
‖ Or, *fenced.*
‖ Or *hast thou not heard how I haue made it long ago, and formed it of ancient times, should I now bring it to be laide waste, &c.*
† Hebr. *dwellest.*
‖ Or, *abiding.*
* 2. Chron. 32. 24. Esay 38. 1.

day thou ſhalt goe vp to the houſe of the
5 And I will adde vnto thy dayes fifteen yeeres,
and will deliuer thee & this city out of the hand
of the King of Aſſyria, and I will defend this city
for mine owne ſake, & for my ſeruant Dauids ſake.
6 And Iſaiah ſaid, Take a lumpe of figs, and they
tooke and laid it on the boile, and he recouered.
7 And Hezekiah ſaid vnto Iſaiah, What *ſhall*
be the ſigne that the LORD will heale me, and that
I ſhall goe vp into the houſe of the LORD the
third day.
8 And Iſaiah ſaid, This ſigne ſhalt thou *haue* of
the LORD, that the LORD will doe the thing that
he hath ſpoken: ſhall the ſhadow goe forward ten
degrees, or *goe backe ten degrees?
9 And Hezekiah anſwered, It is a light thing
for the ſhadow to goe downe ten degrees: nay but
let the ſhadow returne backward ten degrees.
10 And Iſaiah the Prophet cried vnto the LORD
and he brought the ſhadow ten degrees backe-
ward, by which it had gone downe in the † diall of
Ahaz.

12 * At that time Berodach Baladan the ſonne
of Baladan King of Babylon, ſent letters and a
preſent vnto Hezekiah: for he had heard that He-
zekiah had beene ſicke.
13 And Hezekiah hearkened vnto them, and
ſhewed them the houſe of his ‖ precious things, the
ſiluer, and the gold, and the ſpices, and the precious
oyntment, and all the houſe of his ‖ armour, and
all that was found in his treaſures: there was no-
thing in his houſe, nor in all his dominion, that He-
zekiah ſhewed them not.
14 Then came Iſaiah the Prophet vnto King
Hezekiah, and ſaid vnto him, What ſaid theſe
men? and from whence came they vnto thee? And
Hezekiah ſaid, They are come from a farre coun-
trey from Babylon.
15 And he ſaid, What haue they ſeene in thy
houſe? And Hezekiah anſwered, All the things
that are in mine houſe haue they ſeene: there is no-
thing among my treaſures, that I haue not ſhewed
them.
16 And Iſaiah ſaid vnto Hezekiah, Heare the
word of the LORD.
17 Behold the dayes come, that all that is in
thine houſe, and that which thy fathers haue laid
vp in ſtore vnto this day, *ſhall bee carried vnto
Babel: nothing ſhall be left ſaith the LORD.
18 And of thy ſonnes that ſhall iſſue from thee,
which thou ſhalt beget, ſhall they take away, and
they ſhall be Eunuches in the Palace of the King
of Babylon.
19 Then ſaid Hezekiah vnto Iſaiah, Good *is*
the word of the LORD which thou haſt ſpoken. And
he ſaid, Is it not good, if peace and trueth be in
my dayes?
20 And the reſt of the acts of Hezekiah, and all
his might, & how he made a poole & a conduit, and
brought water into the city, are they not written in
the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?
21 And Hezekiah ſlept with his fathers, and Ma-
naſſes his ſonne reigned in his ſtead.

CHAP. XXI.

*Manaſſeh his reigne. 3 His great idolatry. 10 Gods
threatnes cauſeth prophecies againſt Iudah. 17
Manaſſeh ſucceedeth him. 19 Amons wicked reigne.
He is ſlaine by his ſeruants, and thoſe murde-
rers put by the people, Joſiah is made King.*

MAnaſſeh * was twelue yeeres olde, when hee
began to reigne, and reigned fifty and fiue
yeeres in Ieruſalem: and his mothers name *was*
Hephzibah.
2 And he did that *which was* euill in the ſight
of the LORD, after the abominations of the hea-
then, whom the LORD caſt out before the children
of Iſrael.
3 For he built vp againe the high places * which
Hezekiah his father had deſtroyed, and he reared
vp altars for Baal, and made a groue, as did Ahab
King of Iſrael, and worſhipped all the hoſte of
heauen, and ſerued them.
4 And * he built altars in the houſe of the LORD
of which the LORD ſaid, * In Ieruſalem will I put
my Name.
5 And he built altars for all the hoſte of heauen,
in the two courts of the houſe of the LORD.
6 And he made his ſonne paſſe thorow the fire,
and obſerued times, and vſed inchantments, and
deale with familiar ſpirits and wizards: hee
wrought much wickednes in the ſight of the
LORD, to prouoke *him* to anger.
7 And he ſet a grauen image of the groue that
he had made in the houſe, of which the LORD ſaid
to Dauid, and to Solomon his ſonne, * In this houſe
and in Ieruſalem, which I haue choſen out of all
tribes of Iſrael, will I put my Name for euer:
8 Neither will I make the feet of Iſrael moue
any more out of *the* land which I gaue their fathers:
only if they will obſerue to doe according to all
that I haue commanded them, and according to all
the Law that my ſeruant Moſes commanded them.
9 But they hearkened not, and Manaſſeh ſeduced
them to doe more euill then did the nations whom
the LORD deſtroyed before the children of Iſrael.
10 ¶ And the LORD ſpake by his ſeruants the
Prophets, ſaying,
11 * Becauſe Manaſſeh King of Iudah hath done
theſe abominations, *and* hath done wickedly a-
boue all that the Amorites did, which *were* be-
fore him, and hath made Iudah alſo to ſinne with
his idoles:
12 Therefore thus ſaith the LORD God of Iſrael,
Behold, I am bringing *ſuch* euill vpon Ieruſalem
and Iudah, that whoſoeuer heareth of it, both * his
eares ſhall tingle.
13 And I will ſtretch ouer Ieruſalem the line of
Samaria, and the plummet of the houſe of Ahab:
and I will wipe Ieruſalem as a man wipeth a diſh,
† wiping it, and turning it vpſide downe.
14 And I will forſake the remnant of mine inhe-
ritance, and deliuer them into the hand of their
enemies, and they ſhall become a prey, and a ſpoile
to all their enemies,
15 Becauſe they haue done that *which was* euill
in my ſight, and haue prouoked me to anger, ſince
the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, euen
vnto this day.
16 Moreouer, Manaſſeh ſhed innocent blood very
much, till he had filled Ieruſalem † from one end
to another, beſide his ſinne wherewith he made Iudah
to ſinne, in doing that *which was* euill in the ſight
of the LORD.
17 ¶ Now the reſt of the acts of Manaſſeh, and
all that he did, and his ſinne that hee ſinned, are
they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of
the Kings of Iudah?
18 And * Manaſſeh ſlept with his fathers, and
was buried in the garden of his owne houſe, in the
garden of Vzza: and Amon his ſonne reigned in
his ſtead.
19 ¶ Amon was twenty and two yeeres olde
when he began to reigne, and he reigned two yeres
in

2 King. 18.4.
*Ier. 32. 34.
*2. Sam. 7.13.
* 1. King 8.29 &9. 3. chap. 33.7.
*Ier. 15.4
* 1 Sam. 3.11.
† Hebr. he wipeth and turneth it vpon the face thereof.
† Hebr. 2 Kings 21. from mouth to mouth.
*2 Chro. 33.20.

in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of Iotbah.

20 And he did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD, as his father Manasseh did.

21 And hee walked in all the wayes that his father walked in, and serued the idols that his father serued, and worshipped them.

22 And hee forsooke the LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD.

23 ¶ And the seruants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the King in his owne house.

24 And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against King Amon: and the people of the land made Iosiah his sonne king in his stead.

25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon, which he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

Matth. 1.10. called Iosias. 26 And hee was buried in his sepulchre, in the garden of Vzza, and * Iosiah his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *Iosiahs goodreigne.* 3 *He taketh care for the repaire of the Temple.* 8 *Hilkiah having founda booke of the Law, Iosiah sendeth to Huldah to enquire of the Lord.* 15 *Huldah prophesieth destruction of Ierusalem, but respit thereof in Iosiahs time.*

* 2. Chro. 34.1. IOsiah* was eight yeeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned thirty and one yeeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Iedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath.

2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the waies of Dauid his father, and turned not aside to the right hand, or to the left.

3 ¶ And it came to passe in the eighteenth yeere of King Iosiah, that the King sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, the sonne of Meshullam the Scribe, to the house of the LORD, saying,

4 Goe vp to Hilkiah the high Priest, that he may summe the siluer which is brought into the house of the LORD, which the keepers of the † doore haue gathered of the people.

† Hebr. threshold.

5 And let them deliuer it into the hand of the doers of the worke, that haue the ouersight of the house of the LORD: and let them giue it to the doers of the worke, which is in the house of the LORD, to repaire the breaches of the house.

6 Vnto carpenters, and builders, and masons, and to buy timber, and hewen stone to repaire the house.

7 Howbeit, there was no reckoning made with them, of the money that was deliuered into their hand, because they dealt faithfully.

2. Chron. 34. 14. 24. 8 ¶ And Hilkiah the high Priest said vnto Shaphan the Scribe, I haue found the booke of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah gaue the booke to Shaphan, and he read it.

9 And Shaphan the Scribe came to the King, and brought the King word againe, and said, Thy seruants haue † gathered the money that was found in the house, and haue deliuered it into the hand of them that doe the worke, that haue the ouersight of the house of the LORD.

† Hebr. melted.

10 And Shaphan the Scribe shewed the king, saying, Hilkiah the Priest hath deliuered me a booke: and Shaphan read it before the King.

11 And it came to passe when the king had heard the words of the booke of the Law, that he rent his clothes.

12 And the King commanded Hilkiah the Priest, and Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan, and Achbor the sonne of Michaiah, and Shaphan the Scribe, and Asahiah a seruant of the King, saying,

13 Goe ye, enquire of the LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Iudah, concerning the words of this booke that is found: for great is the wrath of the LORD that is kindled against vs, because our fathers haue not hearkened vnto the words of this booke, to doe according vnto all that is written concerning vs.

14 So Hilkiah the Priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went vnto Huldah the Prophetesse, the wife of Shallum the sonne of Tikuah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the † wardrobe: Now shee dwelt in Ierusalem in the College: and they communed with her.

† Hebr. colledge.

15 ¶ And shee said vnto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell the man that sent you to me;

16 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring euill vpon this place, and vpon the inhabitants thereof, *euen* all the words of the booke which the King of Iudah hath read.

17 Because they haue forsaken me, and haue burned incense vnto other gods, that they might prouoke me to anger with all the workes of their hands: therefore my wrath shall bee kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched.

18 But to the King of Iudah, which sent you to enquire of the LORD, Thus shall ye say vnto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, as touching the words which thou hast heard;

19 Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thy selfe before the LORD, when thou heardst what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse: and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I also haue heard thee, saith the LORD.

20 Behold therefore, I will gather thee vnto thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered into thy graue in peace, and thine eies shall not see all the euill which I will bring vpon this place. And they brought the King word againe.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 *Iosiah causeth the booke to be read in a solemne assembly.* 3 *He renewesh the couenant of the Lord.* 4 *He destroyeth Idolatry.* 15 *He burnt also the bones vpon the altar of Bethel, as was foretolde.* 21 *He kept a most solemne Passeouer.* 24 *He put away witches, and all abominations.* 26 *Yet shall wrath against Iudah.* 29 *Iosiah is slaine at Megiddo by Pharaoh Necboh.* 31 *Iehoahaz succeeding him, is imprisoned by Pharaoh Necboh, who made Iehoiakim King.* 36 *Iehoiakims wicked reigne.*

AND* the King sent, and they gathered vnto him all the Elders of Iudah, and of Ierusalem.

2 And the King went vp into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Iudah, and all the inhabitants of Ierusalem with him, and the Priests, and the Prophets, and all the people, † both small and great: and hee read in their eares all the words of the booke of the Couenant which was found in the house of the LORD.

† Hebr. from small vnto great.

3 ¶ And the King stood by a pillar, and made a Couenant before the LORD to walke after the LORD, and to keepe his Commandements, and his Testimonies, and his Statutes, with all their heart, and all their soule, to performe the words of this Couenant, that were written in this booke. And all the people stood to the Couenant.

4 And the King commanded Hilkiah the high Priest, and the Priests of the second order, and the keepers of the doore, to bring forth out of the

of the LORD all the vessels that were made for l, and for the grove, and for all the hoste of ven: and he burnt them without Ierusalem in fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them to Bethel.

And he † put downe the † idolatrous Priests om the Kings of Iudah had ordained to burne ense in the high places, in the cities of Iudah, d in the places round about Ierusalem: them al- that burnt incense vnto Baal, to the Sunne, and the Moone, and to the ‖ Planets, and to all the e of heauen.

And he brought out the * grove from the house the LORD, without Ierusalem, vnto the brooke dron, and burnt it at the brooke Kidron, and mpt it small to powder, & cast the powder there- vpon the graues of the children of the people.

And he brake downe the houses of the Sodo- es that were by the house of the LORD, where women woue † hangings for the grove.

And he brought all the Priests out of the ci- of Iudah, and defiled the high places, where Priests had burnt incense, from Geba to Beer- a, and brake downe the high places of the gates were in the entring in of the gate of Ioshua gouernour of the city, which were on a mans hand, at the gate of the city.

Nevertheless, the Priests of the high places not vp to the Altar of the LORD in Ierusa- but they did eate of the vnleauened bread a- mong their brethren.

And he defiled Topheth which is in the val- of the children of Hinnom, that no man might his son or his daughter to passe thorow the Molech.

And he tooke away the horses that the Kings dah had giuen to the Sun, at the entring in of ouse of the LORD, by the chamber of Nathan- h, the ‖ Chamberlaine, which was in the bes, and burnt the charets of the Sunne with

And the Altars that were on the top of the chamber of Ahaz, which the Kings of Iudah ade, and the Altars which * Manasseh had in the two courts of the house of the LORD, e King beat downe, and ‖ brake them downe thence, and cast the dust of them into the e Kidron.

And the high places that were before Ierusa- which were on the right hand of the ‖ mount of pition, which * Solomon the King of Israel had ilded for Ashtoreth, the abominations of the Zi- ans, and for Chemosh the abomination of the bites, and for Milchom the abomination of the ren of Ammon did the King defile.

And he brake in pieces the † images, and cut n the grones, and filled their places with the es of men.

¶ Moreouer, the Altar that was at Bethel, and gh place which Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat ade Israel to sinne, had made: both that Al- and the high place he brake downe, and burnt gh place, and stampt it small to powder, and the grove.

And as Iosiah turned himselfe, he spied the ulchres that were there in the mount, and sent tooke the bones out of the sepulchres, and rnt vpon the Altar, and polluted it; accor- to the * word of the LORD, which the man of d proclaimed, who proclaimed these words.

Then he said, What title is that that I see? e men of the city told him, It is the sepulchre of the man of God, which came from Iudah, and proclaimed these things that thou hast done against the Altar of Bethel.

18 And he said, let him alone; let no man moue his bones: so they let his bones † alone, with the bones of the Prophet that came out of Samaria. † Hebr. to escape.

19 And all the houses also of the high places that were in the cities of Samaria, which the Kings of Israel had made to prouoke the LORD to anger, Iosiah tooke away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Bethel.

20 And he ‖ slew all the priests of the high places that were there, vpon the Altars, and burnt mens bones vpon them, and returned to Ierusalem. ‖ Or, sacrificed.

21 ¶ And the King commanded all the people, saying, * Keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD your God, as it is written in this booke of § Couenant. * 2 Chro. 35.1.

22 Surely there was not holden such a Passeouer from the dayes of the Iudges that iudged Israel, nor in all the dayes of the Kings of Israel, nor of the Kings of Iudah: * 1 esd. 1.1

23 But in the eighteenth yeere of King Iosiah, wherein this passeouer was holden to the LORD in Ierusalem. * Exod. 12.3. deut. 16.2

24 ¶ Moreouer, the workers with familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the ‖ images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were spied in the land of Iudah, and in Ierusalem, did Iosiah put away, that he might performe the words of * the Law, which were written in the booke that Hilkiah the Priest found in the house of the LORD. ‖ Or, Teraphim. * Leuit. 20.27. deut. 18. 11.

25 And like vnto him was there no King before him, that turned to the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soule, and with all his might, according to all the Law of Moses, neither after him arose there any like him.

26 ¶ Notwithstanding, the LORD turned not from the fiercenesse of his great wrath, wherewith his anger was kindled against Iudah, because of all the † prouocations that Manasseh had prouoked him withall. † Hebr. angers.

27 And the LORD said, I will remoue Iudah also out of my sight, as I haue removed Israel, and will cast off this city Ierusalem, which I haue chosen, and the house of which I said, * My Name shall be there. * 1 Kings 8.29 and 9.3. chap. 23.27.

28 Now the rest of the acts of Iosiah, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? 28.7. * 2 Chron. 35.20.

29 ¶ * In his dayes Pharaoh Nechoh King of Egypt went vp against the King of Assyria to the riuer Euphrates: and King Iosiah went against him, and hee slew him at Megiddo, when hee had seene him.

30 And his seruants carried him in a charet dead from Megiddo, and brought him to Ierusalem, and buried him in his owne sepulchre: and * the people of the land tooke Iehoahaz the sonne of Iosiah, and annointed him, and made him King in his fathers stead. * 2 Chron. 36.1.

31 ¶ Iehoahaz was twenty and three yeeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned three moneths in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Hamital, the daughter of Ieremiah of Libnah.

32 And he did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done. ‖ Or, because

33 And Pharaoh Nechoh put him in bands at Riblah in the land of Hamath, ‖ that he might not reigne in Ierusalem, and ‖ put the land to a tribute of an hundred talents of siluer, and a talent of gold. ‖ Or, because he caused him to reigne. † Hebr. set a mulct vpon the land.

34 And Pharaoh Nechoh made Eliakim the son of

* *Mat.*1. 22. *called* *Iakim.* of Iosiah king, in the roome of Iosiah his father, and turned his name to *Iehoiakim, & tooke Iehoahaz away, and he came to Egypt, and dyed there.

35 And Iehoiakim gaue the siluer and the gold to Pharaoh, but he taxed the land to giue the money according to the commandement of Pharaoh: he exacted the siluer and the gold of the people of the land, of euery one according to his taxation, to giue it vnto Pharoah Nechoh.

36 ¶ Iehoiakim *was* twenty and fiue yeeres old when he began to reigne, and hee reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah of Rumah.

37 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Iehoiakim first subdued by Nebuchadnezzar, then rebelling against him, procureth his owne ruine. 5 Iehoiachin succeedeth him. 7 The king of Egypt is vanquished by the King of Babylon. 8 Iehoiachins euill reigne. 10 Ierusalem is taken and carried captiue into Babylon. 17 Zedekiah is made King, and maketh all, vnto the vtter destruction of Iudah.

IN his dayes Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon came vp, and Iehoiakim became his seruant three yeeres: then he turned and rebelled against him.

2 And the LORD sent against him bands of the Caldees, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Iudah to destroy it, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by his seruants the Prophets.

* Chap. 20.17. & 23.27.

† *Hebr.* *by the hand of.*

3 Surely at the commandement of the LORD came *this* vpon Iudah, to remoue *them* out of his sight, for the sinnes of Manasseh, according to all that he did.

4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed: (for hee filled Ierusalem with innocent blood) which the LORD would not pardon.

24.16.

5 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Iehoiakim, and all that he did, are not they written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah?

6 So Iehoiakim slept with his fathers, and Iehoiachin his sonne reigned in his stead.

7 And the King of Egypt came not againe any more out of his land: for the King of Babylon had taken from the riuer of Egypt, vnto the riuer Euphrates, all that pertained to the King of Egypt.

8 ¶ Iehoiachin was eighteene yeeres old when he began to reigne, and hee reigned in Ierusalem three moneths, and his mothers name *was* Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan of Ierusalem.

9 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father had done.

* Dan.1.1 † *Hebr.* *came into siege.*

10 ¶ *At that time the seruants of Nebuchadnezzar King of Babylon came vp against Ierusalem and the city † was besieged.

11 And Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon came against the city, and his seruants did besiege it.

12 And Iehoiachin the King of Iudah went out to the King of Babylon, he and his mother, and his seruants, and his princes, and his ‖ officers: and the King of Babylon tooke him in the eighth yeere of his reigne.

‖ *Or,* *Eunuches*

* Chap. 20.17. Esa. 39.6.

13 * And he carried out thence all the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasure of the kings house, & cut in pieces all the vessels of gold, which Solomon King of Israel had made in the Temple of the LORD, as the LORD had said.

14 And he carried away all Ierusalem, & all the Princes, and all the mighty men of valour, *euen* ten thousand captiues, and all the craftsmen, and smithes: none remained saue the poorest sort of the people of the land.

15 And * he carried away Iehoiachin to Babylon, and the Kings mother, and the Kings wiues, and his ‖ officers, and the mighty of the land, those carried he into captiuity from Ierusalem to Babylon.

16 And all the men of might, *euen* seuen thousand, and craftsmen and smithes a thousand, all that were strong, and apt for warre, *euen* them the King of Babylon brought captiue to Babylon.

17 ¶ And * the King of Babylon made Mattaniah his fathers brother King in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah.

18 Zedekiah *was* twenty and one yeere old when he began to reigne, and he reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Hamutal the daughter of Ieremiah of Libnah.

19 And he did that *which was* euill in the sight of the LORD, according to all that Iehoiakim had done.

20 For through the anger of the LORD it came to passe in Ierusalem and Iudah, vntill he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the King of Babylon.

CHAP. XXV.

1 Ierusalem is besieged. 4 Zedekiah taken, his sons slaine, his eies put out. 8 Nebuzaradan setteth the citie, carrieth the remnant, except a poore labourers into captiuity. 13 Spoileth the brasse away the treasures. 18 The Nobles at Riblah. 22 Gedaliah, who was set ouer them remained, being slaine, the rest flie into Egypt. Euil-Merodach aduanceth Iehoiachin aboue.

AND it came to passe * in the ninth yeere of his reigne in the tenth moneth, in the tenth day of the moneth, that Nebuchad nezzar, King of Babylon came, he and all his hoste against Ierusalem, and pitched against it, and they built forts against it round about.

2 And the citie was besieged vnto the eleuenth yeere of King Zedekiah.

3 And on the ninth *day* of the * *fourth* moneth the famine preuailed in the city, and there was no bread for the people of the land.

4 ¶ And the city was broken vp, and all the men of warre *fled* by night, by the way of the gate betweene two walles, which *is* by the Kings garden, (now the Caldees *were* against the citie round about) and *the King* went the way toward the plaine.

5 And the army of the Caldees pursued after the King, and ouertooke him in the plaines of Iericho, and all his army were scattered from him.

6 So they tooke the King, and brought him vp to the King of Babylon to Riblah, and they gaue † iudgement vpon him.

7 And they slew the sonnes of Zedekiah before his eies, and † put out the eies of Zedekiah, and bound him with fetters of brasse, and carried him to Babylon.

8 ¶ And in the fifth moneth, on the seuenth day of the moneth (which is the nineteenth yeere of King Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon) came Nebuzaradan ‖ captaine of the guard, a seruant of the King of Babylon vnto Ierusalem:

9 And he burnt the house of the LORD, and the Kings house, and all the houses of Ierusalem, and euery great mans house burnt he with fire.

10 And all the army of the Caldees that *was* with the captaine of the guard brake downe the walles of Ierusalem round about.

Now the rest of the people that were left in the land and the †fugitiues that fell away to the King of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard carry away.
But the captain of the guard left of the poore of the land, to be vinedressers and husbandmen.
And * the pillars of brasse that were in the house of the LORD, and the bases & the brasen Sea that was in the house of the LORD did the Caldees break in pieces, and carried the brasse of them to Babylon.
And the pots, and the shouels, and the snuffers, and the spoones, and all the vessels of brasse, wherewith they ministred, tooke they away.
And the fire-pannes, and the bowles, and such things as were of gold, in gold, and of siluer, in siluer, the captaine of the guard tooke away.
The two pillars, † one sea and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of the LORD, the brasse of all these vessels was without weight.
* The height of the one pillar was eighteene cubits, and the chapiter vpon it was brasse: and the height of the chapiter three cubites, & the wreathen worke, and pomegranates vpon the chapiter round about, all of brasse: and like vnto these had the second pillar with wreathen worke.
And the captaine of the guard tooke Seraiah the cheefe Priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the † doore.
And out of the citie he tooke an ‖officer that had charge ouer the men of warre, and fiue men of them that were in the kings presence which were found in the city, and the ‖principall Scribe of the hoste, which mustered the people of the land, and three-score men of the people of the land that were found in the city.
And Nebuzaradan captaine of the guard tooke them, and brought them to the King of Babylon to Riblah.
And the King of Babylon smote them and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath: so Iudah was carried away out of their land.

22 ¶ * And as for the people that remained in the land of Iudah, whom Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon had left, euen ouer them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, † son of Shaphan, ruler. * Ier. 40. 5, 9.

23 And when all the * Captaines of the armies, they, and their men, heard that the King of Babylon had made Gedaliah gouernour, there came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, euen Ishmael † son of Nethaniah, and Iohanan the son of Careah, and Seraiah the sonne of Tanhumeth the Netophahite, and Iaazaniah the sonne of a Maachathite, they and their men. * Ier. 40. 7

24 And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their men, and said vnto them: Feare not to bee the seruants of the Caldees: dwell in the land and serue the King of Babylon: and it shall be well with you.

25 But it came to passe in † seuenth moneth, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of † the seed royal, came, and ten men with him, and * smote Gedaliah that he died, and the Iewes and the Caldees that were with him at Mizpah. † Hebr. of the kingdome

26 And all the people both small and great, and the captains of the armies arose, and came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the Caldees. * Ier. 41. 2, 3

27 ¶ And it came to passe in the seuen and thirtieth yeere of the captiuity of Iehoiachin King of Iudah, in the twelfth moneth, on the seuen and twentieth day of the month, that Euil-merodach King of Babylon, in the yeere that he began to reigne, did lift vp the head of Iehoiachin King of Iudah out of prison.

28 And hee spake † kindly to him, and set his throne aboue the throne of the Kings that were with him in Babylon. † Hebr. good things

29 And changed his prison garments, and he did eate bread continually before him all the dayes of his life. with him

30 And his allowance was a continuall allowance giuen him of the King, a daily rate for euery day, all the dayes of his life.

THE FIRST BOOKE OF THE CHRONICLES.

CHAP. I.

Adams line to Noah. 3 The sons of Iapheth. 8 The sonnes of Ham. 17 The sonnes of Shem. 24 Shems line to Abraham. 29 Ishmaels sons. 32 The sons of Keturah. 34 The posterity of Abraham by Esau. 43 Kings of Edom. 51 The dukes of Edom.

ADam, * Sheth, Enosh,
2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Iered
3 Henoch, Methushelah, Lamech.
4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Iapheth.
5 ¶ * The sonnes of Iapheth: Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Iauan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.
6 And the sonnes of Gomer: Ashchenaz, and Diphath, and Togarmah.
7 And the sonnes of Iauan: Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and ‖ Dodanim.
8 ¶ The sonnes of Ham: Cush, and Mizraim, and Canaan.
9 And the sonnes of Cush: Seba, and Hauilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha: and the sonnes of Raamah: Sheba, and Dedan.
10 And Cush * begate Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one vpon the earth.
11 And Mizraim begate Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,
12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines) and * Caphthorim. * Deut. 2. 23.
13 And Canaan begate Zidon his first borne, and Heth.
14 The Iebusite also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,
15 And the Hiuite, & the Arkite, and the Sinite,
16 And the Aruadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite
17 ¶ The sonnes of * Shem: Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud and Aram, and Vz, and Hul, and Gether, and ‖ Meshech. * Gene. 10. 23. & 11. 10.
18 And Arphaxad begate Shelah, and Shelah begate Eber. ‖ Or, Mash.
19 And vnto Eber were borne two sons: † name of † one was Peleg (because in his dayes the earth was diuided) and his brothers name was Ioktan. Gen. 10. 25. † That is, diuision.
20 And * Ioktan begate Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaueth, and Ierah, * Gene. 10. 26.
21 Hadoram also, and Vzal, and Diklah,
22 And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,
23 And Ophir, and Hauilah, and Iobab: all these were the sonnes of Ioktan.
24 ¶ * Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah, * Luke 3. 34. * Gene. 11. 10.
25 * Eber, Peleg, Reu;
26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,
27 * Abram

27 * Abram, the same is Abraham.
28 The sons of Abraham: * Isaac, and * Ishmael.
29 ¶ These are their generations: The * first borne of Ishmael, Nebaioth, then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam.
30 Mishma, & Dumah, Massa, ‖ Hadad, and Tema.
31 Ietur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sonnes of Ishmael.
32 ¶ Now the sonnes of Keturah Abrahams concubine: she bare Zemran, and Iokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Iokshan: Sheba, and Dedan.
33 And the sonnes of Midian: Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these are the sonnes of Keturah.
34 And Abraham begate Isaac: The sons of Isaac, Esau, and Israel.
35 ¶ The sonnes of * Esau: Eliphaz, Reuel, and Ieush, and Ialam, and Korah.
36 The sonnes of Eliphaz: Teman, and Omar, ‖ Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, & Timnah, and Amalek.
37 The sonnes of Reuel: Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.
38 And the sonnes of Seir: Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan.
39 And the sons of Lotan: Hori, and ‖ Homam: and Timna *was* Lotans sister.
40 The sonnes of Shobal: ‖ Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, ‖ Shephi, and Onam. And the sonnes of Zibeon: Aiah, and Anah.
41 The sonnes of Anah, * Dishon. And the sonns of Dishon: ‖ Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.
42 The sonnes of Ezer: Bilhan, and Zauan, *and* ‖ Iakan. The sonnes of Dishon: Vz, and Aran.
43 ¶ Now these *are* the * Kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before any King reigned ouer the children of Israel: Bela the sonne of Beor, and the name of his city was Dinhabah.
44 And when Bela was dead, Iobab the son of Zerah of Bostah, reigned in his stead.
45 And when Iobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites, reigned in his stead.
46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad (which smote Midian in the field of Moab) reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Auith.
47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah, reigned in his stead.
48 And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth * by the river, reigned in his stead.
49 And when Shaul was dead, Baal-hanan the sonne of Achbor, reigned in his stead.
50 And when Baal-hanan was dead, ‖ Hadad reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* ‖ Pai: and his wives name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.
51 ¶ Hadad died also. And the * Dukes of Edom were: Duke Timnah, Duke Aliah, Duke Ietheth,
52 Duke Aholibamah, Duke Elah, Duke Pinon,
53 Duke Kenaz, Duke Teman, Duke Mibzar,
54 Duke Magdiel, Duke Iram: These *are* the Dukes of Edom.

CHAP. II.

1 The sonnes of Israel. 3 The posterity of Iudah by Tamar. 13 The children of Iesse. 18 The posterity of Caleb the sonne of Hesron. 21 Hesrons posterity by the daughter of Machir. 25 Ierahmeels posterity. 34 Sheshans posterity. 42 Another branch of Calebs posterity. 50 The posterity of Caleb the sonne of Hur.

THese *are* the sonnes of ‖ Israel: * Reuben, Simeon, Leui, and Iudah, Issachar, and Zebulun,
2 Dan, Ioseph, and Beniamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
3 ¶ The sonnes of * Iudah: Er, and Onan, and Shelah: *Which* three were borne vnto him of the daughter of * Shuah * the Canaanitesse. And Er the first borne of Iudah was euill in the sight of the LORD, and he slew him.
4 And * Tamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Iudah were five.
5 The sonnes of * Pharez: Hezron and Hamul.
6 And the sons of Zerah ‖ Zimri, * and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and ‖ Dara, five of them in all.
7 And the sons of Carmi: ‖ Achar the troubler of Israel, who transgressed in the thing * accursed.
8 And the sonnes of Ethan: Azariah.
9 The sonnes also of Hezron, that were borne vnto him: Ierahmeel, and ‖ Ram, and ‖ Chelubai.
10 And Ram * begat Aminadab, and Aminadab begate Nahshon, Prince of the children of Iudah.
11 And Nahshon begate Salma, and Salma begate Boaz.
12 And Boaz begat Obed, & Obed begate Iesse.
13 ¶ * And Iesse begate his first borne Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and ‖ Shimma the third,
14 Nathaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,
15 Ozem the sixth, Dauid the seuenth:
16 Whose sisters were Zeruiah, and Abigail. And the sonnes of Zeruiah: Abishai, and Ioab, and Asahel, three.
17 And Abigail bare Amasa. And the father of Amasa, *was* Iether the Ismeelite.
18 ¶ And Caleb the son of Hezron begate children of Azubah *his* wife, and of Ierioth: her sonnes *are* these: Iether, Shobab, and Ardon.
19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb tooke vnto him Ephrath, which bare him Hur.
20 And Hur begate Vri, and Vri begate * Bezaleel.
21 ¶ And afterward Hezron went in vnto the daughter of Machir, the father of Gilead, whom he † married when he *was* threescore yeres old, and shee bare him Segub.
22 And Segub begate Iair, who had three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.
23 * And he tooke Geshur, and Aram, with the townes of Iair, from them, with Kenath, and the townes thereof, *euen* threescore cities. All these *longed to* the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.
24 And after that Hezron was dead in Caleb-ephratah, then Abiah Hezrons wife bare him Ashur the father of Tekoa.
25 ¶ And the sons of Ierahmeel the first borne of Hezron, were Ram the first borne, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, *and* Ahijah.
26 Ierahmeel had also another wife, who was called Atarah, she *was* the mother of Onam.
27 And the sonnes of Ram the first borne of Ierahmeel, were Maaz, and Iamin, and Eker.
28 And the sonnes of Onam were Shammai, and Iada. And the sonnes of Shammai: Nadab, and Abishur.
29 And the name of the wife of Abishur was Abihail, and she bare him Ahban and Molid.
30 And the sonnes of Nadab: Seled, and Appaim. But Seled died without children.
31 And the sonnes of Appaim: This and the sons of Ishi, Sheshan: and the children of Sheshan: Ahlai.
32 And the sonnes of Iada the brother of She-

ther, and Ionathan: and Iether died without

And the sonnes of Ionathan, Peleth, and Zaza. were the sonnes of Ierahmeel.

Now Sheshan had no sonnes, but daughters: Sheshan had a seruant, an Egyptian, whose was Iarha.

And Sheshan gaue his daughter to Iarha his to wife, and she bare him Attai.

And Attai begate Nathan, and Nathan begat bad.

And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begate

And Obed begate Iehu, and Iehu begate iah,

And Azariah begate Helez, and Helez begate ah,

And Eleasah begate Sisamai, and Sisamai be-Shallum,

And Shallum begate Iekamiah, and Iekamiah e Elishama.

Now the sonnes of Caleb the brother of Ie-el were, Mesha his first borne, which was the r of Ziph: and the sonnes of Maresha the fa- of Hebron.

And the sonnes of Hebron: Korah, and Tap- and Rekem, and Shema.

And Shema begate Raham, the father of Ior- and Rekem begate Shammai.

And the sonne of Shammai was Maon: and was the father of Beth-zur.

And Ephah Calebs concubine bare Haran, and and Gazez: and Haran begate Gazez.

And the sons of Iahdai: Regem, and Iotham, shan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.

Maacha Calebs concubine, bare Sheber, and ah.

She bare also Shaaph the father of Madman- nah the father of Machbenah, and the father ah: and the daughter of Caleb was Achsah.

These were the sonnes of Caleb the sonne of he first borne of Ephratah, Shobal the father Kiath-iearim.

Salma the father of Bethlehem: Hareph the of Beth-gader.

And Shobal the father of Kiriath-iearim, had Haroe, and halfe of the Manahethites.

And the families of Kiriath-iearim the Ith- and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the hites of them came the Zareathites, and the ites.

The sons of Salmah: Bethlehem, and the Ne- hites, Ataroth, the house of Ioab, and halfe Manahethites, the Zorites.

And the families of the Scribes which dwelt the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, and Su- ites. These are the Kenites that came of He- the father of the house of Rechab.

CHAP. III.

The sonnes of Dauid. 10 *His line to Zedekiah.* 19 *The successors of Iechoniah.*

Now these were the sons of Dauid which were borne vnto him in Hebron. The first borne, Amnon, of Ahinoam the Iezreelitesse: the se- Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitesse: the third, Absalom the sonne of Maacha, the ter of Talmai King of Geshur: the fourth, the sonne of Haggith;

the fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, by Eglah his wife.

These six were borne vnto him in Hebron, and reigned seuen yeeres, and six moneths: and in Ierusalem he reigned thirty & three yeeres.

5 And these were borne vnto him in Ierusalem, Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, foure of Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel:

6 Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

7 And Noga, and Nepheg, and Iaphia,

8 And Elishama, & Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.

9 These were all the sonnes of Dauid: beside the sonnes of the concubines, and Tamar their sister.

10 And Solomons sonne was Rehoboam: Abiah his son: Asa his son: Iehoshaphat his sonne:

11 Ioram his sonne: Ahaziah his sonne: Ioash his sonne:

12 Amaziah his sonne: Azariah his sonne: Iotham his sonne:

13 Ahaz his sonne: Hezekiah his sonne: Manasseh his sonne:

14 Amon his sonne: Iosiah his sonne.

15 And the sonnes of Iosiah were: the first borne Iohanan, the second Ioakim: the third Zedekiah, the fourth Sallum.

16 And the sonnes of Ioakim: Ieconiah his sonne, Zedekiah his sonne.

17 And the sonnes of Ieconiah, Asir, Salathiel his sonne,

18 Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Iecamiah, Hosama, and Nedabiah.

19 And the sonnes of Pedaiah were: Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sonnes of Zerubbabel, Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:

20 And Hasubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Iushabhesed, fiue.

21 And the sonnes of Hananiah, Pelatiah, and Iesaiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sonnes of Obadiah, the sonnes of Sechaniah.

22 And the sonnes of Sechaniah, Semaiah: and the sonnes of Semaiah, Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.

23 And the sonnes of Neariah: Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.

24 And the sonnes of Elioenai were: Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Iohanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seuen.

* 2. Sam. 5.14.

Or, Shamua, 2. Sam. 5.14.

Or, Beth-sabe, 2. sam. 11.13.

Or, Eliada, 2. sam. 5.16.

Or, Eliphua, 2. sam 5.15.

Or, Bethada, 1. chro. 14.7.

* 2. Sam. 13.1.

* 1. Kings 11.43. & 15.8.

Or, Abiam, 1. kin. 15.1.

Or, Azaziah, 2. kin. 8.29. & 22.1.

Or, Vzziah, 2. kings 15.30.

Or, Ioachaz, 2. kin. 23.30.

Or, Eliakim, 2. kin. 23.34.

Or, Mattaniah, 2. kin. 24.17

* Matth. 1.11.

Or, Iechonias, 2. kings 24.6. Or Coniah, Jerem. 22.24. † Heb. Shealtiel. * 2. Kings 24.17. being his vncle. * Matt. 1.12. † Heb. Hukiah.

CHAP. IIII.

1. 11. *The posterity of Iudah by Caleb the sonne of Hur, 5 of Asher the posthumus son of Hezron.* 9 *Of Iabez and his prayer.* 21 *The posterity of Shelah.* 24 *The posterity and cities of Simeon.* 39 *Their conquest of Gedor, and of the Amalekites in mount Seir.*

THe sonnes of Iudah: Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.

* Gen. 38. 29. & 46. 12.

2 And Reaiah the sonne of Shobal begate Iahath, and Iahath begate Ahumai, and Lahad. These are the families of the Zorathites.

Or, Chahai, chap. 2. 52.

3 And these were of the father of Etam: Iezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister was Hazelelponi.

Or, Calab, chap. 2. 18.

4 And Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sonnes of Hur, the first borne of Ephratah, the father of Bethlehem.

Or, Hareph, chap. 2. 52.

5 And Asher the father of Tekoa, had two wiues: Helah, and Naarah.

* Chap. 2. 24.

6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Ahashtari. These were the sonnes of Naarah.

7 And the sonnes of Helah were: Zereth, and Zoar, and Ethnan;

8 And Coz begate Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the sonne of Haram.

‖ That is, sorrowfull. † Hebr. If thou wilt, &c. † Hebr. doe me.

9 ¶ And Iabez was more honourable then his brethren: and his mother called his name ‖ Iabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.

10 And Iabez called on the God of Israel, saying, † Oh that thou wouldest blesse me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest † keepe me from euill, that it may not grieue me. And God granted him that which he requested.

11 ¶ And Chelub the brother of Shuah begate Mehir, which *was* the father of Eshton.

12 And Eshton begate Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of ‖ Irnahash. These *are* the men of Rechah.

‖ Or, the city of Nahash.

13 And the sonnes of Kenaz: Othniel and Seraiah: and the sonnes of Othniel, ‖ Hathath.

‖ Or, Harashim & Meonothai, who begate, &c.

14 And Meonothai begate Ophrah: and Seraiah begate Ioab, the father of the ‖ valley of ‖ Charashim: for they were craftsmen.

‖ Or, inhabitants of the valley. ‖ That is, craftsmen

15 And the sonnes of Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh: Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the sonnes of Elah, euen Kenaz.

‖ Or, Uknaz.

16 And the sonnes of Iehalelel: Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.

‖ Or, the Iewesse.

17 And the sons of Ezra *were*: Iether and Mered, and Epher, and Ialon: and thee bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

18 And his wife ‖ Iehudijah bare Iered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Iekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these are the sonnes of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered tooke.

‖ Or, Iehudiyah, mentioned before.

19 And the sonnes of his wife ‖ Hodiah, the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

20 And the sonnes of Simeon *were*: Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sonnes of Ishi *were*: Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.

* Gene. 38 2, 5.

21 ¶ The sonnes of Shelah, * the sonne of Iudah, *were*: Er the father of Lecah, & Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linnen, of the house of Ashbea.

‖ Or, Iemuel, Gene. 46. 10 exo. 6. 15

22 And Iokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Ioash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in Moab, and Iashubi-Lehem. And these are ancient things.

† Hebr. writ. * Iosh. 19. 2.

23 These *were* the Potters, and those that dwelt amongst plants and hedges. There they dwelt with the King for his worke.

24 ¶ The sonnes of Simeon *were*: ‖ Nemuel, and Iamin, Iarib, Zerah, and Shaul:

‖ Or, Bela Iosh. 19. 3

25 Shallum his sonne: Mibsam his son: Mishma his sonne.

‖ Or, Elzabad, Iosh. 19. 4.

26 And the sonnes of Mishma: Hamuel his sonne, Zacchur his sonne, Shimei his sonne.

‖ Or, Hazer-Susa, Iosh. 19. 5

27 And Shimei *had* sixteene sonnes, and sixe daughters, but his brethren had not many children: neither did all their family multiply † like to the children of Iudah.

‖ Or, Esher. Iosh 19. 7.

28 And they dwelt at * Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,

‖ Or, Bazlach Beer Iosh. 19. 8

29 And at ‖ Bilha, and at Ezem, and at ‖ Tolad,

30 And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,

‖ Or, as they diuided them selues by nations among them.

31 And at Beth-marcaboth, and ‖ Hazar-Susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These were their cities, vnto the reigne of Dauid.

32 And their villages *were*: ‖ Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, fiue cities.

33 And all their villages that *were* round about the same cities, vnto ‖ Baal. These were their habitations, and their ‖ genealogie:

34 And Meshobab, and Iamlech, and Iosha the sonne of Amaziah,

35 And Ioel, and Iehu the sonne of Iosibiah, the sonne of Seraia, the sonne of Asiel,

36 And Elioenai, and Iaakobah, and Ieshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Iesimiel, and Benaiah,

37 And Ziza the sonne of Shiphi, the sonne of Allon, the sonne of Iedaiah, the sonne of Shimri, the sonne of Shemaiah,

38 These † mentioned by their names, were princes in their families, and the house of their fathers increased greatly.

39 ¶ And they went to the entrance of Gedor, euen vnto the East side of the valley, to seeke pasture for their flocks.

40 And they found fat pasture and good, and land *was* wide, and quiet, and peaceable: for they of Ham had dwelt there of old.

41 And these written by name came in the dayes of Hezekiah King of Iudah, and smote their tents, and the habitations that were found there, and destroyed them vtterly vnto this day, and dwelt in their roomes: because there was pasture there for their flocks.

42 And some of them, *even* of the sonnes of Simeon, fiue hundred men, went to mount Seir, hauing for their captaines Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Vzziel, sonnes of Ishi,

43 And they smote the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there vnto this day.

CHAPTER V.

1 The line of Ruben vnto the captiuity. 9 The habitation of the Hagarites. 11 The line of Gad. 18 The number of the men of warre of Ruben, Gad, and the halfe of Manasseh. 23 The dwelling and chiefe men of that halfe tribe. 25 Their captiuity for their sinne.

NOw the sonnes of Reuben the first borne of Israel (for he *was* the first borne, but forasmuch as hee defiled his father's bed, his birthright was giuen vnto the sonnes of Ioseph the sonne of Israel: and the genealogie is not to be reckoned after the birthright.

2 For * Iudah preuailed aboue his brethren, and of him came the * chiefe ruler; but the birthright was * Ioseph's.)

3 * The sons, *I say*, of Reuben the first borne of Israel, *were*: Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

4 The sonnes of Ioel: Shemaiah his sonne, Gog his sonne: Shimei his sonne,

5 Micah his sonne: Reaia his sonne: Baal his sonne,

6 Beerah his sonne, whom Tilgath-pilneser King of Assyria carried away captiue: he *was* Prince of the Reubenites.

7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogie of their generations was reckoned, *were* the chiefe, Ieiel, and Zechariah,

8 And Bela the sonne of Azaz, the sonne of Shema, the sonne of Ioel, who dwelt in Aroer, euen vnto Nebo, and Baal-meon.

9 And Eastward he inhabited vnto the entring of the wildernes from the riuer Euphrates: because their cattel were multiplied in the land of Gilead.

10 And in the dayes of Saul they made warre with the Hagarites, who fell by their hands: and they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east land of Gilead.

11 ¶ And the children of Gad dwelt ouer against them in the land of * Bashan vnto Salcah.

12 Ioel the chiefe, and Shapham the next, and Iaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

And their brethren of the house of their fa-
rs, were: Michael, & Meshullam, and Sheba, and
ah, and Iachan, and Zia, and Heber, seuen.
These are the children of Abihail, the sonne of
ri, the sonne of Iaroah, the son of Gilead, the son
Michael, the sonne of Iesh shai, the son of Iahdo,
sonne of Buz:
Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chiefe
he house of their fathers.
And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in
r townes, and in all the suburbes of * Sharon vp-
† their borders.
All these were reckoned by genealogies in
e dayes of Iotham * King of Iudah, and in the
yes of Ieroboam King of Israel.
¶ The sonnes of Reuben, and the Gadites, and
lfe the tribe of Manasseh of † valiant men, men
e to beare buckler and sword, and to shoot with
w, and skilfull in warre, were fourre and fourty
and seuen hundred and threescore, that went
to the warre.
And they made war with the Hagarites, with
tur, and Nphish, and Nodab.
And they were helped against them, and the
garites were deliuered into their hand, and all
were with them: for they cryed to God in the
ell, and he was intreated of them, because they
their trust in him.
And they † tooke away their cattell: of their
els fifty thousand, and of sheepe two hundred
fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and
men an hundred thousand.
For there fell downe many slaine, because the
e was of God. And they dwelt in their steads
l the captiuity.
And the children of the halfe tribe of Manas-
dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan
Baal Hermon, & Senir, & vnto mount Hermon.
And these were the heads of the house of their
rs, euen Epher, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel,
Ieremiah, and Hodauiah, and Iahdiel, mighty
of valour, † famous men, and heads of the
of their fathers.
And they transgressed against the God of
fathers, and went * a whoring after the gods
people of the land, whom God destroyed be-
re them.
And the God of Israel stirred vp the spirit of
Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of Tilgath Pil-
king of Assyria, and he caried them away (euen
Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the halfe tribe
Manasseh) & brought them vnto * Halah, and Ha-
and Hara, and to the riuer Gozan vnto this day.

CHAP. VI.

*The sonnes of Leui. 4 The time of the Priests
office captiuity. 15 The families of Gershom,
Kohath, and Kohath. 49 The office of Aaron, and
his vnto Abimaaz.*

The sonnes of Leui: * ‖ Gershon, Kohath, and
Merari.
And the sons of Kohath: Amram, Izahar, and
bron, and Vzziel.
And the children of Amram: Aaron, and Mo-
and Miriam. The sonnes also of Aaron: * Na-
and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
Eleazar begate Phinehas, Phinehas begate
ua.
And Abishua begate Bukki, and Bukki be-
Vzzi,
And Vzzi begate Zerahiah, and Zerahiah be-
Meraioth,
Meraioth begate Amariah, and Amariah be-
Ahitub,
Ahitub begate Zadok, and Zadok begate
Ahimaaz,
And Ahimaaz begate Azariah, and Azariah
begate Iohanan,
And Iohanan begate Azariah, (hee it is that
executed the Priests office in † the * Temple that
Solomon built in Ierusalem.)
And Azariah begate Amariah, and Amariah
begate Ahitub,
And Ahitub begate Zadok, and Zadok be-
gate ‖ Shallum,
And Shallum begate Hilkiah, and Hilkiah
begate Azariah,
And Azariah begate * Seraiah, and Seraiah
begate Iehozadak,
And Iehozadak went *into captiuity*, * when
the LORD caried away Iudah and Ierusalem by
the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar.
¶ The sonnes of Leui: * ‖ Gershom, Kohath,
and Merari.
And these *be* the names of the sonnes of Ger-
shom: Libni, and Shimei.
And the sonnes of Kohath *were*: Amram, and
Izhar, and Hebron, and Vzziel.
The sons of Merari: Mahli, and Mushi. And
these *are* the families of the Leuites, according to
their fathers.
Of Gershom: Libni his son, Iahath his sonne,
* Zimmah his sonne,
Ioah his son, ‖ Iddo his sonne, Zerah his son,
Ieaterai his sonne.
The sons of Kohath: ‖ Amminadab his sonne,
Korah his sonne, Assir his sonne,
Elkanah his sonne, and Ebiasaph his son, and
Assir his sonne,
Tahath his son, Vriel his son, Vzziah his sonne,
and Shaul his sonne.
And the sonnes of Elkanah: * Amasai, and
Ahimoth.
As for Elkanah: the sonnes of Elkanah, ‖ Zo-
phai his sonne, and Nahath his sonne,
Eliab his son, Ieroham his son, Elkanah his son.
And the sonnes of Samuel: the first borne,
Vashni and Abiah.
The sonnes of Merari: Mahli, Libni his sonne,
Shimei his sonne, Vzzah his sonne,
Shimea his sonne, Haggiah his sonne, Asaiah his
sonne.
And these are they whom Dauid set ouer the
seruice of Song in the house of the Lord, after that
the * Arke had rest.
And they † ministred before the dwelling place
of the Tabernacle of the congregation with sing-
ing, vntill Solomon had built the house of the
LORD in Ierusalem: and then they waited on their
office, according to their order.
And these are they that † waited with their
children of the sonnes of the Kohathites: Heman
a singer: the sonne of Ioel, the sonne of Shemuel,
The sonne of Elkanah, the sonne of Ieroham,
the sonne of Eliel, the sonne of Toah,
The sonne of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son
of Mahath, the sonne of Amasai,
The sonne of Elkanah, the son of Ioel, the son
of Azariah, the sonne of Zephaniah,
The sonne of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son
of * Ebiasaph, the sonne of Korah,
The sonne of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son
of Leui, the sonne of Israel.
And his brother Asaph (who stood on his
right hand) *euen* Asaph the sonne of Berachiah, the
sonne of Shimea,

*2. Sam. 15.27.
†Heb. in the house.
*2. Chro. 3 1. king. 6.
‖ Or, Meshullam. 1. Chron. 9.11.
*Nehe. 11.11.
*2. Kings 25.18.
*Exod. 6.17.
‖ Or, Gershom. v.1.
*ver. 42.
‖Or, Ethan, ver. 44.
‖Or, Adaia, ver. 41.
‖Or, Izahar, ver. 2.18.
*See 35. and 56. verses.
‖Or, Zuph 1. Sam. 1.1. called also Ioel, v. 33. & 1. Sam. 8.2.
* Chap. 16.1.
† Heb. stood.
* Exod. 6.24.

40 The sonne of Michael, the son of Baasiah, the sonne of Melchiah,

41 The sonne of Ethni, the sonne of Zerah, the sonne of Adaiah,

42 The sonne of Ethan, the sonne of Zimmah, the sonne of Shimei,

43 The son of Iahath, the sonne of Gershom, the sonne of Leui.

44 And their brethren the sons of Merari *stood* on the left hand: Ethan the son of ‖ Kishi, the son of Abdi, the sonne of Malluch,

‖ Or, Kushaiah, cha. 15. 17

45 The sonne of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the sonne of Hilkiah,

46 The son of Amzi, the sonne of Bani, the sonne of Shamer,

47 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the sonne of Merari, the sonne of Leui.

48 Their brethren also the Leuites were appointed vnto all maner of seruice of the Tabernacle of the house of God.

* Leuit. 1. 9. * Exod. 30. 7.

49 ¶ But Aaron and his sonnes offered * vpon the Altar of the burnt offering, and * on the Altar of incense, *and were appointed* for all the worke of the place most holy, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the seruant of God had commanded.

50 And these *are* the sonnes of Aaron: Eleazar his sonne, Phinehas his sonne, Abishua his sonne,

51 Bukki his son, Vzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,

52 Meraioth his sonne, Amariah his sonne, Ahitub his sonne,

53 Zadok his sonne, Ahimaaz his sonne.

54 ¶ Now these *are* their dwelling places throwout their castles in their coasts, of the sonnes of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: for theirs was the lot.

55 And they gaue them Hebron in the land of Iudah, and the suburbes thereof round about it.

56 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gaue to Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh.

57 And to the sons of Aaron they gaue the cities of Iudah, namely, Hebron the city of refuge, and Libna with her suburbes, and Iattir, and Eshtemoa with their suburbes,

‖ Or, Holon iosh. 21. 15.

58 And ‖ Hilen with her suburbes, Debir with her suburbes,

‖ Or, Ain, iosh. 21. 16 ‖ Or, Almon, iosh. 21. 18.

59 And ‖ Ashan with her suburbes, and Bethshemesh with her suburbes.

60 And out of the tribe of Beniamin, Geba with her suburbes, and ‖ Alemeth with her suburbes, Anathoth with her suburbes. All their cities throwout their families *were* thirteene cities.

61 And vnto the sons of Kohath which were left of the family of that tribe, *were cities giuen* out of the halfe tribe, *namely*, out of the halfe *tribe* of Manasseh by * lot, ten cities.

* Iosh. 21. 5

62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families, out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteene cities.

63 Vnto the sonnes of Merari *were giuen* by lot throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, * twelue cities.

* Iosh. 21. 7. 34.

64 And the children of Israel gaue to the Leuites these cities with their suburbes.

65 And they gaue by lot out of the tribe of the children of Iudah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Beniamin, these cities which are called by *their* names.

66 And the *residue* of the families of the sonnes of Kohath, had cities of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.

67 * And they gaue vnto them of the cities of refuge, Shechem in mount Ephraim with her suburbes: *they gaue* also Gezer with her suburbes,

68 And Iokmeam with her suburbes, and Bethhoron with her suburbes,

69 And Aialon with her suburbes, and Gathrimmon with her suburbes.

70 And out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh Aner with her suburbes, and Bileam with her suburbes, the family of the remnant of the sonnes of Kohath.

71 Vnto the sons of Gershom, *were giuen* out of the family of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her suburbes, and Ashtaroth with her suburbes.

72 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kedesh with her suburbes, Daberath with her suburbes,

73 And Ramoth with her suburbes, and Anem with her suburbes.

74 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mashal with her suburbes, and Abdon with her suburbes,

75 And Hukok with her suburbes, and Rehob with her suburbes.

76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbes, and Hammon with her suburbes, and Kirjathaim with her suburbes.

77 Vnto the rest of the children of Merari, *were giuen* out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmono with her suburbes, Tabor with her suburbes,

78 And on the other side Iordan by Iericho, on the East side of Iordan *were giuen them* out of the tribe of Reuben, ‖ Bezer in the wilderneſſe with her suburbes, and Iahzah with her suburbes,

79 Kedemoth also with her suburbes, and Mephaath with her suburbes.

80 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbes, and Mahanaim with her suburbes,

81 And Heshbon with her suburbes, and Iaazer with her suburbes.

CHAP. VII.

1 *The sonnes of Issachar.* 6 *Of Benjamin,* 8 *Naphtali,* 14 *Of Manasseh.* 20 *Ephraim.*
21 *The calamity of Ephraim by the men of Gath.*
23 *Beriah is borne.* 28 *Ephraims inheritance.*
30 *The sonnes of Asher.*

NOw the sonnes of Issachar *were* * Tola, and Puah, Iashub, and Shimron, foure.

2 And the sonnes of Tola: Vzzi, and Rephaiah and Ieriel, and Iahmai, and Ibsam, and Shemuel heads of their fathers house, *to wit*, of Tola: *were* valiant men of might in their generations, * whose number *was* in the dayes of Dauid two and twenty thousand and six hundred.

3 And the sons of Vzzi, Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah, Michael, and Obadiah, and Ioel, Isshiah, fiue: all of them chiefe men.

4 And with them by their generations, after the house of their fathers, were bands of souldiers for warre, six and thirtie thousand men: for they had many wiues and sonnes.

5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar, *were* men of valour reckoned in all by their genealogies, fourescore and seuen thousand.

6 ¶ *The sons of* * the sonnes of Beniamin; Bela, and Becher, and Iediael, three.

7 And the sonnes of Bela: Ezbon, and Vzzi, and Vzziel, and Ierimoth, and Iri, fiue chiefe heads of *their* fathers, mighty men of valour, and reckoned by their genealogies, twentie and two thousand and thirtie and foure.

8 And the sons of Becher: Zemira and Ioash and Eliezer and Elioenai, and Omri and Ieremoth, and Abia, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these are the sonnes of Becher.

9 And the number of them after their genealogie by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.

10 The sons also of Iediael, Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan, Ieush, and Beniamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.

11 All these the sons of Iediael, by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *were* seuentene thousand, and two hundred souldiers, fit to goe out for warre *and* battell.

12 Shuppim also and Huppim, the children of Ir, and Hushim the sonnes of ‖ Aher.

13 ¶ The sons of Naphtali, Iahziel, and Guni, and Iezer, and Shallum the sonnes of Bilhah.

14 ¶ The sons of Manasseh, Asriel, whom she (*or, his concubine the Aramitesse, bare Machir the father of Gilead.

15 And Machir tooke to wife *the sister* of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sisters name was Maachah) and the name of the second *was* Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.

16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh, and the name of his brother *was* Sheresh, and his sons *were* Ulam and Rakem.

17 And the sons of Ulam, * Bedan. These *were* the sonnes of Gilead, the sonne of Machir the sonne of Manasseh.

18 And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and Mahalah.

19 And the sonnes of Shemida *were* Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.

20 ¶ And the sonnes of Ephraim, Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his sonne, and Eladah his sonne, and Tahath his sonne,

21 ¶ And Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his sonne, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath, that were borne in that land, slew, because they came downe to take away their cattell.

22 And Ephraim their father mourned many dayes, and his brethren came to comfort him.

23 ¶ And when he went into his wife, she conceiued and bare a son, and he called his name Beriah, because it went euill with his house.

24 (And his daughter was Sherah, who built Beth-horon ‖ nether, & the vpper, & Vzzen-Sherah.)

25 And Rephah *was* his son, also Resoph, and Telah his sonne, and Tahan his sonne,

26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his sonne, Elishama his sonne,

27 ¶ Non his son, Iehoshua his sonne.

28 ¶ And their possessions and habitations *were* Bethel, and the townes thereof, and Eastward * Naaran, and Westward Gezer, with the ‖ townes thereof, Shechem also and the townes thereof, vnto ‖ Gaza and the towes thereof.

29 And by the borders of the children of * Manasseh, Bethshean and her townes, Taanach and her townes, * Megiddo and her townes, Dor and her townes. In these dwelt the children of Ioseph the sonne of Israel.

30 ¶ The sonnes of Asher: Imnah, and Ishuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister.

31 And the sons of Beriah: Heber, and Malchiel, who is the father of Birzauith.

32 And Heber begat Iaphlet, and Shomer, and Hotham and Shuah their sister.

33 And the sons of Iaphlet: Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashuath. These *are* the children of Iaphlet.

34 And the sonnes of Shamer: Ahi and Rohgah Iehubbah, and Aram.

35 And the sonne of his brother Helem: Zophah and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.

36 The sons of Zophah: Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah:

37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.

38 And the sonnes of Iether: Iephunneh, and Pispa, and Ara.

39 And the sonnes of Vlla: Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

40 All these *were* the children of Asher, heads of their fathers house, choice *and* mighty men of valour, chiefe of the princes. And ‖ number throughout the genealogie of them that were apt to ‖ warre and to the battell, was twenty and six thousand men.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *The sonnes and chiefe men of Beniamin.* 33 *The stocke of Saul and Ionathan.*

NOw Beniamin begate * Bela his first borne, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third,

2 Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth,

3 And the sons of Bela *were* ‖ Adder, and Gera, and Abihud,

4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,

5 And Gera, and ‖ Shephuphan, and Huram.

6 And these are the sonnes of Ehud: these *are* the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Geba, and they remoued them to * Manahath:

7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he remoued them, and begate Vzza, and Ahihud.

8 And Shaharaim begat *children* in the country of Moab: After hee had sent them away: Hushim and Baara were his wiues.

9 And he begate of Hodesh his wife, Iobab and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,

10 And Ieuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sonnes, heads of the fathers.

11 And of Hushim he begate Ahitub, and Elpaal.

12 The sonnes of Elpaal: Eber, and Misham, and Shamed who built Ono and Lod with the townes thereof.

13 Beriah also and Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aialon, who driue away the inhabitants of Gath.

14 And Ahio, Shashak and Ieremoth,

15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Ioha the ‖ sonnes of Beriah,

17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

18 Ishmerai also and Iezliah, and Iobab the sons of Elpaal.

19 And Iakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sonnes of ‖ Shimhi,

22 And Ishpan, and Heber and Eliel,

23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,

24 And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,

25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sonnes of Shashak,

26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

27 And Iaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri the sonnes of Ieroham.

28 These *were* heads of the fathers by their generations, chiefe men. These dwelt in Ierusalem.

* Genes. 46.21. numb. 26.38.
‖ Or, Ard Gen. 46. 21.
‖ Or. Shupham. Numb. 26.39.
* Chap. 2. 52.

‖ Called, Iehuel. chap. 9. 35

29 And at Gibeon *dwelt* the ‖ Father of Gibeon, (whose * wiues name *was* Maachah:)

* Chap. 9. 35.

30 And his first borne sonne, Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and ‖ Zacher,

‖ Or, Zechariah. 1 chron. 9. 37

32 And Mikloth begate ‖ Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Ierusalem ouer against them.

‖ Or, Shimam. chap. 8. 38

33 ¶ And * Ner begate Kish, and Kish begate Saul, and Saul begate Ionathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and ‖ Eshbaal.

* 1. Sam. 14. 51.

34 And the sonne of Ionathan, *was* ‖ Meribbaal, and Meribbaal begat Micah.

‖ Or, Ishbosheth. 2 Sam. 2. 8.

35 And the sons of Micah *were* Pithon, and Melech, and ‖ Tarea, and Ahaz.

‖ Or, Mephibosheth. 2. Sam. 4. 4.

36 And Ahaz begate Iehoadah, and Iehoadah begate Alemeth, and Azmaueth, and Zimri: and Zimri begat Moza,

37 And Moza begate Binea: Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his sonne, Azel his sonne,

38 And Azel *had* sixe sons, whose names *were* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these *were* the sonnes of Azel.

‖ Or, Tahrea. chap 9. 41.

39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were* Vlam his first borne, Iehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.

40 And the sons of Vlam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and sons sonnes, an hundred and fifty. All these are the sons of Beniamin.

CHAP. IX.

1 The originall of Israels, and Iudahs genealogies. 2 The Israelites. 10 The Priests. 14 and the Leuites, with Nethinims which dwelt in Ierusalem. 27 The charge of certaine Leuites. 35 The stocke of Saul and Ionathan.

SO all Israel were reckoned by genealogies, and behold, they were written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and Iudah, *who* were carried away to Babylon for their transgression.

2 ¶ Now the first inhabitants *that dwelt* in their possessions, in their cities, *were* the Israelites, the Priests, Leuites, and the Nethinims.

3 And in * Ierusalem dwelt of the children of Iudah, and of the children of Beniamin, and of the children of Ephraim and Manasseh.

* Nehe. 11. 1.

4 Vthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the sonne of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Phares, the sonne of Iudah.

5 And of the Shilonites: Asaiah the first borne, and his sonnes.

6 And of the sons of Zerah: Ieuel, and their brethren, sixe hundred and ninety.

7 And of the sonnes of Beniamin: Sallu the son of Meshullam, the sonne of Hodauiah, the sonne of Hasenuah:

8 And Ibneiah the son of Ieroham, and Elah the son of Vzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the sonne of Shephatiah, the sonne of Reuel, the sonne of Ibnijah,

9 And their brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and sixe. All these men *were* chiefe of the fathers in the house of thier fathers.

10 ¶ And of the Priests: Iedaiah, and Ichoiarib, and Iachin,

11 And Azariah the sonne of Hilkiah, the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Hilkiah, the sonne of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God.

12 And Adaiah the sonne of Ieroham, the son of Pashur, the sonne of Malchijah, and Maasia the sonne of Adiel, the sonne of Iahzerah, the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Meshillemith, the sonne of Immer.

13 And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and seuen hundred and three score, very † able men for the work of the seruice of the house of God.

14 And of the Leuites: Shemaiah the sonne of Hasshub, the sonne of Azrikam, the sonne of Hashabiah, of the sonnes of Merari.

15 And Bakbakker, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the sonne of Micah, the son of Zichri, the sonne of Asaph.

16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the sonne of Galal, the son of Ieduthun: and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkana, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.

17 And the porters *were* Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum *was* the chiefe.

18 (Who hitherto *waited* in the Kings gate Eastward) They were porters in the companies of the children of Leui.

19 And Shallum the sonne of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren of the house of his father) the Korahites were ouer the worke of the seruice, keepers of the ‖ gates of the Tabernacle: and their fathers being ouer the hoste of the LORD, *were* keepers of the entry.

20 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler ouer them in time past, and the LORD was with him.

21 *And* Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah *was* porter of the doore of the Tabernacle of the congregation.

22 All these which were chosen to be porters in the gates, *were* two hundred and twelue. They were reckoned by their genealogie in their villages: whom Dauid and Samuel the Seer † did ordaine in their ‖ set office.

23 So they and their children *had the* charge of the gates of the house of the LORD, namely, the house of the Tabernacle by wards.

24 In foure quarters were the porters, toward the East, West, North and South.

25 And their brethren *which* were in their villages, *were* to come after seuen dayes, from time to time with them.

26 For these Leuites, the foure chiefe porters were in their ‖ set office, and were ouer the chambers, and treasuries of the house of God.

27 ¶ And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge was vpon them, and the opening thereof euery morning pertained to them.

28 And *certaine* of them had the charge of the ministring vessels, that they should bring them in and out by tale.

29 *Some* of them also were appointed ouer the vessels, and all the † instruments of the Sanctuary, and the fine flowre, and the wine, and the oyle, and the frankincense, and the spices.

30 And *some* of the sonnes of the Priests made * the ointment of the spices.

31 And Mattithiah one of the Leuites (who *was* the first borne of Shallum the Korahite) had the office ouer *the* things that were made in the pannes.

32 And *other* of their brethren of the sonnes of the Kohathites *were* ouer the † Shewbread, to prepare *it* euery Sabbath.

33 And these *are* the singers, chiefe of the fathers of the Leuites, who *remaining* in the cham-

ot free: for ‡they were imployed in that worke
y and night.
9 These chiefe fathers of the Leuites were chiefe
roughout their generations: these dwelt at Ie-
salem.
10 ¶ And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon,
uel, whose wiues name was *Maacha.
11 And his first borne son, Abdon, then Zur, and
sh, and Baal and Ner, and Nadab,
12 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and
ikloth.
13 And Mikloth begat Shimeam: and they also
elt with their brethren at Ierusalem, ouer a-
inst their brethren.
14 *And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul,
Saul begat Ionathan, and Malchishua, and A-
nadab, and Eshbaal.
15 And the son of Ionathan was Meribbaal, and
ribbaal begat Micah.
16 And the sonnes of Micah, were Pithon, and
lech, and Tahrea, *and Ahaz.
17 And Ahaz begate Iarah, and Iarah begat A-
eth, and Azmaueth, and Zimri: and Zimri
gat Moza,
18 And Moza begat Binea: and Rephaiah his
e Eleasah his sonne, Azel his sonne.
19 And Azel had sixe sons, whose names are these,
kam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, & O-
diah, and Hanan. these were the sonnes of Azel.

CHAP. X.

*Saul ouerthrow and death. 8 The Philistines
mph ouer Saul. 11 The kindnes of Iabesh-Gilead
ards Saul and his sons. 13 Sauls sinne, for which
ingdome was translated from him to Dauid.*

NOw the Philistines fought against Israel, and
the men of Israe fled from before the Phili-
s, and fell downe ‖slaine in mount Gilboa.
2 And the Philistines followed hard after Saul,
after his sonnes, and the Philistines slew
than, and Abinadab, and Malchishua the
ns of Saul.
3 And the battell went sore against Saul, and
archers ‡hit him, and hee was wounded of
archers.
4 Then said Saul to his armour-bearer, Draw
ord, & thrust me thorow therewith, lest these
rcumcised come and ‖abuse me? but his ar-
-bearer would not, for hee was sore afraid.
Saul tooke a sword, and fell vpon it.
5 And when his armour-bearer saw that Saul was
ad, he fell likewise on the sword, and dyed.
6 So Saul dyed, and his three sonnes, and all his
use dyed together.
7 And when all the men of Israel, that *were* in
e valley, saw that they fled, and that Saul & his
ns were dead, then they forsooke their cities, and
d: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.
8 ¶ And it came to passe on the morrow, when
e Philistines came to strip the slaine, that they
nd Saul and his sonnes fallen in mount Gilboa.
9 And when they had stripped him, they tooke
s head, and his armour, and sent into the land of
e Philistines round about, to carry tydings vnto
eir idols, and vnto the people.
10 And they put his armour in the house of their
ds, and fastened his head in the temple of Dagon
11 ¶ And when all Iabesh-Gilead heard all that
e Philistines had done to Saul:
12 They arose, all the valiant men, and tooke a-
y the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sonnes,
d brought them to Iabesh, and buried their bones
der the oke in Iabesh, and fasted seuen dayes.

13 ¶ So Saul dyed for his transgression, which hee
‡committed against the LORD, *euen* against the
Word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also
for asking *counsell* of one that had a familiar spi-
rit, * to enquire of it:
14 And enquired not of the LORD: therefore
he slew him, and turned the Kingdome vnto Dauid
the sonne of ‡Iesse.

‡ Hebr. transgressed.
* 1 Sam. 15.23.
* 1 Sam. 28.7.
† Hebr. Isai.

CHAP. XI.

*Dauid by a generall consent is made King at
Hebron. 4 He winneth the Castle of Sion from the
Iebusites by Ioabs valour. 10 A Catalogue of
Dauids mighty men.*

THen *all Israel gathered themselues to Dauid
vnto Hebron, saying, Behold, we *are* thy bone
and thy flesh.
2 And moreouer, ‡in time past, euen *when* Saul
was king, thou *wast he* that leddest out, and brought-
est in Israel, and the LORD thy God said vnto thee,
Thou shalt ‖feede my people Israel, and thou shalt
be ruler ouer my people Israel.
3 Therefore came all the Elders of Israel to the
King to Hebron, and Dauid made a couenant with
them in Hebron before the LORD, and they annoin-
ted Dauid King ouer Israel, according to the word
of the LORD ‡ by * Samuel.
4 ¶ And Dauid and all Israel *went to Ierusa-
lem, which is Iebus, where the Iebusites *were* the
inhabitants of the land.
5 And the inhabitants of Iebus said to Dauid,
Thou shalt not come hither. Neuertheless Dauid
tooke the castle of Zion, which *is* the city of Dauid.
6 And Dauid said, Whosoeuer smiteth the Ie-
busites first, shall be ‡ chiefe and captaine. So Ioab
the sonne of Zeruiah went first vp and was chiefe.
7 And Dauid dwelt in the Castle: therefore they
called ‡ it the City of Dauid.
8 And hee built the city round about, euen from
Millo round about: and Ioab ‡repaired the rest of
the City.
9 So Dauid ‡ waxed greater and greater: for
the LORD of hosts *was* with him.
10 ¶ *These also are* the chiefe of the mighty men
whom Dauid had, who ‖ strengthened themselues
with him in his kingdome, *and* with all Israel to
make him King, according to the Word of the
LORD concerning Israel.
11 And this *is* the number of the mighty men
whom Dauid *had*: Iashobeam ‖ an Hachmonite the
chiefest of ‡ captaines, he lift vp his speare against
three hundred slaine *by him* at one time.
12 And after him *was* Eleazer the sonne of Dodo
the Ahohite, who was one of the three mighties.
13 He was with Dauid at ‖ Pas-dammim, and there
the Philistines were gathered together to battell,
where was a parcell of ground full of barly, and
the people fled from before the Philistines.
14 And they ‡ set themselues in the midst of that
parcell, and deliuered it, and slew the * Philistines,
and the LORD saued them by a great ‖ deliue-
rance.
15 ¶ Now ‖ three of the thirty captaines went
downe to the rocke of Dauid, into the caue of A-
dullam, and the host of the Philistines encamped
in the valley of Rephaim.
16 And Dauid *was* then in the hold, and the Phi-
listines garison *was* then at Bethlehem.
17 And Dauid longed, and said, O that one would
giue me drinke of the water of the well of Beth-
lehem, that *is* at the gate.
18 And the three brake thorow the host of the
Philistines, and drew water out of the well of
Bethlehem

‡ Hebr. committed.
* 1 Sam. 15.23.
† Hebr. yesterday & the third day.
‖ Or, rule.
† Hebr. by the hand of.
* 1 Sam. 16.13.
* 2 Sam. 5.6.
† Hebr. head.
† That is Zion.
2 Sam. 5.7.
† Hebr. reuiued.
† Hebr. went & going on increasing.
* 2 Sam. 23.8.
‖ Or, held strongly with him.
‖ Or, son of Hachmoni.
‖ Or, Ephes-dammim. 1. Sam. 17.1.
‖ Or, flood.
* 2 Sam. 23.13.
‖ Or, first.
‖ Or, three captaines ouer the thirty.

Bethlehem, that *was* by the gate, and tooke *it*, and brought *it* to Dauid: but Dauid would not drinke of it, but powred it out to the LORD.

19 And said, My God forbid it me, that I should doe this thing. Shall I drinke the blood of these men † that haue put their liues in ieopardy? for with *the ieopardy of* their liues they brought it, therefore he would not drinke it. These things did these three mightie.

† Hebr. with their liues

20 ¶ And Abishai the brother of Ioab, hee was chiefe of the three: for lifting vp his speare against three hundred, hee slew *them*, and had a name among the three.

21 * Of the three hee was more honorable then the two, for he was their captaine, howbeit, he attained not to the *first* three.

* 2 Sam. 23.19. &c.

22 Benaiah the son of Iehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, † who had done many acts: he slew two Lyon-like men of Moab; also hee went downe and slew a Lyon in a pit in a snowy day.

† Hebr. great of deeds.

23 And he slew an Egyptian, † a man of *a great* stature, fiue cubites high, and in the Egyptians hand *was* a speare like a weauers beame: and hee went downe to him with a staffe, and pluckt the speare out of the Egyptians hand, and slew him with his owne speare.

† Hebr. a man of measure.

24 These things did Benaiah the son of Iehoiada, and had the name among the three mighties.

25 Behold, he was honorable among the thirty, but attained not to the *first* three: and Dauid set him ouer his guard.

26 ¶ Also the valiant men of the armies, *were* Asahel the brother of Ioab, Elhanan the sonne of Dodo of Bethlehem.

27 Shammoth the ‖ Harorite, Helez the Pelonite,

‖ Or, Harodite. 2 Sam. 23.25.

28 Ira the sonne of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abiezer the Antothite.

29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,

30 Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,

31 Ithai the sonne of Ribai of Gibeah, *that pertained* to the children of Beniamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,

32 Hurai of the brookes of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,

33 Azmaueth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

34 The sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Ionathan the sonne of Shageh the Hararite,

35 Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Vr,

36 Hepher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,

37 Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,

‖ Or the Haggarite

38 Ioel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the ‖ son of Hagger,

39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armour-bearer of Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah,

40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

41 Vriah the Hittite, Zabad the sonne of Ahlai,

42 Adina the sonne of Shiza the Reubenite, a captaine of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,

43 Hanan the sonne of Maacah, and Ioshaphat the Mithnite,

‖ Or, Zimvite.

44 Vzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Iehiel the sonnes of Hothan the Aroerite,

45 Iediael the ‖ sonne of Zimri, and Iehu his brother the Tizite,

46 Eliel the Mahauite, and Ieribai, and Ioshauiah the sonnes of Elnaan, and Ithmah the Moabite,

47 Eliel, and Obed, and Iasiel the Mesobaite.

CHAP. XII.

1 *The companies that came to Dauid at Ziklag.* 23 *The armies that came to him at Hebron.*

NOw * these *are they* that came to Dauid to Ziklag, † while hee yet kept himselfe close because of Saul the sonne of Kish: and they were among the mighty men, helpers of the warre.

* They were armed with bowes, and could vse both the right hand and the left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrowes out of a bow, *euen* of Saules brethren of Beniamin.

3 The chiefe *was* Ahiezer, then Ioash the sonnes of ‖ Shemaah the Gibeathite, and Iezel, and Pelet the sonnes of Azmaueth, and Berachah, and Iehu the Antothite,

4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and ouer the thirty, and Ieremiah, and Iahaziel, and Iohanan, and Iozabad the Gederathite,

5 Eleuzai, and Ierimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite,

6 Elkanah, and Iesiah, and Azareel, and Ioezer, and Iashobeam the Korhites,

7 And Ioelah, and Zebadiah the sonnes of Ieroham of Gedor.

8 And of the Gadites there ‖ separated themselues vnto Dauid into the hold to the wilderness men of might, *and men* † of warre, fit for the battell, that could handle shield and buckler, whose faces were like the faces of Lyons, and were † as swift as the Roes vpon the mountaines:

‖ Or, went. † Hebr. for warre.

9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,

10 Mishmannah the fourth, Ieremiah the fift,

11 Attai the sixt, Eliel the seuenth,

12 Iohanan the eight, Elzabad the ninth,

13 Ieremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleuenth.

14 These *were* of the sonnes of Gad, captaines of the host: ‖ one of the least was ouer an hundred, and the greatest ouer a thousand.

‖ Or, one of the least was ouer an hundred, and the greatest ouer a thousand.

15 These *are* they ỳ went ouer Iordan in the first moneth, when it had *vsed* to ouerflow all his bankes: and they put to flight all them of the valleys, both toward the East, and toward the West.

16 And there came of the children of Beniamin and Iudah to the hold vnto Dauid.

17 And Dauid went out † to meet them, and answered and said vnto them, If ye be come peaceably vnto me to helpe me, mine heart shall be knit vnto you: but if ye be come to betray me to mine enemies, seeing there is no wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers looke thereon, and rebuke *it*.

† Hebr. to their meeting.

18 Then ‖ the spirit came vpon Amasai, who was chiefe of the captaines, *and he said*, Thine are we, Dauid, and on thy side thou sonne of Ishai: peace be vnto thee, and peace be to thine helpers: for thy God helpeth thee. Then Dauid receiued them, and made them captaines of the band.

‖ Hebr. clothed.

19 And there fell *some* of Manasseh to Dauid, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battell, but they helped them not: for the lords of the Philistines vpon aduisement sent him away, saying, * He will fall to his master Saul † to the *ieopardy of* our heades.

* 1 Sam. 29.4. † Hebr. to his lord.

20 As hee went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Iozabad, and Iediael, and Michael, and Iozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captaines of the thousands that were of Manasseh.

21 And they helped Dauid † against the band *of the rouers*: for they were all mighty men of valour, and were captaines in the host.

† Hebr. against the troupe.

22 For at *that* time day by day there came

Dauid

Dauid to helpe him, vntill it was a great hoste, like the hoste of God.

38 ¶ And these are the numbers of the ‖ bands, that were ready armed to the warre, and came to Dauid to Hebron, to turne the kingdome of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD.

39 The children of Iudah that bare shield and speare, were sixe thousand and eight hundred, ready armed to the warre.

35 Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the warre, seuen thousand, and one hundred.

36 Of the children of Leui, foure thousand and sixe hundred.

37 And Iehoiada was the leader of the Aaronites, and with him were three thousand, and seuen hundred.

38 And Zadok a young man, mighty of valour, and of his fathers house twentie & two captaines.

39 And of the children of Beniamin, the † kinred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto † the greatest part of them had kept ‖ ward of the house of Saul.

30 And of the children of Ephraim, twenty thousand and eight hundred, mightie men of valour, famous throughout the house of their fathers.

31 And of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, eighteene thousand which were expressed by name, to come and make Dauid King.

32 And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had vnderstanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to doe: the heads of them were two hundred, and all their brethren were at their commandement.

33 Of Zebulun such as went foorth to battell, expert in warre, with all instruments of warre, fifty thousand, which could ‖ keepe ranke. They were † not of double heart.

34 And of Naphtali a thousand captaines, and with them, with shield and speare, thirty and seuen thousand.

35 And of the Danites, expert in warre, twentie and eight thousand and sixe hundred.

36 And of Asher, such as went foorth to battell, expert in war, fourtie thousand.

37 And on the other side of Iordan of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, with all maner of instruments of warre for the battell, an hundred and twenty thousand.

38 All these, men of war, that could keepe ranke, came with a perfect heart to Hebron, to make Dauid King ouer all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel, were of one heart to make Dauid king.

39 And there they were with Dauid three dayes, eating, and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.

40 Moreouer, they that were nigh them, euen vnto Issachar, and Zebulun, and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on men, and ‖ meat, meale, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oyle, and oxen, and sheepe abundantly, for there was ioy in Israel.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Dauid fetcheth the Arke with great solemnitie from Kiriath iearim. 9 Vzza being smitten, the Arke is left at the house of Obed-Edom.

AND Dauid consulted with the captaines of thousands, and hundreds, *and* with euery ruler.

2 And Dauid said vnto all the Congregation of Israel, If it ‖ seeme good vnto you, and that it bee of the LORD our God, † let vs send abroad vnto our brethren euery where, that are left in all the land of Israel, and with them also to the Priests and Leuites which *are* in† their cities *and* suburbs, that they may gather themselues vnto vs.

3 And let vs † bring againe the Arke of our God to vs: for we enquired not at it, in the daies of Saul.

4 And all the congregation said, that they would doe so: for the thing was right in the eies of all the people.

5 So * Dauid gathered all Israel together from Shihor of Egypt euen vnto the entring of Hemath, to bring the Arke of God from Kiriath-iearim.

6 And Dauid went vp and all Israel to * Baalah that is, to Kiriath-iearim, which *belonged* to Iudah, to bring vp thence the Arke of God the LORD, that dwelleth betweene the Cherubims, whose Name is called *on it*.

7 And they † carried the Arke of God in a new cart, out of the house of Abinadab: and Vzza, and Ahio drawe the cart.

8 And Dauid and all Israel plaied before God with all *their* might, and with † singing, and with harpes, and with psalteries, & with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.

9 ¶ And when they came vnto the threshing floore of ‖ Chidon, Vzza put forth his hand to hold the Arke, for the oxen ‖ stumbled.

10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Vzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the * Arke: and there he died before God.

11 And Dauid was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach vpon Vzza; wherefore that place is called † Perez-Vzza to this day.

12 And Dauid was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the Arke of God home to me?

13 So Dauid † brought not the Arke home to himselfe to the city of Dauid, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.

14 And the Arke of God remained with the family of Obed-Edom in his house three monethes. And the LORD blessed * the house of Obed-Edom, and all that he had.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 Hirams kindnesse to Dauid. 2 Dauids felicity in people, wiues, and children. 8 His two victories against the Philistines.

NOw * Hiram King of Tyre sent messengers to Dauid, and timber of Cedars, with masons and carpenters to build him an house.

2 And Dauid perceiued that the LORD had confirmed him king ouer Israel, for his kingdome was lift vp on high, because of his people Israel.

3 ¶ And Dauid tooke † moe wiues at Ierusalem: and Dauid begate moe sonnes and daughters.

4 Now these *are* the names of *his* children which he had in Ierusalem: Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,

5 And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet,

6 And Noga, and Nepheg, and Iaphia,

7 And Elishama, and ‖ Beeliada, and Elpalet.

8 ¶ And when the Philistines heard that * Dauid was anointed King ouer all Israel, all the Philistines went vp to seeke Dauid: and Dauid heard *of it*, and went out against them.

9 And the Philistines came and spread themselues in the valley of Rephaim.

10 And Dauid enquired of God, saying, Shall I goe vp against the Philistines? and wilt thou deliuer them into mine hand? And the LORD said vnto him, Goe vp, for I will deliuer them into thine hand.

11 So they came vp to Baal-Perazim, and Dauid smote them there. Then Dauid said, God, hath broken in vpon mine enemies by mine hand, like the breaking

† Heb. in the cities of their suburbs.
† Hebr. bring about.
* 1. Sam. 7. 1.
2 Sam. 6. 2
* Iosh. 16. 9.
† Hebr. made the Arke to ride.
† Hebr. songs.
‖ Called, Nachon. 2 Sam. 6. 6
Or, shooke it.
* Num. 4. 15.
† Hebr. breach of Vzza.
† Hebr. remoued
* As Chr. 26. 5.
* 2. Sam. 5. 11. &c.
† Hebr. yet.
‖ Or, Eliada. 2. sam 5. 16.
* 2. Sam. 5. 17.

breaking foorth of waters, therefore they called the name of that place † Baal Perazim.

12 And when they had left their gods there, Dauid gaue a commandement, and they were burnt with fire.

13 And the Philistines yet againe spread them selues abroad in the valley.

14 Therefore Dauid enquired againe of God, and God said vnto him, Goe not vp after them, turne away from them, * and come vpon them, ouer against the mulberry trees.

15 And it shall be when thou shalt heare a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, *then* then thou shalt go out to battell: for God is gone forth before thee, to smite the hoste of the Philistines.

16 Dauid therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the host of the Philistines from Gibeon euen to Gazer.

17 And the fame of Dauid went out into all lands, and the LORD brought the feare of him vpon all nations.

† *Hebr. Thus is, a place of breaches.*

2. Sam. 5. 23.

CHAP. XV.

1 *Dauid hauing prepared a place for the Arke ordereth the Priests and Leuites to bring it from Obed Edom.* 25 *He performeth the solemnity thereof with great ioy.* 29 *Michal dispiseth him.*

AND *Dauid* made him houses in the citie of Dauid, and prepared a place for the Arke of God, and pitched for it a tent.

2 Then Dauid said, † None ought to carry the * Arke of God but the Leuites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the Arke of God, and to minister vnto him for euer.

3 And Dauid gathered all Israel together to Ierusalem, to bring vp the Arke of the LORD vnto his place, which he had prepared for it.

4 And Dauid assembled the children of Aaron, and the Leuites.

5 Of the sonnes of Kohath: Uriel the chiefe, and his ‖ brethren an hundred and twenty.

6 Of the sons of Merari: Asaiah the chiefe, and his brethren, two hundred and twenty.

7 Of the sonnes of Gershom: Ioel the chiefe, and his brethren, an hundred and thirty.

8 Of the sonnes of Elizaphan: Shemaiah the chiefe, and his brethren two hundred.

9 Of the sons of Hebron: Eliel the chiefe, and his brethren fourtscore.

10 Of the sonnes of Vzziel: Amminadab the chiefe, and his brethren, an hundred and twelue.

11 And Dauid called for Zadok, and Abiathar the Priests, and for the Leuites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Ioel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

12 And said vnto them, Ye are the chiefe of the Fathers of the Leuites: sanctifie your selues, both ye and your brethren, that yee may bring vp the Arke of the LORD God of Israel, vnto *the place* that I haue prepared for it.

13 For because ye *did* it not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach vpon vs, for that we sought him not after the due order.

14 So the Priests and the Leuites sanctified themselues to bring vp the Arke of the LORD God of Israel.

15 And the children of the Leuites bare the Arke of God vpon their shoulders with the staues thereon, as * Moses commanded, according to the word of the LORD.

† *Hebr. it is now to carry the Arke of God but for the Leuites.*

* Numb. 4. 2. 15.

‖ *Or, kinsmen.*

* Exod. 25. 14.

16 And Dauid spake to the chiefe of the Leuites, to appoint their brethren *to be* the singers with instruments of musicke, psalteries, and harpes, and cymbals, sounding, by lifting vp *y* voice with ioy.

17 So the Leuites appointed * Heman, the sonne of Ioel: and of his brethren, * Asaph the sonne of Berechiah: and of the sonnes of Merari their brethren, * Ethan the sonne of Kushaiah.

18 And with them their brethren of the second degree, Zachariah, Ben, and Iaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Iehiel, and Vnni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed Edom, and Iehiel the porters.

19 So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were *appointed* to sound with cymbals of brasse,

20 And Zachariah, and Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Iehiel, and Vnni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah with psalteries on Alamoth.

21 And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-Edom, and Ieiel, and Azaziah, with harpes on the ‖ Sheminith to excell.

22 And Chenaniah chiefe of the Leuites *was* for † song: hee instructed about the song, because he was skilfull.

23 And Berechiah, and Elkanah *were* doore-keepers for the Arke.

24 And Shebaniah, and Iehoshaphat, and Nathaneel, and Amasai, and Zachariah, and Benaiah, and Eleezer the Priests did blow with the trumpets before the Arke of God: and Obed-Edom, and Iehiah, *were* doore-keepers for the Arke.

25 ¶ So Dauid and the Elders of Israel, and the captaines ouer thousands, went to bring vp the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, out of the house of Obed-Edom with ioy.

26 And it came to passe, when God helped the Leuites that bare the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, that they offered seuen bullocks, and seuen rammes.

27 And Dauid was clothed with a robe of fine linnen, and all the Leuites that bare the Arke, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers. Dauid also *had* vpon him an Ephod of linnen.

28 Thus all Israel brought vp the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harpes.

29 ¶ And it came to passe, as the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD came to the city of Dauid, that Michal the daughter of Saul, looking out at a window saw King Dauid dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *Dauids festiuall sacrifice.* 4 *He ordeineth a Quire to sing thanksgiuing.* 7 *The Psalme of thanksgiuing.* 37 *He appointeth Officers, Porters, Priests and Musicians, to attend continually on the Arke.*

SO * they brought the Arke of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that Dauid had stretched for it: and they offered burnt sacrifices, and peace offerings before God.

2 And when Dauid had made an end of offering the burnt offerings, and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the Name of the LORD.

3 And he dealt to euery one of Israel, both man and woman to euery one a *loafe* of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon *of wine*.

4 ¶ And hee appointed certaine of the Leuites to minister before the Arke of the LORD, and to record, and to thanke, and praise the LORD God of Israel,

5 Asaph the chiefe, and next to him Zechariah, Ieiel, and Shemiramoth, and Iehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-Edom: and Ie-

† 2

Psalteries and with harps: but Asaph made
d with Cymbals.
Jeiah also and Iahaziel the Priests, with
pets continually before the Arke of the Cou-
of God.
Then on that day, Dauid deliuered first *this*
ser to thanke the LORD, into the hand of A-
and his brethren:
Giue thankes vnto the LORD, call vpon his
make knowne his deeds among the people.
ng vnto him, sing Psalmes vnto him, talke
all his wonderous workes.
lory yee in his holy Name, let the heart of
reioyce that seeke the LORD.
Seeke the LORD and his strength, seeke his
ntinually.
Remember his merueilous workes that hee
done, his wonders, and the iudgments of his
O yeseed of Israel his seruant, ye children of
his chosen ones.
He is the LORD our God, his iudgements *are*
the earth.
Be ye mindfull alwayes of his Couenant the
which hee commanded to a thousand genera-
tion of the * *Couenant* which he made with
ham, and of his oath vnto Isaac:
And hath confirmed the same to Iacob for a
and vnto Israel for an euerlasting Couenant;
saying, Vnto thee will I giue the land of Ca-
the lot of your inheritance.
When ye were but † few, * euen a few, and
gers in it:
And when they went from nation to nation,
from one kingdome to another people:
He suffered no man to doe them wrong: yea
he reproued Kings for their sakes,
Saying, *Touch not mine Anointed, and doe
my Prophets no harme.
Sing vnto the LORD all the earth: shew
from day to day his saluation.
Declare his glory among the heathen; his
marueilous works among all nations.
For great *is* the LORD and greatly to bee
praised: he also *is* to be feared aboue all gods.
For all the gods *of the people are* idols: but
the LORD made the heauens.
Glory and honor *are* in his presence: strength
and ioyfulnesse *are* in his place.
Giue vnto the LORD ye kinreds of the people:
giue vnto the LORD glory and strength.
Giue vnto the LORD the glory *due* vnto his
name: bring an offering and come before him:
worship the LORD in the beauty of holinesse.
Feare before him all the earth: the world al-
so is stable that it be not moued.
Let the heauens bee glad, and let the earth
reioyce: and let men say among the nations, The
LORD reigneth.
Let the Sea roare, and the fulnesse thereof:
Let the field reioyce, and all that *is* therein.
Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at
the presence of the LORD, because he commeth to
iudge the earth.
O giue thankes vnto the LORD: for hee *is*
good: his mercy endureth for euer.
And say yee, Saue vs, O God of our saluation,
and gather vs together, and deliuer vs from the
heathen: that we may giue thankes vnto thy holy
Name, and glory in thy praise.
Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for euer
and euer: and all * the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD. * Deut. 27.15.

37 ¶ So he left there before the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD, Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the Arke continually, as euery dayes worke required:

38 And Obed Edom with their brethren three-score and eight: Obed Edom also the sonne of Iedithun, and Hosah to be porters:

39 And Zadok the Priest, and his brethren the Priests, before the Tabernacle of the LORD, in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,

40 To offer burnt offerings vnto the LORD, vpon the Altar of the burnt offering continually, † morning and euening: and *to do* according to all that is written in the Law of the LORD, which he commanded Israel: † Hebr. in the morning and in the euening.

41 And with them Heman, and Iedithun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name to giue thanks to the LORD, because his mercie *endureth* for euer.

42 And with them Heman and Iedithun with trumpets and cymbals, for those that should make a sound, and with musicall instruments of God: and the sonnes of Iedithun were † porters. † Hebr. for the gate.

43 And all the people departed euery man to his house, and Dauid returned to blesse his house.

CHAP. XVII.

1 *Nathan first approoueth the purpose of Dauid to build God an house,* 3 *after by the word of God forbiddeth him.* 11 *He promiseth him blessings in his seed.* 16 *Dauids prayer and thankesgiuing.*

NOw * it came to passe, as Dauid sate in his house that Dauid said to Nathan ‡ Prophet: Loe, I dwell in a house of Cedars, but the Arke of the Couenant of ‡ LORD *remaineth* vnder curtains. * 2. Sam. 7. &c.

2 Then Nathan said vnto Dauid, Doe all that is in thine heart, for God *is* with thee.

3 ¶ And it came to passe the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

4 Goe and tell Dauid my seruant, Thus saith the LORD, thou shalt not build me an house to dwel in

5 For I haue not dwelt in a house since the day that I brought vp Israel, vnto this day, but † haue gone from tent to tent, and from one Tabernacle *to another.* † Hebr. haue been

6 Wheresoeuer I haue walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the Iudges of Israel (whom I commanded to feed my people) saying, Why haue ye not built me a house of Cedars?

7 Now therefore, thus shalt thou say vnto my seruant Dauid, Thus saith the LORD of hostes, I tooke thee from the *sheepe* coat, *euen* † from following the sheepe, that thou shouldest be ruler ouer my people Israel: † Hebr. from

8 And I haue been with thee whithersoeuer thou hast walked, and haue cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and haue made thee a name *like* the name of the great men that *are* in the earth. *after.*

9 Also I will ordaine a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be mooued no more: neither shall the children of wickednesse waste them any more (as at the beginning,

10 And since the time that I commanded Iudges to be ouer my people Israel) Moreouer, I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee, that the LORD will build thee an house.

11 ¶ And it shall come to passe, when thy dayes be expired, that thou must goe *to be* with thy fathers, that I will raise vp thy seed after thee which shall be of thy sons, and I will stablish his kingdome.

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12 He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne for euer.

*2.King. 7.14. 13 I *will be his father, and he shalbe my sonne, and I will not take my mercy away from him, as I tooke it from *him* that was before thee.

14 But I will settle him in mine house, and in my kingdome for euer, and his throne shall be established for euermore.

15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speake vnto Dauid.

16 ¶ And Dauid the King came, and sate before the LORD, and said, Who *am* I, O LORD God, and what *is* mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?

17 And *yet* this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God: for thou hast *also* spoken of thy seruants house, for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

18 What can Dauid *speake* more to thee for the honor of thy seruant? for thou knowest thy seruant.

19 O LORD, for thy seruants sake, and according to thine owne heart, hast thou done all this greatnesse, in making knowne all these †great things.

† Hebr. greatnesses.

20 O LORD *there is* none like thee, neither *is there* any God besides thee, according to all that we haue heard with our eares.

21 And what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people Israel, whom God went to redeeme, *to be* his owne people, to make thee a name of greatnesse and terribleness, by driuing out nations from before thy people, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt?

22 For thy people Israel didst thou make thine owne people for euer, and thou LORD, becamest their God.

23 Therefore now LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy seruant, and concerning his house, be established for euer, and doe as thou hast said.

24 Let it euen bee established, that thy Name may be magnified for euer, saying, The LORD of hostes *is* the God of Israel *euen* a God to Israel: and let the house of Dauid thy seruant be established before thee.

† Hebr. hast reuealed the eare of thy seruant. ‖ Or, it hath pleased thee.

25 For thou, O my God, † hast told thy seruant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore thy seruant hath found *in his heart* to pray before thee.

26 And now, LORD, (thou art God, and hast promised this goodnesse vnto thy seruant.)

27 Now therefore ‖ let it please thee to blesse the house of thy seruant, that it may be before thee for euer: for thou blessest, O LORD, and it *shall be* blessed for euer.

CHAP. XVIII.

Dauid subdueth the Philistines and the Moabites. 3 He smiteth Hadadezer and the Syrians. 9 Tou sendeth Hadoram with presents to blesse Dauid. 11 The presents and the spoile, Dauid dedicateth to God. 13 He putteth garisons in Edom.

*2.Sam. 8.1.&c. NOw after this *it came to passe, that Dauid smote the Philistines, and subdued them, and tooke Gath, and her townes, out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And he smote Moab, and the Moabites became Dauids seruants, *and* brought gifts.

‖ Or, Hadadezer, in Sam. 3 ¶ And Dauid smote ‖ Hadarezer King of Zobah vnto Hamath, as he went to establish his dominion by the riuer Euphrates.

4 And Dauid tooke from him a thousand charets and seuen thousand horsemen and twenty thousand footmen: Dauid also houghed all the charet-*horses*, but reserued of them an hundred charets.

5 And when the Syrians of † Damascus came to helpe Hadarezer King of Zobah, Dauid slew of the Syrians two and twentie thousand men.

6 Then Dauid put *garisons* in Syria Damascus: and the Syrians became Dauids seruants, and brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserued Dauid whithersoeuer he went.

7 And Dauid tooke the shields of gold that were on the seruants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Ierusalem.

8 Likewise from ‖ Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, brought Dauid very much brasse, wherewith *Solomon made the brasen Sea, and the pillars and the vessels of brasse.

9 ¶ Now when ‖ Tou King of Hamath heard how Dauid had smitten all the hoste of Hadarezer King of Zobah:

10 He sent ‖ Hadoram his sonne to King Dauid, to enquire of his welfarre, and to † congratulate with him, because he had fought against Hadarezer, and smitten him (for Hadarezer † had warre with Tou) *with him* all manner of vessels of gold, siluer, and brasse.

11 ¶ Them also King Dauid did dedicate vnto the LORD, with the siluer and the gold that he had brought from all *these* nations: from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.

12 Moreouer, Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah slew of the Edomites in the valley of salt, eighteene thousand.

13 ¶ And he put garisons in Edom, and all the Edomites became Dauids seruants. Thus the LORD preserued Dauid whithersoeuer he went.

14 ¶ So Dauid reigned ouer all Israel, and executed iudgement and iustice among all his people.

15 And Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah was ouer the host, and Iehoshaphat the sonne of Ahilud recorder.

16 And Zadok the sonne of Ahitub, and Abimelech the sonne of Abiathar, were the Priests; ‖ Shausha *was* Scribe.

17 And Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada was ouer the Cherethites, and the Pelethites: and the sonnes of Dauid *were* † chiefe about the King.

CHAP. XIX.

Dauids messengers sent to comfort Hanun sonne of Nahash, are vilely vsed. 6 The Ammonites strengthened by the Syrians, come by Ioab and Abishai. 16 Shophach the new supply of the Syrians is slaine by Dauid.

NOw *it came to passe after this, that the King of the children of Ammon died, and his sonne reigned in his stead.

2 And Dauid said, I will shew kindnesse vnto Hanun the sonne of Nahash, because his father shewed kindnesse to me: And Dauid sent messengers to comfort him concerning his father. So the seruants of Dauid came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun to comfort him.

3 But the Princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, † Thinkest thou that Dauid doeth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters vnto thee? Are not his seruants come vnto thee for search, and to ouerthrow, and to spie out the land?

4 Wherefore Hanun tooke Dauids seruants, and shaued them, and cut off their garments by the midst, hard by their buttocks, and sent them away.

5 Then there went certaine and told Dauid how the men were serued, and he sent to meet them, for the men were greatly ashamed: and the King said, Tarie at Iericho vntill your beards be growne, and then returne.

¶ And when the children of Ammon saw that
had made themselues †odious to Dauid; Ha-
and the children of Ammon sent a thousand
nes of siluer, to hire them charets and horsmen
of Mesopotamia, and out of Syria-Maachah,
out of Zobah.
So they hired thirty and two thousand charets,
the King of Maachah and his people who came
pitched before Medeba. And the children of
mon gathered themselues together from their
s, and came to battell.
And when Dauid heard of it, he sent Ioab, and
he hoste of the mighty men.
And the children of Ammon came out, and
ordered the battell in aray before the gate of the city,
the Kings that were come, were by themselues
e field.
Now when Ioab saw that † the battell was
gainst him before and behind: he chose out of
the | choyce of Israel, and put them in aray a-
st the Syrians.
And the rest of the people he deliuered vnto
nd of Abishai his brother, and they set them-
s in Aray against the children of Ammon.
And hee said, If the Syrians bee too strong
r me, then thou shalt helpe me: but if the chil-
of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will
e thee.
Be of good courage, and let vs behaue our
ues valiantly for our people, and for the cities of
our God: and let the LORD doe that which is
od in his sight.
So Ioab and the people that were with him,
re nigh before the Syrians vnto the battell; and
ey fled before him.
And when the children of Ammon saw that
e Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before A-
shai his brother, and entred into the city. Then
ab came to Ierusalem.
And when the Syrians saw that they were put
e worse before Israel, they sent messengers
d drew forth the Syrians that were beyond the
ver: and | Shophach the captaine of the host of
dadezer, went before them.
And it was told Dauid, and he gathered all
rael and passed ouer Iordan, and came vpon them
and set the battell in aray against them. So when
uid had put the battell in aray against the Sy-
ians, they fought with him.
But the Syrians fled before Israel, and Dauid
lew of the Syrians seuen thousand men, which
ught charets, and forty thousand footmen, and
ew Shophach the captaine of the hoste.
And when the seruants of Hadarezar saw that
ey were put to the worse before Israel, they made
ace with Dauid, and became his seruants: neither
ould the Syrians helpe the children of Am-
ymore.

CHAP. XX.

Rabbah besieged by Ioab, spoiled by Dauid, and the townes of it burned. 4 Three Giants are slaine by Sibbechai, Elhanan, and Ionathan, all of the Philistines.

AND it came to passe, that † after the yeere was
expired, at the time that Kings goe out to
battell, Ioab led forth the power of the army, and
wasted the countrey of the children of Ammon,
came and besieged Rabbah. (But Dauid tar-
ied at Ierusalem.) And Ioab smote Rabbah, and
destroyed it.
And Dauid * tooke the crowne of their King
from his head, and found it † to weigh a talent
of gold, and there were precious stones in it; and it
was set vpon Dauids head: and he brought also ex-
ceeding much spoyle out of the city.
And he brought out the people that were in it
and cut them with sawes, and with harrowes of
iron, and with axes: euen so dealt Dauid with all
the cities of the children of Ammon. And Dauid
and all the people returned to Ierusalem.
¶ And it came to passe after this,* that there
arose warre at | Gezer with the Philistines; at which
time Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Sippai, that
was of the children of | the Gyant, and they were
subdued.
And there was warre againe with the Philistines
and Elhanan the son of | Iair, slew Lahmi the bro-
ther of Goliath the Gittite, whose speare-staffe was
like a weauers beame.
And yet againe there was warre at Gath, where
was a man † of great stature, whose fingers and toes
were foure and twenty, six on each hand, and six
on each foot: And he also was † the sonne of the
Gyant.
But when he | defied Israel, Ionathan the sonne
of | Shimea, Dauids brother, slew him.
These were borne vnto the gyant in Gath, and
they fell by the hand of Dauid, and by the hand of
his seruants.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Dauid tempted by Satan, forceth Ioab to number the people. 5 The number of the people being brought, Dauid repenteth of it. 9 Dauid hauing three plagues propounded by God, chuseth the pestilence. 14 After the death of seuenty thousand, Dauid by repentance preuenteth the destruction of Ierusalem. 18 Dauid by Gads direction, purchaseth Ornans threshing floore, where hauing built an Altar, God giueth a signe of his fauour by fire, and stayeth the plague. 28 Dauid sacrificeth there, being restrained from Gibeon by feare of the Angel.

AND * Satan stood vp against Israel, and prouo-
ked Dauid to number Israel.
And Dauid said to Ioab, and to the rulers of
the people, Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba euen
to Dan: and bring the number of them to me, that
I may know it.
And Ioab answered, The LORD make his peo-
ple an hundred times so many more as they be: but
my lord the King, are they not all my lords ser-
uants? why then doth my lord require this thing?
why will he be a cause of trespasse to Israel?
Neuerthelesse, the Kings word preuailed a-
gainst Ioab: wherefore Ioab departed, and went
thorowout all Israel, and came to Ierusalem.
¶ And Ioab gaue the summe of the number of
the people vnto Dauid: and all they of Israel were
a thousand thousand, and an hundred thousand men
that drew sword: and Iudah was fiue hundred
threescore & ten thousand men that drew sword.
But Leui and Beniamin counted he not among
them: for the kings word was abominable to Ioab.
And † God was displeased with this thing, and
therefore he smote Israel.
And Dauid said vnto God, * I haue sinned
greatly, because I haue done this thing: but now
I beseech thee, doe away the iniquity of thy ser-
uant, for I haue done very foolishly.
¶ And the LORD spake vnto Gad, Dauids Seer
saying,
Goe and tell Dauid, saying, Thus saith the
LORD, I offer thee three things, chuse thee one of
them, that I may doe it vnto thee.
So Gad came to Dauid, and said vnto him,
thus saith the LORD, † Chuse thee,
Either

* 2. Sam. 21. 18.
| Or, continued, heb. stood.
| Or Gob.
| Or. Rapha.
| Called also Iaare-oregim 2 Sa. 21. 19
* 2 Sam. 21. 20.
† Hebr. a man of measure.
* Hebr. borne to the gyant or Rapha
| Or, reuealed. | Called Shimah, 1. Sa. 16. 9
* 2 Sam. 24. 1, &c.
† Hebr. & it was
* Or concerning this thing
* 2 Sam. 24. 10.
† Hebr. stretch out.
† Hebr. take to thee.

12 Either three yeeres famine, or three moneths to be deſtroyed before thy foes (while ỹ the ſword of thine enemies ouertaketh thee) or elſe three dayes the ſword of the LORD, euen the peſtilence in the land, and the Angel of the LORD deſtroying throwout all the coaſts of Iſrael. Now therefore adviſe thy ſelfe, what word I ſhall bring againe to him that ſent me.

13 And Dauid ſaid vnto Gad, I am in a great ſtrait. Let me fall now into the hand of the LORD, (for very ‖ great are his mercies) but let mee not fall into the hand of man.

‖ Or, many

14 ¶ So the LORD ſent peſtilence vpon Iſrael: and there fell of Iſrael, ſeuenty thouſand men.

15 And God ſent an * Angel vnto Ieruſalem to deſtroy it: and as he was deſtroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the euill, and ſaid to the Angel that deſtroyed, It is enough, ſtay now thine hand. And the Angel of the LORD ſtood by the threſhing floore of ‖ Ornan the Iebuſite.

* 2 Sam. 24.16.

‖ Or, Araunah, 2. Sam. 24.18.

16 And Dauid lift vp his eyes, and ſaw the Angel of the LORD ſtand betweene the earth and the heauen hauing a drawne ſword in his hand, ſtretched-out ouer Ieruſalem. Then Dauid and the Elders of Iſrael who were clothed in ſackcloth, fell vpon their faces.

17 And Dauid ſaid vnto God, Is it not I *that* commanded the people to be numbred? euen I it is that haue ſinned, and done euill indeed, but as for theſe ſheepe, what haue they done? Let thine hand I pray thee, O LORD my God, bee on mee, and on my fathers houſe, but not on thy people, that they ſhould be plagued.

18 ¶ Then the * Angel of the LORD commanded Gad to ſay to Dauid, that Dauid ſhould goe vp, and ſet vp an Altar vnto the LORD, in the threſhing floore of Ornan the Iebuſite.

* 2. Chro. 3. 1.

19 And Dauid went vpat the ſaying of Gad, which he ſpake in the Name of the LORD.

‖ Or, when Ornan turned backe and ſaw the Angel, then hee and his foure ſons with him, hid themſelues.

20 ‖ And Ornan turned backe, and ſaw the Angel, and his foure ſons with him, hid themſelues. Now Ornan was threſhing wheate.

21 And as Dauid came to Ornan, Ornan looked and ſaw Dauid, & went out of the threſhing floore, and bowed himſelfe to Dauid, with his face to the ground.

† Hebr. giue.

22 Then Dauid ſaid to Ornan, † Grant me the place of *this* threſhing floore, that I may build an Altar therein vnto the LORD: thou ſhalt grant it me for the full price, that the plague may be ſtayed from the people.

23 And Ornan ſaid vnto Dauid, Take *it* to thee, and let my lord the King doe that which *is* good in his eyes. Loe, I giue *thee* the oxen *alſo* for burnt offerings, and the threſhing inſtruments for wood, and the wheat for the meat offering, I giue it all.

24 And King Dauid ſayd to Ornan, Nay, but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take that which *is* thine for the LORD, nor offer burnt offerings without coſt.

* 1 Sam. 24.24.

25 So * Dauid gaue to Ornan for the place, ſixe hundred ſheckles of golde by weight.

26 And Dauid builte there an Altar vnto ỹ LORD and offered burnt offerings, and peace offerings, and called vpon the LORD, and he anſwered him from heauen by fire vpon the Altar of burnt offering.

27 And the LORD commanded the Angel, and he put vp his ſword againe into the ſheath thereof.

28 ¶ At that time when Dauid ſaw that the LORD had anſwered him in the threſhing floore of Ornan the Iebuſite, then he ſacrificed there.

29 For the Tabernacle of the LORD, which Moſes made in the wildernes, and the Altar of burnt offering *were* at that ſeaſon in the high place at * Gibeon:

30 But Dauid could not goe before it to inquire of God: for he was afraid, becauſe of the ſword of the Angel of the LORD.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *Dauid foreknowing the place of the Temple, prepareth abundance for the building of it.* 6 *He inſtructeth Solomon in Gods promiſes, and charge in building the Temple.* 17 *He chargeth the Princes to aſſiſt his ſonne.*

THen Dauid ſaid, This is the houſe of the LORD God, and this is the Altar of the burnt offering for Iſrael.

2 And Dauid commanded to gather together the ſtrangers that *were* in the land of Iſrael: and he ſet maſons to hew wrought ſtones to build the houſe of God.

3 And Dauid prepared yron in abundance for nailes for the doores of the gates, and for the ioynings, and braſſe in abundance without weight:

4 Alſo Cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians, and they of Tyre brought much Cedar wood to Dauid.

5 And Dauid ſaid, * Solomon my ſonne is young and tender, and the houſe *that is* to be built for the LORD, *muſt be* exceeding magnificall, of fame and of glory throwout all countreys: I will *therefore* now make preparation for it. So Dauid prepared abundantly before his death.

6 ¶ Then he called for Solomon his ſonne, and charged him to build an houſe for the LORD God of Iſrael.

7 And Dauid ſaid to Solomon, My ſonne, as for me it was in my minde to build an houſe vnto the Name of the LORD my God.

8 But the word of the LORD came vnto me, ſaying, * Thou haſt ſhed blood abundantly, and haſt made great warres: thou ſhalt not build an houſe vnto my Name, becauſe thou haſt ſhed much blood vpon the earth in my ſight.

9 Behold, a ſonne ſhall be borne to thee, who ſhall be a man of reſt, and I will giue him reſt from all his enemies round about: for his name ſhall be ‖ Solomon, and I will giue peace and quietneſſe to Iſrael in his dayes.

10 He ſhall build an houſe for my Name, and he ſhall be my ſonne, and I *will be* his Father, and I will eſtabliſh the Throne of his Kingdome ouer Iſrael for euer.

11 Now my ſonne, the LORD be with thee, and proſper thou, and build the houſe of the LORD thy God, as he hath ſaid of thee.

12 Only the LORD giue thee wiſdom and vnderſtanding, & giue thee charge concerning Iſrael, that thou mayeſt keepe the Law of the LORD thy God.

13 Then ſhalt thou proſper, if thou take heed to fulfill the Statutes and Iudgements which the LORD charged Moſes with, concerning Iſrael: be ſtrong, and of good courage, dread not, nor be diſmayed.

14 Now behold, ‖ in my trouble I haue prepared for the houſe of the LORD, an hundred thouſand talents of golde, and a thouſand thouſand talents of ſilver, and of braſſe, and yron without * weight, (for it is in abundance) timber alſo and ſtone haue I prepared, and thou mayeſt adde thereto.

15 Moreouer, *there are* workemen with thee in abundance, hewers and ‖ workers of ſtone and timber, and all manner of cunning man for euery manner of worke:

of the gold, the siluer, and the brasse, and the
there is no number. Arise therefore, and bee
and the LORD be with thee.
Dauid also commanded all the Princes of Is-
helpe Solomon his sonne, *saying*,
is not the LORD your God with you? and
not giuen you rest on euery side? for hee
ioms the inhabitants of the land into mine
and the land is subdued before the LORD,
fore his people.
Now set your heart and your soule to seek the
your God: arise therefore, and build ye the
ary of the LORD God, to bring the Arke of
uenant of the LORD, and the holy vessels of
to the house that is to be built to the Name
LORD.

CHAP. XXIII.

Dauid in his old age maketh Solomon King. 2 Number and distribution of the Leuites. 7 The sons of the Gershonites. 12 The sons of Kohath. 21 Sonnes of Merari.

When Dauid was old, and full of dayes, he
de Solomon his sonne King ouer Israel.
And he gathered together all the Princes of
with the Priests and the Leuites.
Now the Leuites were numbred from the age
thirty * yeeres and vpward: and their num-
their polles, man by man was thirty and
thousand.
which, twenty and foure thousand *were* to
ward the worke of the house of the LORD
thousand *were* officers and Iudges.
Moreouer, foure thousand *were* porters, and
thousand praised the LORD with the instru-
which I made (*said Dauid*) to praise *there-*

And Dauid diuided them into † courses a-
the sonnes of Leui, *namely*, Gershon, Kohath
rari.
Of the Gershonites *were* ‖ Laadan & Shimei.
The sons of Laadan, the chiefe *was* Iehiel, and
, and Ioel, three.
The sons of Shimei: Shelomith, and Haziel and
ree. These *were* the chiefe of the fathers
ne.
And the sons of Shimei *were*: Iahath, ‖ Zina,
sh, and Beriah. These foure *were* the sonnes
mei.
And Iahath was the chiefe, and Zizа the se-
but Ieush and Beriah † had not many sonnes
refore they were in one reckoning according
the fathers house.
The sons of Kohath: Amram, Izhar, Hebron
Uziel, foure.
The sons of * Amram: Aaron and Moses: and
Aaron was separated, that he should sanctifie the
most holy things, he and his sons for euer, to burne
incense before the LORD, to minister vnto him, and
to blesse in his Name for euer.
Now concerning Moses the man of God, his
sonnes were named of the tribe of Leui.
The sonnes of Moses *were*: * Gershom and
Eliezer.
Of the sons of Gershom, Shebuel * *was* the
chiefe.
And the sonnes of Eliezer *were*: * Rehabiah
the chiefe. And Eliezer had none other sons: but
the sons of Rehabiah † were very many.
Of the sons of Izhar Shelomith the chiefe.
Of the sons of Hebron, Ieriah the first, Amari-
ah the second, Iahaziel the third, and Iekamiam the
fourth.
Of the sons of Vzziel: Michah the first, and
Isshiah the second.
The sons of Merari: Mahli, and Mushi. The
sonnes of Mahli: Eleazar, and Kish.
And Eleazar died, and had no sonnes but
daughters: and their ‖ brethren the sonnes of Kish
tooke them. ‖ *Or, kinsmen.*
The sons of Mushi: Mahli, and Eder, and Ie-
remoth, three.
These *were* the sonnes of * Leui, after the
house of their fathers, *euen* the chiefe of the fa-
thers, as they were counted by number of names by
their polles, that did the worke for the seruice of
the house of the LORD, from the age of * twenty
yeeres and vpward.
For Dauid said, The LORD God of Israel
hath giuen rest vnto his people, ‖ *that* they may
dwell in Ierusalem for euer. ‖ *Or, and he dwelleth in Ierusalem, &c.*
And also vnto the Leuites: they shall no *more*
carry the Tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the
seruice thereof.
For by the last words of Dauid, the Leuites
were† numbred from twenty yeeres old and abroad:
Because † their office was to wait on the sons
of Aaron, for the seruice of the house of the LORD,
in the courts, and in the chambers, and in the puri-
fying of all holy things, and the worke of the ser-
uice of the house of God: † *Hebr. their station was at the hand of the sons of Aaron.*
Both for the * Shew-bread, and for the fine
flowre for meate offering, and for the vnleauened
cakes, and for *that which is baked* in the pan, and
for *that which* is fryed, and for all maner of mea-
sures and size.
And to stand euery morning to thanke and
praise the LORD, and likewise at euen:
And to offer all burnt sacrifices vnto § LORD
in the Sabbaths, in the new Moones, and on the set
Feasts by number, according to the order commad-
ded vnto them continually before the LORD: * Chap. 9.29. & Leui. 6.21. § *Or, that place.*
And that they should keepe the charge of the
Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the charge
of the holy place, and the charge of the sonnes of
Aaron their brethren, in the seruice of the house of
the LORD.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 The diuisions of the sons of Aaron by lot into foure and twenty orders. 20 The Kohathites, 27 and the Merarites diuided by lot.

NOw *these* are the diuisions of the sons of Aa-
ron. The sons of Aaron: Nadab and Abihu, * Leuit. 10.4.
Eleazar and Ithamar.
But Nadab and Abihu died * before their fa-
ther, and had no children: therefore Eleazar and
Ithamar executed the Priests office. * Numb. 3.4. and 26.60.
And Dauid distributed them: both Zadok of
the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of
Ithamar according to their offices in their seruice.
And there were more chiefe men found of the
sons of Eleazar, then of the sons of Ithamar: and
thus were they diuided. Among the sons of Elea-
zar, there were sixteene chiefe men of the house of
their fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar,
according to the house of their fathers.
Thus were they diuided by lot, one sort with
another: for the gouernours of the Sanctuary, and
gouernours of the house of God, were of the sonnes
of Eleazar, and of the sonnes of Ithamar.
And Shemaiah the sonne of Nathanael the
Scribe, one of the Leuites, wrote them before the
King, and the Princes, and Zadok the Priest, and
Ahimelech the sonne of Abiathar, and *before* the
chiefe of the fathers of the Priests and Leuites:

† Heb. house of the father.

one † principall houſhold being taken for Eleazar, and one taken for Ithamar.

7 Now the firſt lot came forth to Iehoiarib: the ſecond to Iedaiah,

8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim.

9 The fift to Malchijah, the ſixt to Mijamin,

*Luke 1.5. 10 The ſeuenth to Hakkoz, the eight to *Abijah

11 The ninth to Ieſhua, the tenth to Shecaniah,

12 The eleuenth to Eliaſhib, the twelfth to Iakim,

13 The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Ieſhebeab,

14 The fifteenth to Bilgah, the ſixteenth to Immer,

15 The ſeuenteenth to Hezer, the eighteenth to Aphſes,

16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Iehezekel,

17 The one and twentieth to Iachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,

18 The three and twentieth to Dleaiah, the foure and twentieth to Maaziah.

19 Theſe *were* the orderings of them in their ſeruice to come into the houſe of the LORD, according to their maner, vnder Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Iſrael had commanded him.

20 ¶ And the reſt of the ſons of Leui *were* theſe: of the ſons of Amram, Shubael: of the ſonnes of Shubael, Iedeiah.

21 Concerning Rehabiah, of the ſonnes of Rehabiah, the firſt *was* Iſshiah.

22 Of the Izharites, Shelomoth: of the ſonnes of Shelomoth, Iahath.

*Chap. 23.19. & 26.31. 23 And the ſons of *Hebron* Ieriah *the firſt*, Amariah the ſecond, Iahaziel the third, Iekameam the fourth.

24 Of the ſonnes of Vzziel, Michah: of the ſons of Michah, Shamir.

25 The brother of Michah *was* Iſshiah: of the ſonnes of Iſshiah, Zechariah.

26 The ſons of Merari *were* Mahli, and Muſhi: the ſonnes of Iaaziah, Beno.

27 ¶ The ſons of Merari by Iahaziah, Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.

28 Of Mahli came Eleazar, who had no ſonnes.

29 Concerning Kiſh: the ſonne of Kiſh, was Ierahmeel.

30 The ſonnes alſo of Muſhi, Mahli, and Edar, and Ierimoth. Theſe *were* the ſons of the Leuites, after the houſe of their fathers.

31 Theſe likewiſe caſt lots euen againſt their brethren the ſonnes of Aaron in the preſence of Dauid the King, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chiefe of the fathers of the Priеſts and Leuites, euen the principall fathers, euen againſt their yonger brethren.

CHAP. XXV.

The number and offices of the ſingers. 8 Their diuiſion by lot into foure and twenty orders.

[Or, otherwiſe called Ieſharelah. ver. 14. † Heb. by the hand of the King. ‖ Or, Izri. ver. 11. ‖ With Shimei, mentioned, v. 17.

MOreouer, Dauid and the captaines of the hoſte, ſeparated to the ſeruice of the ſons of Aſaph, and of Heman, and of Ieduthun, who ſhould propheſie with harpes, with pſalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workemen, according to their ſeruice was:

2 Of the ſonnes of Aſaph: Zaccur, and Ioſeph, and Nethaniah, and ‖ Aſarelah, the ſons of Aſaph, vnder the hands of Aſaph, which propheſied † according to the order of the King.

3 Of Ieduthun: the ſons of Ieduthun, Gedaliah, and ‖ Zeri, and Ieſhaiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, ‖ ſixe, vnder the hands of their father Ieduthun who propheſied with a harpe, to giue thanks and to praiſe the LORD.

4 Of Heman the ſons of Heman, Bukkiah, Mattaniah, ‖ Vzziel, ‖ Shebuel, and Ierimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliatha, Giddalti, & Romamti-Ezer, Iosbekaſhah, Mallothi, Hothir and Mahazioth.

5 All theſe were the ſonnes of Heman the ‖ Seer in the † words of God, to lift vp the horne. And God gaue to Heman fourteene ſons and three daughters.

6 All theſe were vnder the hands of their father for Song in the houſe of the LORD with cymbals, pſalteries and harpes, for the ſeruice of the houſe of God, † according to the kings order, euen Aſaph, Ieduthun, and Heman.

7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were inſtructed in the ſongs of the LORD, all that were cunning, *was* two hundreth fourescore and eight.

8 ¶ And they caſt lots, ward againſt ward, as well ſ ſmall as the great, the teacher as the ſcholler.

9 Now the firſt lot came forth for Aſaph, for Ioſeph, the ſecond to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and ſonnes *were* twelue:

10 The third to Zaccur, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

11 The fourth to Izri, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

12 The fifth to Nethaniah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

13 The ſixth to Bukkiah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

14 The ſeuenth to Ieſharelah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

15 The eight to Ieſhaiah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

16 The ninth to Mattaniah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

17 The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his ſons and his brethren *were* twelue.

18 The eleuenth to Azareel, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

19 The twelfth to Hashabiah, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

20 The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

22 The fifteenth to Ieremoth, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

23 The ſixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

24 The ſeuenteenth to Ioſhbekashah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

25 The eighteenth to Hanani, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

26 The nineteenth to Mallothi, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

27 The twentieth to Eliathah, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

30 The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue:

31 The foure and twentieth to Romamti-Ezer, *he*, his ſonnes and his brethren *were* twelue.

CHAP. XXVI.

The diuiſions of the porters. 13 The gates caſt by lot. 20 The Leuites that had charge of treaſures. 29 Officers and Iudges.

ncerning the diuiſions of the Porters, of the
Korhites, was ‖ Meſhelemiah the ſon of Kore,
ſonnes of ‖ Aſaph.
nd the ſons of Meſhelemiah, were Zechariah
ſt borne, Iediael the ſecond, Zebadiah the
Jathaniel the fourth.
Elam the fifte, Iehohanan the ſixt, Eliehoenai the
h.
Moreouer, the ſonnes of Obed Edom, were
ah the firſt borne, Iehoz. bad the ſecond, Ie-
third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel
fifte.
mmiel the ſixt, Iſſachar the ſeuenth, Peulthai
ght: for God bleſſed ‖ him.
lſo vnto Shemaiah his ſon were ſonnes borne,
led throughout the houſe of their father:
y were mighty men of valour.
The ſonnes of Shemaiah: Othni, and Rephael,
Obed, Elzabad, whoſe brethren were ſtrong
Elihu, and Semachiah.
ll theſe of the ſonnes of Obed-Edom: they
eir ſonnes, and their brethren, able men for
th for the ſeruice, were threeſcore and two of
Edom.
nd Meſhelemiah had ſonnes and brethren
men, eighteene.
lſo Hoſah of the children of Merari, had
Simri the chiefe; (for though he was not the
ne, yet his father made him the chiefe.)
Iekiah the ſecond, Tebaliah the third, Ze-
h the fourth: all the ſonnes and brethren of
were thirteene.
mong theſe were the diuiſions of the porters,
even ‖ chiefe men, hauing wards one againſt
r, to miniſter in the houſe of the LORD.
And they caſt lots, ‖ as well the ſmall as the
according to the houſe of their fathers for
ate.
nd the lot Eaſtward fell to ‖ Shelemiah, then
hariah his ſon, (a wiſe counſeller) they caſt
d his lot came out Northward.
o Obed Edom Southward, and to his ſonnes,
houſe of † Aſuppim.
o Shuppim and Hoſa the lot came foorth
ard with the gate Shallecheth, by the cauſey
going vp, ward againſt ward.
Eaſtward were ſixe Leuites, Northward foure
Southward foure a day, and toward Aſuppim
four.
nd Parbar Weſtward, foure at the cauſey,
two at Parbar.
Theſe are the diuiſions of the porters among
the ſonnes of Kore, and among the ſonnes of Merari.
And of the Leuites, Ahijah was ouer the
ſure of the houſe of God, and ouer the trea-
ſure of the † dedicate things.
Concerning the ſons of ‖ Laadan: the ſons
of the Gerſhonite, Laadan, chiefe fathers; euen of
Laadan the Gerſhonite, were ‖ Iehieli.
The ſonnes of Iehieli; Zetham and Ioel his
brother, which were ouer the treaſures of the houſe
of the LORD.
Of the Amramites, and the Izharites, the He-
bronites, and the Vzzielites:
And Shebuel the ſonne of Gerſhom, the ſonne
of Moſes was ruler of the treaſures.
And his brethren by Eliezer: Rehabiah his
ſonne, and Iſhaiah his ſonne, and Ioram his ſon, and
Zichri his ſonne, and Shelomith his ſonne.
Which Shelomith and his brethren were ouer
all the treaſures of the dedicate things, which Da-
uid the King, and the chiefe fathers, the captaines
ouer thouſands and hundreds, and the captaines of
the hoſte had dedicated.
† Out of the ſpoiles won in battels, did they
dedicate to maintaine the houſe of the LORD.
And all that Samuel the Seer, and Saul the
ſon of Kish, and Abner the ſon of Ner, and Ioab the
ſon of Zeruiah had dedicated, and whoſoeuer had
dedicated any thing, it was vnder the hand of She-
lomith, and of his brethren.
¶ Of the Izharites, Chenaniah, and his ſonnes
were for the outward buſineſſe ouer Iſrael, for Of-
ficers and Iudges.
And of the Hebronites, Haſhabiah, and his
brethren, men of valour, a thouſand and ſeuen hun-
dred, were † officers among them of Iſrael on this
ſide Iordan Weſtward, in all buſines of the LORD,
and in the ſeruice of the King.
Among the Hebronites was Ierijah the chiefe
euen among the Hebronites, according to the gene-
rations of his fathers: in the fourtieth yeere of the
reigne of Dauid, they were ſought for, and there
were found among them mighty men of valour, at
Lazer o Gilead.
And his brethren men of valour, were two
thouſand and ſeuen hundred chiefe fathers, whom
King Dauid made rulers ouer the Reubenites, the
Gadites, and the halfe tribe of Manaſſeh, for euery
matter pertaining to God, & † affaires of the king.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 The twelue captaines for euery ſeuerall moneth.
16 The Princes of the twelue tribes. 23 *The num-*
bring of the people is hindred.

NOw the children of Iſrael after their number,
to wit, the chiefe fathers, and captaines of
thouſands and hundreds, and their officers that ſer-
ued the King in any matter of the courſes, which
came in and went out moneth by moneth through-
out all the moneths of the yeere, of euery courſe
were twenty and foure thouſand.
2 Ouer the firſt courſe for the firſt moneth, was
Iaſhobeam the ſonne of Zabdiel, and in his courſe
were twenty and foure thouſand.
3 Of the children of Perez was the chiefe of all
the captaines of the hoſte, for the firſt moneth.
4 And ouer the courſe of the ſecond moneth was
‖ Dodai an Ahohite, and of his courſe was Mikloth
alſo the ruler: in his courſe likewiſe were twentie
and foure thouſand.
5 The third captain of the hoſte for the third mo-
neth was Benaiah § ſon of Iehoiada a ‖ chiefe Prieſt,
and in his courſe were twenty and foure thouſand.
6 This is that Benaiah who was * mighty among
the thirty, and aboue the thirty: and in his courſe
was Amizabad his ſonne.
7 The fourth captaine for the fourth moneth was
Aſahel the brother of Ioab, and Zebadiah his ſonne
after him: and in his courſe were twenty and foure
thouſand.
8 The fifth captaine for the fifth moneth was
Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his courſe were
twenty and foure thouſand.
9 The ſixth captaine for the ſixth moneth was Ira
the ſonne of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his courſe
were twenty and foure thouſand.
10 The ſeuenth captaine for the ſeuenth moneth,
was Helez the Pelonite of the children of Ephraim:
and in his courſe were twenty and foure thouſand.
11 The eight captaine for the eight moneth, was
Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in
his courſe were twenty and foure thouſand.
12 The ninth captaine for the ninth moneth, was
Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in
his

† *Hebr.* *ons of the baſſels & ſpoyles.*
† *Hebr.* *euer the charge.*
† *Hebr.* *thing.*
‖ *Or, Dodo;* 2. *Sam.* 23. 9.
‖ *Or, principall officer.*
* 2. *Sam.* 23. 20, 22, 23. and 1. *chron.* 11. 24.

his course *were* twentie and foure thousands.

13 The tenth *captaine* for the tenth moneth, *was* Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twentie and foure thousand.

14 The eleuenth *captaine* for the eleuenth moneth, *was* Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twentie and foure thousand.

15 The twelfth *captaine* for the twelfth moneth, ‖Or, Heled. chap. 11.30. *was* ‖Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course *were* twentie and foure thousand.

16 ¶ Furthermore, ouer the tribes of Israel: The Ruler of the Reubenites, *was* Eliezer the sonne of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the sonne of Maachah.

17 Of the Leuites: Hashabiah the sonne of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok.

18 Of Iudah, Elihu, *one* of the brethren of Dauid: of Issachar, Omri the sonne of Michael.

19 Of Zebulun, Ismaiah the sonne of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Ierimoth the sonne of Azriel.

20 Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the sonne of Azazziah: of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Ioel the sonne of Pedaiah.

21 Of the halfe tribe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the sonne of Zechariah: of Beniamin, Iaasiel the sonne of Abner.

22 Of Dan, Azariel the sonne of Ieroham. These *were* the Princes of the tribes of Israel.

23 ¶ But Dauid tooke not the number of them from twentie yeeres old and vnder: because the LORD had said, he would increase Israel like to the starres of the heauens.

24 Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not, because there fell wrath for it against Israel, neither † was the number put in the accompt of the Chronicles of King Dauid. *Chap. 21.7. 2.sam.24.5, &c. † Hebr. ascended.

25 ¶ And ouer the Kings treasures *was* Azmaueth the sonne of Adiel: and ouer the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles, *was* Iehonathan the sonne of Vzziah.

26 And ouer them that did the worke of the field, for tillage of the ground, *was* Ezri the sonne of Chelub.

27 And ouer the vineyards *was* Shimei the Ramathite: † ouer the increase *of* the vineyards for the wine-cellars, was Sabdi the Ziphmite. † Hebr. ouer that which was of the vineyards.

28 And ouer the Olive trees, and the Sycomore trees that *were* in the low plaines, *was* Baal-hanan the Gederite: & ouer the cellars of oyle *was* Ioash.

29 And ouer the heards that fed in Sharon, *was* Shetrai the Sharonite, & ouer the heards that *were* in the valleys, *was* Shaphat the sonne of Adlai.

30 Ouer the camels also *was* Obil the Ishmaelite, and ouer the asses, *was* Iehdeiah the Meronothite.

31 And ouer the flockes *was* Iaziz the Hagarite. All these *were* the rulers of the substance which *was* King Dauids.

32 Also Ionathan Dauids vncle was a counseller, a wise man, and a ‖Scribe: and Iehiel the ‖son of Hachmoni *was* with the Kings sonnes. ‖Or, Secretarie. ‖Or, Hachmonite.

33 And Ahithophel *was* the kings counseller, and Hushai the Archite *was* the Kings companion.

34 And after Ahithophel was Iehoiada the sonne of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the generall of the Kings army *was* Ioab.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 *Dauid in a solemne assemblie, hauing declared Gods fauour to him, & promise to his son Salomon, exhorteth them to feare God.* 9 20 *He encourageth Salomon to build the Temple.* 11 *Hee giueth him patternes for the building of the Temple.*

AND Dauid assembled all the Princes of Israel, the Princes of the tribes, and the captaines of the companies that ministred to the king by order, and the captaines ouer the thousands, and captaines ouer the hundreds, and the stewards ouer all the substance, and ‖possession of the King, and his sons, with the ‖officers, and with the mightie men, and with all the valiant men vnto Ierusalem.

2 Then Dauid the King stood vp vpon his feet, and said, Heare me, my brethren and my people: as for me, I had in my heart to build an house of rest for the Arke of the couenant of the LORD, and for the † foot-stoole of our God, and had made ready for the building.

3 But God said vnto me, Thou shalt not build an house for my Name, because thou hast been a man of warre, and hast shed ‖blood.

4 Howbeit, the LORD God of Israel chose me before all the house of my father, to be King ouer Israel for euer: for he hath chosen ‖Iudah to be the Ruler: and of the house of Iudah, the house of my father; and among the sonnes of my father he liked me to make me King ouer all Israel.

5 And of all my sonnes (for the LORD hath giuen me many sonnes) he hath chosen Solomon my sonne to sit vpon the throne of the kingdome of the LORD ouer Israel.

6 And he said vnto me, Solomon thy sonne shall build my House, and my Courts: for I haue chosen him to be my sonne, and I will be his father.

7 Moreouer, I will establish his kingdome for euer, if he be † constant to do my commandements and my iudgements, as at this day.

8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the Congregation of the LORD, and in the audience of our God, keepe, and seeke for all the Commandements of the LORD your God, that ye may possesse this good land, and leaue it for an heritage for your children after you for euer.

9 ¶ * And thou Solomon my sonne, know thou the God of thy father, and serue him with a perfect heart, and with a willing minde: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and vnderstandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seeke him, he will be found of thee, but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for euer.

10 Take heede now, for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the Sanctuarie: be strong and doe it.

11 ¶ Then Dauid gaue to Solomon his sonne the paterne of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the vpper rooms thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the Mercie-seate.

12 And the paterne † of all that he had by the Spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicate things.

13 Also for the courses of the Priests and Leuites, and for all the worke of the seruice of the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of seruice in the house of the LORD.

14 He gaue of gold by weight, for things of gold, for all instruments of all manner of seruice: siluer also for all instruments of siluer, by weight, for all instruments of euery kind of seruice:

15 Euen the weight for the candlesticks of gold, and for their lampes of gold, by weight for euery Candlesticke and for the lampes thereof: and for the Candlesticks of siluer, by weight, both for the Candlestick, and also for

* Chap. 21.7. 2.sam.24. 5, &c. † Hebr. a seconded. ‖Or, Heled. chap. 11.30. ‖Or, Secretarie. ‖Or, Hachmonite. † Hebr. ouer that which was of the vineyards.

ording to the vse of euery candlesticke.
And by weight he gaue gold for the tables of
bread, for euery table, and likewise siluer for
tables of siluer.
Also pure gold for the flesh hookes, and the
ls, and the cups: and for the golden basins, he
gold by weight for euery basin: and likewise
er by weight for euery basin of siluer.
And for the Altar of incense, refined gold by
ght: and gold for the paterne of the charet of
Cherubims that spread out *their wings*, and
ered the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD.
All this, *said Dauid*, the LORD made me vn-
stand in writing by *his* hand vpon me, *euen* all
workes of this paterne.
And Dauid said to Solomon his sonne, Bee
ong and of good courage, and doe it: feare not,
be dismayed, for the LORD God, *euen* my God,
be with thee; he will not faile thee, nor forsake
, vntill thou hast finished all the worke for the
ice of the house of the LORD.
And behold, the courses of the Priests and the
ites, *euen they shall be* with thee for all the ser-
of the house of God, and there *shall be* with
for all maner of workemanship euery willing
ll man for any manner of seruice: also the
ers and all the people *will bee* wholly at thy
mandement.

CHAP. XXIX.

Dauid by his example and entreaty, 6 causeth Princes and people to offer willingly. 10 Dauids thankesgiuing and prayer. 20 The people blessed God, and sacrificed, make Solomon 26 Dauids reigne and death

Furthermore, Dauid the King said vnto all the
Congregation, Solomon my sonne, *whom* alone
hath chosen, *is* yet * yong and tender, and the
k is great: for the palace *is* not for man, but
the LORD God.
Now I haue prepared with all my might for
use of my God, the gold for *things to bee*
of gold, the siluer for *things* of siluer, and
asse for *things* of brasse, the yron for *things*
n, and wood for *things* of wood, Onyx stones,
nes to be set, glistering stones, and of diuers
rs, and all maner of precious stones, and mar-
nes in abundance.
Moreouer, because I haue set my affection to
use of my God, I haue of mine owne peculer
, of gold and siluer *which* I haue giuen to the
se of my God, ouer and abone all that I haue
ared for the holy house:
Euen three thousand talents of gold, of the
of * Ophir, and seuen thousand talents of re-
siluer, to ouerlay the walles of the houses
all.
The gold for *things* of gold, and the siluer
things of siluer, and for all maner of worke to
e by the hands of Artificers. And who then
lling † to consecrate his seruice this day vnto
LORD?
Then the chiefe of the fathers, and Princes
tribes of Israel, and the captaines of thou-
and of hundreds, with the rulers ouer the
worke offered willingly,
And gaue for the seruice of the house of God,
fiue thousand talents, and ten thousand
es: and of siluer ten thousand talents: and
, eighteene thousand talents: and one hun-
thousand talents of yron.
And they with whom precious stones were
gaue them to the treasure of the house of
the LORD, by the hand of Iehiel, the Gershonite.
Then the people reioyced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD: and Dauid the King also reioyced with great ioy.
Wherefore Dauid blessed the LORD before all the Congregation: and Dauid said, Blessed *bee* thou LORD God of Israel, our father, for euer and euer.
Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatnesse, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the maiesty: for all *that is* in the heauen and in the earth, *is thine*: thine *is* the kingdome, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head aboue all.
Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest ouer all, and in thine hand *is* power and might, and in thine hand *is it* to make great, and to giue strength vnto all.
Now therefore our God, we thanke thee, and praise thy glorious Name.
But who *am* I, and what *is* my people, that we should † bee able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things *come* of thee, and of † thine owne haue we giuen thee.
For we *are* strangers before thee, and sojourners, as *were* all our fathers: * our dayes on the earth *are* as a shadow, and there *is* none † abiding.
O LORD our God, all this store that we haue prepared to build thee an house for thy holy Name, commeth of thine hand, and *is* all thine owne.
I know also, my God, that thou * triest the heart, and hast pleasure in vprightnesse. As for me, in the vprightnesse of mine heart I haue willingly offered all these things: and now haue I seene with ioy, thy people which are † present heere, to offer willingly vnto thee.
O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel our fathers, keepe this for euer in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and † prepare their heart vnto thee:
And giue vnto Solomon my sonne † perfect heart to keepe thy Commandements, thy Testimonies, and thy Statutes, & to doe all *these things*, and to build the palace, *for* the which I haue made prouision.
¶ And Dauid said to all the Congregation: Now blesse the LORD your God. And all the Congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed downe their heads, and worshipped the LORD and the King.
And they sacrificed sacrifices vnto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings vnto the LORD on the morrow after that day, euen a thousand bullockes, a thousand rammes, *and* a thousand lambes, with their drinke offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:
And did eate and drinke before the LORD on that day with great gladnesse: and they made Solomon the sonne of Dauid King the second time, and * anointed *him* vnto the LORD to bee the chiefe gouernour, and Zadok to be Priest.
Thus Solomon sate on the throne of the LORD as King, in stead of Dauid his father, and prospered, and all Israel obeyed him.
And all the Princes, and the mighty men, and all the sonnes likewise of king Dauid † submitted themselues vnto Solomon the King.
And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and * bestowed vpon him *such* royall maiestie as had not beene on any King before him in Israel.
¶ Thus Dauid the son of Iesse reigned ouer all Israel.

† Heb. retaine, or obtaine: strength.
† Hebr. of thine hand.
* Psal. 39. 12 & 90. 9. heb. 11. 13. 1. pet. 2. 11.
† Hebr. expectation.
* Chap. 28. 9. 1. sam. 16. 7.
† Hebr. found.
‖ Or, stablish.
* Matth. 6. 13. 1. tim. 1. 17. reue. 5. 13.
* 1. King. 1. 33.
† Hebr. gaue the hand vnder Solomon.
* 1. Kings 3. 13. 2. chron. 1. 12. eccles. 2. 9.

27 And the time that hee reigned ouer Israel, *was* fourty yeeres: seuen yeeres reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three yeeres reigned he in Ierusalem.

28 And hee died in a good old age, full of dayes, riches and honour: and Solomon his sonne reigned in his stead.

29 Now the actes of Dauid the King, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the ‖ booke of Samuel the Seer, and in the † booke of Nathan the Prophet, and in the booke of Gad the Seer,

30 With all his reigne, and his might, and the times that went ouer him, and ouer Israel, and ouer all the kingdomes of the countreys.

¶ THE SECOND BOOKE OF THE CHRONICLES.

CHAP. I.

1 *The solemne offering of Solomon at Gibeon.* 7 *Solomons choise of wisedome is blessed by God.* 13 *Solomons strength and wealth.*

1 AND Solomon the sonne of Dauid was strengthened in his kingdome, and the LORD his God *was* with him, and magnified him exceedingly.

*1. Kings 2.46.

2 Then Solomon spake vnto all Israel, to the captaines of thousands, and of hundreds, and to the iudges, and to euery Gouernour in all Israel, the chiefe of the fathers.

3 So Solomon and all the Congregation with him, went to the high place that *was* at *Gibeon, for there was the Tabernacle of the Congregation of God, which Moses the seruant of the LORD had made in the wildernesse.

*1. Kings 3.4. 1. chron. 16.39. & 21.29. *2. Sam. 6.17.

4 * But the Arke of God had Dauid brought vp from Kiriath-iearim, to *the place which* Dauid had prepared for it: for hee had pitched a tent for it at Ierusalem.

5 Moreouer, * the brazen Altar that Bezaleel the son of Vri, the son of Hur had made, ‖ he put before the Tabernacle of the LORD: and Solomon and the Congregation sought vnto it.

* Exod. 38.1. ‖ Or, was there.

6 And Solomon went vp thither to the brazen Altar before the LORD, which *was* at the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and offered a thousand burnt offerings vpon it.

7 ¶ In that night did God appeare vnto Solomon, & said vnto him, Aske what I shall giue thee.

8 And Solomon said vnto God, Thou hast shewed great mercy vnto Dauid my father, and hast made * me to reigne in his stead.

* 1. Chron. 28.5

9 Now, O LORD God, let thy promise vnto Dauid my father be established: * for thou hast made me King ouer a people, † like the dust of the earth in multitude.

* 1. Kings 3.9. † Hebr. much as the dust of the earth.

10 Giue * me now wisedome and knowledge, that I may goe out and come in before this people. For who can iudge this thy people *that is* so great?

* 1. Kings 3.11, 12. num. 27.

11 And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisedome and knowledge for thy selfe, that thou mayest iudge my people, ouer whom I haue made thee King:

12 Wisedome and knowledge is granted vnto thee, and I will giue thee riches and wealth, and honour, such as * none of the Kings haue had that haue beene before thee, neither shall there any after thee haue the like.

* 1. Chro. 29.25. eccle. 2.9. 2. chron. 9.22.

13 ¶ Then Solomon came *from his iourney to* the high place that *was* at Gibeon, to Ierusalem, from before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and reigned ouer Israel.

*1. Kings 10.25, &c. & 4.26.

14 * And Solomon gathered charets, and horsemen: and he had a thousand and foure hundred charets, and twelue thousand horsemen, which he placed in the caret cities, and with the King at Ierusalem

15 * And the King † made siluer and gold in Ierusalem *as plenteous as* stones, and Cedar trees made hee as the Sycamore trees that *are* in the vale for abundance.

16 * And † Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linnen yarne: the Kings merchants receiued the linnen yarne at a price.

17 And they fetcht vp, and brought forth out of Egypt, a caret for sixe hundred sheekels of siluer, and an horse for an hundred & fifty: & so brought they out horses for all the Kings of the Hittites, and for the Kings of Syria † by their meanes.

CHAP. II.

1 *and 17 Solomons labourers for the building of the Temple.* 3 *He entreateth Huram for workemen and prouision of timber.* 11 *How he receiueth him a kinds answere.*

1 AND Solomon determined to build an house for the Name of the LORD, and an house for his kingdome.

2 And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to beare burdens, and fourescore thousand to hew in the mountaine, and three thousand and sixe hundred to ouersee them.

3 ¶ And Solomon sent to ‖ Huram the King of Tyre, saying, As thou didst deale with Dauid my father, and didst send him Cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, *euen so deale with me.*

‖ Or, Hiram.

4 Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate it to him, and to burne before him † sweet incense, and for the continuall Shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and euening, on the Sabbaths, and on the new Moones, and on the solemne feasts of the LORD our God. This *is an ordinance* for euer to Israel.

† Hebr. sweet incense of spices.

5 And the house which I build *is* great: for great *is* our God aboue all gods.

6 * But who † is able to build him an house, seeing the heauen, and heauen of heauens cannot containe him? who am I then, that I should build him an house? saue onely to burne sacrifice before him?

* 1. King. 8.27. † Hebr. restraineth.

7 Send mee now therefore a man cunning to worke in gold, and in siluer, and in brasse, and in yron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that can skill to † graue, with the cunning men that are with me in Iudah, and in Ierusalem, whom my father did prouide.

† Hebr. open.

8 Send me also Cedar trees, Firre trees, and Algume trees out of Lebanon: (for I know that thy seruants can skill to cut timber in Lebanon) & behold my seruants *shall be* with thy seruants,

9 Euen to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which I am about to build shall be wonderfull great.

10 And behold, I will giue to thy seruants the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand

heate wheat, and twenty thousand measures of
ley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and
enty thousand baths of oyle.
11 ¶ Then Huram the King of Tyre answered in
iting, which hee sent to † Solomon: Because the
ORD hath loued his people, hee hath made thee
g ouer them.
12 Huram said moreouer, Blessed *bee* the LORD
d of Israel that made heauen and earth, who hath
uen to Dauid the King a wise sonne endued with
dence and vnderstanding, that might build an
use for the LORD, & an house for his kingdome.
13 And now I haue sent a cunning man endued
h vnderstanding of Huram my fathers:
14 The sonne of a woman of the daughters of
n, and his father *was* a man of Tyre, skilfull to
ke in gold, and in siluer, in brasse, in yron, in
e, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine
n, and in crimson: also to graue any manner of
g, and to finde out euery deuice which shall
ue to him, with thy cunning men, and with the
ning men of my lord Dauid thy father.
15 Now therefore, the wheat and the barley, the
e and the wine which my lord hath spoken of,
him send vnto his seruants:
16 And we will cut wood out of Lebanon, † as
h as thou shalt need: and we will bring it to
in floats by Sea to † Ioppa, and thou shalt
y it vp to Ierusalem.
17 ¶ * And Solomon numbred all † the stran-
rs that *were* in the land of Israel, after the num-
ring wherewith Dauid his father had numbred
m: and they were found an hundred and fiftie
ousand and three thousand and six hundred.
18 And he set * threescore and ten thousand of
m to be bearers of burdens, and fourescore thou-
nd to be hewers in the mountaine, and three thou-
nd and fiue hundred ouerseers to set the people a
rke.

CHAP. III.

The place and time of building the Temple. 3 The measure and ornaments of the house. 11 The Cherubims. 14 The vaile and pillars.

1 Then * Solomon began to build the house of
the LORD at Ierusalem in mount Moriah,
ere the LORD appeared vnto Dauid his fa-
r, in the place that Dauid had prepared, in the
ing floore of ‖ Ornan the Iebusite.
2 And hee began to build in the second day of
e second moneth, in the fourth yere of his reigne.
3 Now these *are the things* wherein Solomon
s instructed for the building of the house of
d. The length by cubites, after the first measure,
as threescore cubites, and the breadth twentie
bites.
4 And the * porch that *was* in the front of the
use, the length of it *was* according to the breadth
the house, twentie cubites, and the height *was an*
undred and twenty: and hee ouerlaid it within
ith pure gold.
5 And the greater house hee sieled with firre-tree,
hich he ouerlaid with fine gold, and set thereon
alme trees, and chaines.
6 And he † garnished the house with precious
ones for beauty, and the gold *was* gold of Par-
aim.
7 He ouerlaid also the house, the beames, the
resholds, and the walls thereof, and the doores thereof
ith gold, and graued Cherubims on the walls.
8 ¶ And he made the most holy house, the length
hereof was according to the breadth of the house,
wentie cubites, and the breadth thereof twentie
cubites: and he ouerlaid it with fine gold *amounting* to sixe hundred talents.
9 And the weight of the nailes was fifty shekels
of gold; and he ouerlaid the vpper chambers with
gold.
10 And in the most holy place he made two Cherubims of ‖ imagerie worke, & ouerlaid them with gold.
11 ¶ And the wings of the Cherubims *were* in
twentie cubites long: one wing of the one Cherub
was fiue cubites, reaching to the wall of the house:
and the other wing was likewise fiue cubites, reaching to the wing of the other Cherub:
12 And one wing of the other Cherub was fiue
cubites, reaching to the wall of the house: and the
other wing was fiue cubites also, ioyning to the
wing of the other Cherub.
13 The wings of these Cherubims spread themselues fourth twentie cubites: and they stood on
their feet, and their faces *were* inward.
14 ¶ And hee made the * vaile of blue and purple, and crimson, and fine linnen, and † wrought
Cherubims thereon.
15 Also hee made before the house * two pillars of thirty and fiue cubites ‖ high, and the chapiter
that was on the top of each of them, was fiue cubits.
16 And he made chaines, as in the Oracle, and
put *them* on the heads of the pillars, and made an
hundred pomegranates, & put *them* on the chaines.
17 And he * reared vp the pillars before the Temple, one on the right hand, and the other on the left
hand, and called the name of that on the right hand ‖ Iachin, and the name of that on the left, ‖ Boaz.

CHAP. IIII.

1 The Altar of brasse. 2 The molten Sea vpon twelue oxen. 6 The ten lauers, Candlesticks, and Tables. 9 The Courts and the instruments of brasse. 19 The instruments of gold.

MOreouer, hee made an Altar of brasse, twenty
cubites the length thereof, and twenty cubites the breadth thereof, and ten cubites the height
thereof.
2 ¶ * Also he made a molten Sea of ten cubites
† from brim to brim, round in compasse, and fiue
cubites the height thereof, and a line of thirty cubits did compasse it round about.
3 * And vnder it *was* the similitude of oxen,
which did compasse it round about: ten in a cubit
compassing the Sea round about. Two rowes of
oxen *were* cast when it was cast.
4 It stood vpon twelue oxen: three looking toward ‖ North, & three looking toward the West,
and three looking toward the South, and three looking toward the East: and the Sea *was set* aboue
vpon them, and all their hinder parts were inward.
5 And the thicknesse of it *was* an hand breadth,
and the brim of it like the worke of the brim of
a cup, ‖ with flowers of Lillies: and it receiued
and held three thousand Baths.
6 ¶ He made also ten Lauers, and put fiue on the
right hand, and fiue on the left, to wash in them:
such things as they offered for the † burnt offering
they washed in them, but the Sea was for the Priests
to wash in.
7 And he made ten Candlesticks of gold according to their forme, and set *them* in the Temple,
fiue on the right hand, and fiue on the left.
8 He made also ten Tables and placed *them* in
the Temple, fiue on the right side, and fiue on the
left: and he made an hundred ‖ basins of gold.
9 ¶ Furthermore, hee made the Court of the
Priests, and the great Court, and doores for the
Court, & ouerlaid the doores of them with brasse.

T 2 10 And

1. King. 7. 13. &c.
Or, Cast worke.
Or, toward the house.
*Mat. 27. 51.
† Hebr. caused to ascend.
*Ierem. 52. 21. 2. king. 7. 15.
† Hebr. long.
*1. Kings 7. 21.
‖ That is, he shall establish.
‖ That is, in it is strength.
1. King. 7. 23. &c.
† Hebr. from his brim to his brim.
*1. King. 7. 24.
‖ Or, like a Lillie flower.
† Heb. the worke of burnt offering.
‖ Or, lauers

10 And hee set the Sea on the right side of the East end ouer against the South.

11 And Huram made the pots, and the shouels, and the ‖ basins, and Huram † finished the worke that hee was to make for King Solomon for the house of God:

12 *To wit*, the two pillars, and the pomels, and the chapiters which *were* on the top of the two pillars, and the two wreathes to couer the two pomels of the chapiters which *were* on the top of the pillars:

13 And foure hundred pomegranates on the two wreathes: two rowes of pomegranates on each wreathe, to couer the two pomels of the chapiters, which *were* † vpon the pillars.

14 He made also bases, and ‖ layers made he vpon the bases.

15 One Sea, and twelue oxen vnder it.

16 The pots also, and the shouels, and the fleshhookes, and all their instruments did Huram his father make to King Solomon for the house of the LORD, of † bright brasse.

17 In the plaine of Iordan did the King cast them in the † clay ground, betweene Succoth and Zeredathah.

18 Thus Solomon made all these vessels in great abundance: for the weight of the brasse could not be found out.

19 ¶ And Solomon made all the vessels that *were* for the house of God, the golden Altar also, and the Tables whereon the Shew bread *was set*.

20 Moreouer, the candlesticks with their lampes, that they should burne after the manner, before the Oracle of pure gold:

21 And the flowres, and the lamps, and the tongs, *made he* of gold, *and* that † perfect gold.

22 And the snuffers, and the ‖ basins, and the spoones, and the censers of pure gold. And the entry of the house, the inner doores thereof for the most Holy place, and the doores of the house of the Temple *were* of gold

CHAP. V.

1 *The dedicated treasures.* 2 *The solemne induction of the Arke into the Oracle.* 11 *God being praised, giueth a visible signe of his fauour.*

THus all the worke that Solomon made for the house of the LORD was finished: * and Solomon brought in all the things that Dauid his father had dedicated, and the siluer, and the gold, and all the instruments put he among the treasures of the house of God.

2 ¶ * Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chiefe of the fathers of the children of Israel vnto Ierusalem, to bring vp the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD out of the city of Dauid, which *is* Zion.

3 Wherefore all the men of Israel assembled themselues vnto the King in the feast, which *was* in the seuenth moneth.

4 And all the Elders of Israel came, and the Leuites tooke vp the Arke.

5 And they brought vp the Arke, and the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the Tabernacle, these did the Priests *and* the Lenites bring vp.

6 Also King Solomon and all the Congregation of Israel, that were assembled vnto him before the Arke, sacrificed sheepe, and oxen, which could not be told, nor numbred for multitude.

7 And the Priests brought in the Arke of the Couenant of the LORD vnto his place, to the Oracle of the house into the most Holy place, *euen* vnder the wings of the Cherubims:

8 For the Cherubims spread foorth *their* wings ouer the place of the Arke, and the Cherubims couered the Arke, and the staues thereof, aboue.

9 And they drew out the staues of the Arke, that the ends of the staues were seene from the Arke before the Oracle, but they were not seene without. And there ‖ it is vnto this day.

10 *There was* nothing in the Arke, saue the two Tables which Moses * put *there* at Horeb, when the LORD made *a Couenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out of Egypt.

11 ¶ And it came to passe, when the Priests were come out of the holy place, (for all the Priests that were † present, were sanctified, and did not then wait by course:

12 * Also the Leuites which were the singers all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Iedithun with their sons, and their brethren, being arayed in white linnen, hauing cymbals and psalteries, & harps stood at the East end of the Altar, & with them aboue an hundred and twenty Priests, sounding with trumpets:)

13 It came euen to passe, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD, and when they lift vp their voyce with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musicke, and praised the LORD, *saying*, * For he *is* good, for his mercy endureth for euer: that *then* the house was filled with a cloud, *euen* the house of the LORD,

14 So that the Priests could not stand to minister, by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

CHAP. VI.

1 *Solomon hauing blessed the people, blesseth God.* 12 *Solomons prayer in the consecration of the Temple, vpon the brasen scaffold.*

THen * said Solomon, The LORD hath said that he would dwell in the * thicke darkenesse.

2 But I haue built an house of habitation for thee, and a place for thy dwelling for euer.

3 And the King turned his face, and blessed the whole Congregation of Israel, (and all the Congregation of Israel stood:)

4 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled that which he spake with his mouth to my father Dauid, saying,

5 Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the land of Egypt, I chose no citie among all the tribes of Israel to build an house in, that my Name might be there, neither chose I any man to be a ruler ouer my people Israel:

6 But I haue chosen Ierusalem, that my Name might be there, and haue chosen Dauid to be ouer my people Israel.

7 Now * it was in the heart of Dauid my father to build an house for the Name of the LORD God of Israel.

8 But the LORD said to Dauid my father, Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build an house for my Name, thou diddest well in that it was in thine heart.

9 Notwithstanding, thou shalt not build the house, but thy sonne which shall come forth of thy loines, he shall build the house for my Name.

10 The LORD therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken: for I am risen vp in the roome of Dauid my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and haue built the house for the Name of the LORD God of Israel.

11 And in it haue I put the Arke, wherein is the Couenant of the LORD that he made with the children of Israel.

‖ *Or, bowles.* † *Hebr hiuseed to make.* † *Hebr. vpon the face* ‖ *Or caul drons.* † *Hebr. made bright, or scowred.* † *Hebr. thicknesse of the ground.* † *Hebr. perfections of gold* ‖ *Or, bowles.* *1. Kings 7.51. *1. Kings 8.1, &c.

22 ¶ And he ſtood before the Altar of the LORD, the preſence of all the Congregation of Iſrael, and ſpread foorth his hands:

23 (For Solomon had made a brazen ſcaffold of five cubits † long, and five cubits broad, and three cubits high, and had ſet it in the midſt of the court, and vpon it he ſtood, and kneeled downe vpon his knees before all the Congregation of Iſrael, and ſpread forth his hands towards heauen.)

24 And ſaid, O LORD God of Iſrael, *there is* no God like thee in the heauen, nor in the earth, which keepeſt Couenant, and *ſheweſt* mercy vnto thy ſeruants that walke before thee with all their hearts,

25 Thou which haſt kept with thy ſeruant Dauid my father that which thou haſt promiſed him: and ſpakeſt with thy mouth, and haſt fulfilled it with thine hand, as it is this day.

26 Now therefore, O LORD God of Iſrael, keepe with thy ſeruant Dauid my father, that which thou haſt promiſed him, ſaying, *There ſhall not † faile thee a man in my ſight, to ſit vpon the Throne of Iſrael: *yet ſo that thy children take heed to their way, to walke in my Law, as thou haſt walked before me.

27 Now then, O LORD God of Iſrael, let thy word be verified, which thou haſt ſpoken vnto thy ſeruant Dauid.

28 (But will God in very deed dwell with men vpon the earth? *Behold, heauen, and the heauen of heauens cannot contain thee: how much leſſe this houſe which I haue built?)

29 Haue reſpect therefore to the prayer of thy ſeruant, and to his ſupplication, O LORD my God, to hearken vnto the cry, and the prayer which thy ſeruant prayeth before thee;

30 That thine eyes may be open vpon this houſe, day and night, vpon the place whereof thou haſt ſaid, that thou wouldeſt put thy Name there, to hearken vnto the prayer which thy ſeruant prayeth toward this place.

31 Hearken therefore vnto the ſupplications of thy ſeruant, and of thy people Iſrael, which they ſhall make towards this place: heare thou from the dwelling place, euen from heauen; and when thou heareſt forgiue.

32 If a man ſinne againſt his neighbour, † and an othe be laid vpon him to make him ſweare, and his othe come before thine Altar in this houſe:

33 Then heare thou from heauen, and doe, and iudge thy ſeruants, by requiting the wicked, by recompenſing his way vpon his owne head; and by iuſtifying the righteous, by giuing him according to his righteouſneſſe.

34 And if thy people Iſrael ‖ bee put to the worſe before the enemy, becauſe they haue ſinned againſt thee, and ſhall returne and confeſſe thy Name, and pray, and make ſupplication before thee in this houſe:

35 Then heare thou from the heauens, and forgiue the ſinne of thy people Iſrael, and bring them againe vnto the land which thou gaueſt to them, and to their fathers.

36 When the * heauen is ſhut vp, and there is no raine, becauſe they haue ſinned againſt thee: *yet* if they pray towards this place, and confeſſe thy Name, and turne from their ſinne, when thou doeſt afflict them:

37 Then heare thou from heauen, and forgiue the ſinne of thy ſeruants, and of thy people Iſrael, when thou haſt taught them the good way wherein they ſhould walke, and ſend raine vpon the land which thou haſt giuen vnto thy people for an inheritance.

38 ¶ If there * be dearth in the land, if there be peſtilence, if there be blaſting or mildew, locuſts, or if there be caterpillars; if their enemies beſiege them in the Cities of their land: whatſoeuer ſore, or whatſoeuer ſickneſſe there *be*:

39 *Then* what prayer, or what ſupplication ſoeuer ſhall be made of any man, or of all thy people Iſrael, when euery one ſhall know his owne ſore, and his owne griefe, and ſhall ſpread forth his hands in this houſe:

40 Then heare thou from heauen thy dwelling place, and forgiue, and render vnto euery man according vnto all his wayes, whoſe heart thou knoweſt, (for thou onely * knoweſt the hearts of the children of men:)

41 That they may feare thee, to walke in thy wayes † ſo long as they liue, † in the land which thou gaueſt vnto our Fathers.

42 ¶ Moreouer concerning the ſtranger * which is not of thy people Iſrael, but is come from a farre countrey for thy great Names ſake, and thy mighty hand, and thy ſtretched out arme: if they come and pray in this houſe:

43 Then heare thou from the heauens, euen from thy dwelling place, and doe according to all that the ſtranger calleth to thee for: that all people of the earth may know thy Name and feare thee, as doth thy people Iſrael, and may know that † this houſe which I haue built is called by thy Name.

44 If thy people goe out to warre againſt their enemies by the way that thou ſhalt ſend them, and they pray vnto thee toward this city which † thou haſt choſen, and the houſe which I haue built for thy Name:

45 Then heare thou from the heauens their prayer and their ſupplication, and maintaine their ‖ cauſe.

46 If they ſinne againſt thee (*for there is* * no man which ſinneth not) and thou be angry with them, and deliuer them ouer before their enemies, and † they carry them away captiues vnto a land farre off, or neere:

47 Yet *if* they † bethinke themſelues in the land, whither they are carried captiue, and turne and pray vnto thee in the land of their captiuity, ſaying, We haue ſinned, we haue done amiſſe, and haue dealt wickedly:

48 If they returne to thee with all their heart, and with all their ſoule, in the land of their captiuity, whither they haue caried them captiues, & pray toward their land, which † gaueſt vnto their fathers, & *toward* the city which thou haſt choſen, and toward the houſe which I haue built for thy Name:

49 Then heare thou from the heauens *euen* from thy dwelling place, their prayer and their ſupplications, and maintaine their ‖ cauſe, and forgiue thy people which haue ſinned againſt thee.

50 Now my God, let (I beſeech thee) thine eyes be open, and let thine eares be attent † vnto the prayer *that is made* in this place.

51 Now * therefore ariſe, O LORD God, into thy reſting place, thou, & the Arke of thy ſtrength: let thy Priеſts, O LORD God, be cloathed with ſaluation, and let thy Saints reioyce in goodneſſe.

52 O LORD God, turne not away the face of thine anointed: remember † the mercies of Dauid thy ſeruant.

CHAP. VII.

1 God hauing giuen teſtimony to Solomons prayer by fire from heauen, and glory in the Temple, the people worship him. 4 Solomons ſolemne ſacrifice. 8 Solomon hauing kept the feaſt of Tabernacles and the feaſt of the dedication of the Altar diſmiſſeth the people. 12 God appearing to Solomon, giueth him promiſes vpon condition.

* Chap. 20. 9.
† Hebr. in the land of their gates.
‖ Or, ſmitten before the enemy.
† Hebr. in the houſe.
* 1. Chro. 28. 9.
† Hebr. all the dayes which.
‖ Hebr. vpon the face of the land.
* Iob. 12. 20. acts 8. 27.
† Hebr. thy Name is called vpon this houſe.
‖ Or, right
* Pro. 20. 9. eccles. 7. 21. iam. 3. 2. 1 Ioh. 1. 8.
† Hebr. they that take them captiues carry them away.
† Hebr. bring backe to their heart, &c.
‖ Or, right
† Hebr. to the prayer of this place
* Pſal. 132. 9.

NOw when Solomon had made an end of Praying, the * fire came downe from heauen, and consumed the burnt offering, and the sacrifices, and the glory of the LORD filled the house.

2 And the Priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORDS house.

3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came downe, and the glory of the LORD vpon the house: they bowed themselues with their faces to the ground vpon the pauement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD *saying*, For hee *is* good, for his mercy *endureth* for euer.

4 ¶ Then the King and all the people offered sacrifices before the LORD.

5 And King Solomon offred a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheepe. So the King and all the people dedicated the house of God.

6 * And the Priests waited on their offices: the Leuites also with instruments of musicke of the LORD, which Dauid ‡ King had made to praise the LORD, because his mercy *endureth* for euer, when Dauid praised ‡by their ministery: and the Priests sounded trumpets before them, and all Israel stood.

7 Moreouer, Solomon hallowed the middle of the Court, that *was* before the house of the LORD: for there he offred burnt offerings, and the fat of the peace offrings, because the brazen Altar which Solomon had made, was not able to receiue the burnt offerings, and the meat offerings and the fat.

8 ¶ Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seuen dayes, and all Israel with him, a very great Congregation, from the entring in of Hamath vnto the * riuer of Egypt.

9 And in the eight day they made † a solemne assembly: for they kept the dedication of the Altar seuen dayes, and the feast seuen dayes.

10 And on the three and twentieth day of the seuenth moneth, he sent the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart, for the goodnesse that the LORD hath shewed vnto Dauid and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.

11 Thus * Solomon finished the house of the LORD, and the Kings house, and all that came into Solomons heart to make in the house of the LORD, & in his owne house he prosperously effected.

12 ¶ And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said vnto him, I haue heard thy prayer, * and haue chosen this place to my selfe for an house of sacrifice.

13 If I shut vp heauen that there be no raine, or if I command the locusts to deuoure the land, or if I send pestilence among my people:

14 If my people † which are called by my Name shall humble themselues, and pray, and seeke my face, and turne from their wicked waies: then will I heare from heauen, and will forgiue their sin, and will heale their land.

15 Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine * eares attent ‡vnto the prayer *that is made* in this place.

16 For now haue * I chosen, and sanctified this house, that my Name may bee there for euer: and mine eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually.

17 And as for thee, if thou wilt walke before me, as Dauid thy father walked, and doe according to all that I haue commanded thee, and shalt obserue my Statutes and my iudgements,

18 Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdome, according as I haue couenanted with Dauid thy father, saying, * There shall not faile thee a man to be ruler in Israel.

19 * But if ye turne away and forsake my Statutes and my Commandements which I haue set before you, and shall goe and serue other gods, and worship them:

20 Then will I plucke them vp by the roots out of my land which I haue giuen them, and this house which I haue sanctified for my Name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it to be a prouerbe, and a by-word among all nations.

21 And this house which is high, shall be an astonishment to euery one that passeth by it: so that he shall say, * Why hath the LORD done thus vnto this land, and vnto this house?

22 And it shalbe answered, Because they forsooke the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them & serued them: Therefore hath he brought all this euill vpon them.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *Solomons buildings.* 7 *Th Gentiles which were left, Solomon made tributaries.* 11 *But the Israelites.* 11 *Pharahs daughter removed to her house.* 12 *Solomons yeerely solemne sacrifices.* 14 *He appointeth the Priests and Leuites in their places.* 17 *The Nauy fetcheth gold from Ophir.*

AND * it came to passe at the end of twenty yeeres wherein Solomon had built the house of the LORD, and his owne house,

2 That the cities which Huram had restored to Solomon, Solomon built them, and caused the children of Israel to dwell there.

3 And Solomon went to Hamath Zobah, and prouailed against it.

4 And he built Tadmor in the wildernesse, and all the store-cities which he built in Hamath.

5 Also he built Beth horon the vpper, and Beth horon the nether, fenced cities, with walles, gates and barres:

6 And Baalath, and all the store cities that Solomon had, and all the charet cities, and the cities of the horsemen, and † all that Solomon desired to build in Ierusalem, and in Lebanon, and throughout all the land of his dominion.

7 ¶ As for all the people that were left of the Hittites, and the Amorites, & the Perizzites, & the Hiuites, and the Iebusites which were not of Israel,

8 But of their children who were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel consumed not: them did Solomon make to pay tribute, vnto this day.

9 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no seruants for his worke: but they were men of warre, and chiefe of his captains, and captaines of his charets and horsemen.

10 And these were the chiefe of King Solomons officers, euen two hundred and fifty that bare rule ouer the people.

11 ¶ And Solomon * brought vp the daughter of Pharaoh out of the city of Dauid, vnto the house that he had built for her: for he said, My wife shall not dwell in the house of Dauid King of Israel, because the *places* to the which the Arke of the LORD hath come *are holy*.

12 ¶ Then Solomon offered burnt offerings vnto the LORD on the Altar of the LORD, which he had built before the porch:

13 Euen after a certaine rate euery day, offering according to the commandement of Moses, on the Sabbaths, and on the new moones, and on the three solemne Feasts * three times in the yeere, euen in the Feast of vnleauened bread, and in the Feast of Weekes, and in the Feast of Tabernacles,

24 ¶ And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the * courses of the Priests to their seruice, and the Leuites to their charges, to praise and minister before the Priests, as the duty of euery day required: the * porters also by their courses at euery gate: for † so had David the man of God commanded.

25 And they departed not from the commandement of the King vnto the Priests and Leuites, concerning any matter, or concerning the treasures.

26 Now all the worke of Solomon was prepared vnto the day of the foundation of the house of the LORD, and vntill it was finished: so the house of the LORD was perfected.

27 ¶ Then went Solomon to Ezion-Geber, and to Eloth, at the Sea side in the land of Edome.

28 And Huram sent him by the hands of his seruants, ships, & seruants that had knowledge of the sea; and they went with the seruants of Solomon to Ophir, and tooke thence foure hundred and fifty talents of gold, & brought *them* to king Solomon.

CHAP. IX.

The Queene of Sheba admireth the wisedome of Salomon. 13 Solomons gold. 15 His targets. 17 The throne of Iuory. 20 His vessels. 23 His presents. 25 His chariots and horse. 26 His tributes. 29 His rule and death.

1 And * when the Queene of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to proue Solomon with hard questions at Ierusalem, with a very great traine, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

2 And Solomon told her all her questions: & there was nothing hid from Solomon, which he told her not.

3 And when the Queene of Sheba had seene the wisedome of Solomon, and † the house that he had built,

4 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his seruants, and the attendance of his ministers, & their apparell, his ‖ cupbearers also, and their apparell, and his ascent, by which he went vp into the house of the LORD, there was no more spirit in her.

5 And she said to the King, It *was* a true † report which I heard in mine owne land, of thine acts, and of thy wisedome.

6 Howbeit, I beleeued not their words, vntill I came, and mine eyes had seene *it*: and behold, the one half of the greatnesse of thy wisdome was not told me: for thou exceedest the fame that I heard.

7 Happy *are* thy men, and happy *are* these thy seruants which stand continually before thee, and heare thy wisedome.

8 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on his throne, to be king for the LORD thy God: because thy God loued Israel, to establish them for euer, therefore made he thee king ouer them, to doe iudgement and iustice.

9 And she gaue the King an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices great abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the Queene of Sheba gaue King Solomon.

10 And the seruants also of Huram, and the seruants of Solomon, which brought gold from Ophir, brought Algume trees and precious stones.

11 And the king made of the Algume trees † terraces to the house of the LORD, & to the Kings palace, and harpes, and psalteries for singers: and there were no such seene before in the land of Iudah.

12 And king Solomon gaue to the Queene of Sheba her desire, whatsoeuer she asked, besides that which she had brought vnto the king: so she turned and went away to her owne land, she, and her seruants.

13 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one yeere, was six hundred and threescore and six talents of gold,

14 Besides *that* which chapmen and merchants brought: and all the kings of Arabia, & ‖ gouernors of the country, brought gold & siluer to Solomon. ‖ *Or, captaines.*

15 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of beaten gold went to one target.

16 And three hundred shields *made he* of beaten gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went to one shield: and the King put them in the house of the forrest of Lebanon.

17 Moreouer, the King made a great throne of Iuory, and ouerlaid it with pure gold.

18 And *there were* six steps to the throne, with a footstoole of gold, *which were* fastened to the throne, and † stayes on each side of the sitting place, and two lyons standing by the staues. † *Hebr.* *hands.*

19 And twelue lyons stood there on the one side, and on the other, vpon the six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdome.

20 ¶ And all the drinking vessels of King Solomon *were* of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forrest of Lebanon *were* of † pure gold, ‖ none *were* of siluer: it was not any thing accounted of in the dayes of Solomon. † *Hebr.* *shut vp.* ‖ *Or, there was no*

21 For the Kings ships went to Tarshish with the seruants of Huram: euery three yeere once came the ships of Tarshish bringing gold and siluer, ‖ Iuory and Apes, and Peacockes. *siluer in account. Heb.* ‖ *Or, Elephants teeth.*

22 And King Solomon passed all the Kings of the earth in riches and wisedome.

23 ¶ And all the Kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon to heare his wisedome, that God had put in his heart.

24 And they brought euery man his present, vessels of siluer, & vessels of gold, & raiment, harnesse, and spices, horses and mules, a rate yeere by yeere. *1. Kings 4.26.*

25 ¶ And Solomon * had fourre thousand stalles for horses and charets, and twelue thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the charet cities, and with the King at Ierusalem

26 ¶ And he reigned ouer all the Kings * from the riuer, euen vnto the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt. *Gene. 15.18.*

27 And the King † made siluer in Ierusalem as stones, and Cedar trees made he as the Sycamore trees that *are* in the low plaines in abundance. ‖ *That is, Euphrates.* † *Heb. gaue.*

28 * And they brought vnto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands. *1. Kings 10.28 & 2. chron. 1.16.*

29 ¶ Now the rest of the * acts of Solomon, first and last, *are* they not written in the † booke of Nathan the Prophet, and in the prophecie of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of * Iddo the Seer, against Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat? *1 Kings 11.41.* † *Hebr. words.*

30 And Solomon reigned in Ierusalem, ouer all Israel fourty yeeres.

31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and hee was buried in the city of Dauid his father, and Rehoboam his sonne reigned in his stead. Chap. 12.13.

CHAP. X.

1 The Israelites assembled at Shechem to crowne Rehoboam, by Ieroboam make a suit of relaxation vnto him. 6 Rehoboam refusing the oldmens counsell, by the aduice of young men answereth them roughly. 16 Ten tribes reuolting, kill Hadoram, and make Reboboam to flie.

AND * Rehoboam went to Shechem, for to Shechem were all Israel come to make him King. *1 Kings 12.1, &c.*

NOw when Solomon had made an end of Praying, the * fire came downe from heauen, and
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*Chap. 6.30.

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*Chap. 6.6.

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16 And three hundred shields *made he* of beaten gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went to one shield: and the King put them in the house of the forrest of Leb anon.

17 Moreouer, the King made a great throne of Iuory, and ouerlaid it with pure gold.

18 And *there were* six steps to the throne, with a footstoole of gold, *which were* fastened to the † Hebr. *hands.* throne, and † stayes on each side of the sitting place, and two lyons standing by the stayes.

19 And twelue lyons stood there on the one side, and on the other, vpon the six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdome.

20 ¶ And all the drinking vessels of King Solomon *were* of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forrest of Lebanon *were* of † pure gold, ‖ none *were* of siluer: it was not any thing accounted of ‖ Or, *shewn vp.* in the dayes of Solomon.

21 For the Kings ships went to Tarshish with the seruants of Huram: euery three yeere once came the ships of Tarshish bringing gold and siluer, ‖ Iuory and Apes, and Peacockes. ‖ Or, *elephants.*

22 And King Solomon passed all the Kings of the earth in riches and wisedome.

23 ¶ And all the Kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon to heare his wisedome, that God had put in his heart.

24 And they brought euery man his present, vessels of siluer, & vessels of gold, & raiment, harnesse, and spices, horses and mules, a rate yeere by yeere. *1. Kings 4.26.

25 ¶ And Solomon * had fourre thousand stalles for horses and charets, and twelue thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the charet cities, and with the King at Ierusalem.

26 ¶ And he reigned ouer all the Kings * from the riuer, euen vnto the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt. *Gene. 15.18.

27 And the King † made siluer in Ierusalem as stones, and Cedar trees made he as the Sycamore trees that *are* in the low plaines in abundance. ‖ That is, *Euphemistically.* † Hebr. *gaue.*

28 * And they brought vnto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands. *1. Kings 10.28 & 2. Chron. 1.16.

29 ¶ Now the rest of the * acts of Solomon, first and last, *are* they not written in the † booke of Nathan the Prophet, and in the prophecie of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of * Iddo the Seer, against Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat? *1 Kings 11.41. † Hebr. *words.*

30 And Solomon reigned in Ierusalem, ouer all Israel fourty yeeres.

31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and hee was buried in the city of Dauid his father, and Rehoboam his sonne reigned in his stead. Chap. 12.13.

CHAP. X.

1 The Israelites assembled at Shechem to crowne Rehoboam, by Ieroboam make a suit of relaxation vnto him. 6 Rehoboam refusing the oldmens counsell, by the aduice of young men answereth them roughly. 16 Ten tribes reuolting, kill Hadoram, and make Rehoboam to flie.

AND * Rehoboam went to Shechem, for to Shechem were all Israel come to make him King. *1 Kings 12.1, &c.

2 And it came to passe when Ieroboam the son of Nebat (who was in Egypt, whither he had fled from the presence of Solomon the King) heard it, that Ieroboam returned out of Egypt

3 And they sent and called him. So Ieroboam, and all Israel came & spake to Rehoboam saying.

4 Thy father made our yoke grieuous, now therefore ease thou somewhat the grieuous seruitude of thy father, and his heauy yoke that he put vpon vs, and we will serue thee.

5 And he said vnto them, Come againe vnto me after three dayes. And the people departed.

6 ¶ And King Rehoboam took counsel with the old men that had stood before Solomon, his father while he yet liued, saying, What counsell giue ye, mee, to returne answere to this people?

7 And they spake vnto him saying, if thou bee kind to this people, and please them, & speake good words to them, they will be thy seruants for euer.

8 But he forsooke the counsell which the old men gaue him, and tooke counsell with the young men that were brought vp with him, that stood before him.

9 And he said vnto them, What aduice giue yee, that we may returne answere to this people, which haue spoken to me, saying, Ease somewhat the yoke that thy father did put vpon vs?

10 And the yong men that were brought vp with him, spake vnto him, saying, Thus shalt thou answer the people that spake vnto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heauy, but make thou it somewhat lighter for vs: thus shalt thou say vnto them, My little finger shalbe thicker then my fathers loines.

11 For whereas my father † put an heauy yoke vpon you, I will put more to your yoke: my father chastised you with whippes, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

12 So Ieroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third day, as the King bade saying, Come againe vnto me on the third day.

13 And the King answered them roughly, & king Rehoboam forsooke the counsel of the old men,

14 And answered them after the aduice of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heauy but I will adde thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

15 So the king harkned not vnto the people, for the cause was of God, that the LORD might performe his word which hee spake by ‡ hand of Ahijah the Shilonite to Ieroboam the son of Nebat.

16 ¶ And when all Israel saw ‡ the King would not hearken vnto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion haue we in Dauid? and we haue none inheritance in the son of Isse: euery man to your tents, O Israel: and now Dauid, see to thine owne house. So all Israel went to their tents

17 But as for the children of Israel that dwelt in the cities of Iudah, Rehoboam reigned ouer them.

18 Then king Rehoboam sent Hadoram that was ouer the tribute, and the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died: but king Rehoboam † made speed to get him vp to his charet, to flee to Ierusalem.

19 And Israel rebelled against the house of Dauid vnto this day.

CHAP. XI.

1 Rehoboam raising an army to subdue Israel is forbidden by Shemaiah. 5 He strengtheneth his kingdome with forts and prouision. 13 The Priests and Leuites, and such as feared God forsaken by Ieroboam, strengthen the kingdome of Iudah. 18 The wiues and children of Rehoboam.

AND * when Rehoboam was come to Ierusalem, hee gathered of the house of Iudah and Beniamin an hundred and fourescore thousand chosen men, which were warriours, to fight against Israel, that hee might bring the kingdome again to Rehoboam.

2 But the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

3 Speake vnto Rehoboam the son of Solomon King of Iudah, and to all Israel in Iudah and Beniamin saying,

4 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not goe vp nor fight against your brethren: returne euery man to his house, for this thing is done of me. And they obeyed the words of the LORD, and returned from going against Ieroboam.

5 ¶ And Rehoboam dwelt in Ierusalem, and built cities for defence in Iudah.

6 He built euen Bethlehem & Etam and Tekoa,

7 And Bethzur, and Shoco, and Adullam,

8 And Gath, and Mareshah, and Ziph,

9 And Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah,

10 And Zorah, and Aialon, and Hebron, which are in Iudah, and in Beniamin, fenced cities.

11 And he fortified the strongholds, and put captaines in them, & store of victuall & of oile & wine.

12 And in euery seuerall citie he put shields & speares, and made them exceeding strong, hauing Iudah and Beniamin on his side.

13 ¶ And the Priests and the Leuites that were in all Israel resorted to him out of all their coasts.

14 For the Leuites left their suburbs, and their possession and came to Iudah and Ierusalem: for Ieroboam * and his sonnes had cast them off from executing the Priests office vnto the LORD.

15 And he ordained him Priests for the high places, and for the deuels, and for the calues which he had made.

16 And after them out of all the tribes of Israel, such as set their hearts to seeke the LORD God of Israel, came to Ierusalem to sacrifice vnto the LORD God of their fathers.

17 So they strengthened the kingdome of Iudah, and made Rehoboam the son of Solomon strong three yeeres: for three yeeres they walked in the way of Dauid and Salomon.

18 ¶ And Rehoboam tooke him Mahalath the daughter of Ierimoth the sonne of Dauid to wife, & Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Iesse.

19 Which bare him children, Ieush, and Shemariah, and Zaham.

20 And after her he tooke * Maacah the daughter of Absalom, which bare him Abijah, and Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.

21 And Rehoboam loued Maacah the daughter of Absalom, about all his wiues and his concubines: for he tooke eighteene wiues, and threescore concubines, and begate twenty and eight sonnes, and threescore daughters.

22 And Rehoboam made Abijah the son of Maacah, the chiefe to be ruler among his brethren: for he thought to make him King.

23 And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his children thorowout all the countrees of Iudah and Beniamin vnto euery fenced citie: and he gaue them victuall in abundance: & he desired many wiues.

CHAP. XII.

1 Rehoboam forsaking the LORD, is punished by Shishak. 5 He and the Princes repenting by the preaching of Shemaiah, are deliuered from destruction, but not from ſpoile. 13 The reign and death of Rehoboam.

d it came to passe, when Rehoboam had esta-
ished the kingdome, and had strengthened
selfe, he forsooke the Law of the LORD, and
el with him.

nd it came to passe, that in the fift yeere of
oam, Shishak King of Egypt came vp against
lem, (because they had transgressed against
RD,)

With twelue hundred charets, and threescore
nd horsemen: and the people were without
mber that came with him out of Egypt; the Lu-
ims, the Sukkiims, and the Ethiopians.

nd he tooke the fenced cities which pertai-
Iudah, and came to Ierusalem.

Then came Shemaiah the Prophet to Reho-
m, and to the Princes of Iudah that were ga-
ered together to Ierusalem, because of Shishak,
d vnto them, Thus saith the LORD, Ye haue
ken me, and therefore haue I also left you in
nd of Shishak.

Wherevpon the Princes of Israel, and the king
mbled themselues, and they said, The LORD is
hteous.

nd when the LORD saw that they humbled
emselues, the word of the LORD came to Shema-
ah, saying, They haue humbled themselues, there-
e I will not destroy them, but I will grant them
me deliuerance, & my wrath shall not be powred
t vpon Ierusalem, by the hand of Shishak.

Nevertheless, they shall bee his seruants, that
y may know my seruice, and the seruice of the
ngdomes of the countreyes.

So Shishak King of Egypt came vp against Ie-
alem, and tooke away the treasures of the house
the LORD, and the treasures of the kings house,
d all: he carried away also the shields of
ld which Salomon had * made.

Instead of which, King Rehoboam made
em of brasse, and committed them to the hands
the chiefe of the guard, that kept the entrance
the kings house.

nd when the King entred into the house of
E LORD, the guard came and fet them, and
ought them againe into the guard chamber.

nd when he humbled himselfe, the wrath of
e LORD turned from him, that he would not de-
roy him altogether: and also in Iudah things
went well.

So King * Rehoboam strengthened himselfe
Ierusalem, and reigned; for Rehoboam was one
d fourtie yeeres old when he began to reigne, and
d seuenteene yeeres in Ierusalem, the city
hich the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes
Israel, to put his Name there: and his mothers
me was Naamah an Ammonitesse.

And he did euill, because hee † prepared not
s heart to seeke the LORD.

Now the acts of Rehoboam first and last, are
ey not written in the † booke of Shemaiah the
ophet, and of Iddo the Seer concerning genealo-
es? And there were warres betweene Rehoboam
d Ieroboam continually.

So Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and
as buried in the citie of Dauid, and Abijah his
nne reigned in his stead.

CHAP XIII.

*Iudah succeeding, maketh warre against Ie-
roboam. 4 He declareth the right of his cause. 13
But God ouercommeth Ieroboam. 21 The
d and sonnes of Abijah.*

* In the eighteeneth yeere of King Iero-
oam began Abijah to reigne ouer Iudah.

2 He reigned three yeeres in Ierusalem (his mo-
thers name also was Michaiah the daughter of Vri-
el of Gibeah:) and there was warre betweene Abi-
jah and Ieroboam.

3 And Abijah † set the battell in aray with an
army of valiant men of warre, euen foure hundred
thousand chosen men: Ieroboam also set the battell
in aray against him, with eight hundred thousand
chosen men being mighty men of valour.

4 ¶ And Abijah stood vp vpon mount Zemara-
im, which is in mount Ephraim, and said, Heare me
thou Ieroboam, and all Israel:

5 Ought ye not to know, that the LORD God of
Israel gaue the kingdome ouer Israel, to Dauid for
euer, euen to him and to his sonnes, by a Couenant
of salt?

6 Yet Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, the seruant
of Solomon the sonne of Dauid is risen vp, and
hath * rebelled against his LORD.

7 And there are gathered vnto him vaine men,
the children of Belial, and haue strengthened them-
selues against Reboboam the son of Solomon, when
Rehoboam was yong and tender hearted, and could
not withstand them.

8 And now ye thinke to withstand the kingdom
of the LORD, in the hand of the sons of Dauid, and
ye be a great multitude, & there are with you gol-
den calues, which Ieroboam * made you for gods.

9 † Haue ye not cast out the Priests of the LORD
the sons of Aaron, and the Leuites, and haue made
you Priests after the maner of the nations of other
lands? so that whosoeuer commeth to † consecrate
himselfe with a young bullocke, and seuen rammes,
the same may be a priest of them that are no gods.

10 But as for vs, the LORD is our God, and we
haue not forsaken him, and the Priests which mini-
ster vnto the LORD are the sonnes of Aaron, and
the Leuites wait vpon their businesse.

11 * And they burne vnto the LORD euery mor-
ning, and euery euening, burnt sacrifices, and sweet
incense: the * Shew bread also set they in order vp-
on the pure Table, and the candlesticke of gold
with the lampes thereof, to burne euery euening:
for we keepe the charge of the LORD our God, but
ye haue forsaken him.

12 And behold, God himselfe is with vs for our
captaine, and his Priests with sounding trumpets,
to cry alarme against you: O children of Israel,
fight ye not against the LORD God of your fathers,
for you shall not prosper.

13 ¶ But Ieroboam caused an ambushment to
come about behind them: so they were before Iu-
dah, and the ambushment was behind them.

14 And when Iudah looked backe, behold, the
battell was before and behind: and they cryed vn-
to the LORD, and the Priests sounded with the
trumpets.

15 Then the men of Iudah gaue a shout: and as
the men of Iudah shouted, it came to passe that
God smote Ieroboam and all Israel, before Abijah
and Iudah.

16 And the children of Israel fled before Iudah:
and God deliuered them into their hand.

17 And Abijah and his people slew them with a
great slaughter: so there fell downe slaine of Isra-
el, fiue hundred thousand chosen men.

18 Thus the children of Israel were brought vn-
der at that time, and the children of Iudah preuai-
led, because they relied vpon the LORD God of
their fathers.

19 And Abijah pursued after Ieroboam, and took
cities from him, Bethel with the townes thereof,
and

* 1. Kings 11.26.

† Hebr. bound to-gether.

* 1. Kings 12.28.
* Chap. 11.14.
† Hebr. to fill his hand.

* Chap. 2.4.
* Leuit. 24.6.

and Iesh̃anah with the townes thereof, and Ephrain with the townes thereof.

20 Neither did Ieroboam recouer strength againe in the dayes of Abijah: and the LORD ſtrooke him, and he died.

‖Or, commentary. 21 ¶ But Abijah waxed mighty, and married fourteene wiues, and begat twenty and two ſons, and ſixteene daughters

* Chap. 13.15. 22 And the reſt of the actes of Abijah, and his wayes, and his ſayings, are written in the ‖ ſtory of the Propher * Iddo.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 *Aſa ſucceeding deſtroyeth idolatry. 6 Hauing peace, he ſtrengtheneth his kingdome with forts and armies. 9 Calling on God, he ouerthroweth Zerah, and ſpoileth the Ethiopians.*

SO Abijah ſlept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of Dauid, and * Aſa his ſonne reigned in his ſtead: in his dayes the land was quiet ten yeares.

* 1 Kings 15.9, &c.

2 And Aſa did that *which was* good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God.

3 For he tooke away the altars of the ſtrange gods, and the high places, and brake downe the † images, and cut downe the groues:

† Hebr. Statues.

4 And commanded Iudah to ſeeke the LORD God of their fathers, and to doe the Law, and the Commandement.

5 Alſo he tooke away out of all the cities of Iudah, the high places, and the † images: and the kingdome was quiet before him.

† Hebr. Sunne-images.

6 ¶ And he built fenced cities in Iudah: for the land had reſt, and he had no warre in thoſe yeares; becauſe the LORD had giuen him reſt.

7 Therefore he ſaid vnto Iudah, Let vs build theſe cities, and make about them walls and towers, gates and bars, while the land *is* yet before vs: becauſe we haue ſought the LORD our God, we haue ſought *him*, and he hath giuen vs reſt on euery ſide: So thy built, and proſpered.

8 And Aſa had an army *of men* that bare targets and ſpeares, out of Iudah, three hundred thouſand: and out of Beniamin, that bare ſhields, and drew bowes two hundred and fourteſcore thouſand: all theſe *were* mighty men of valour.

9 ¶ * And there came out againſt them, Zerah the Ethiopian, with an hoſte of a thouſand thouſand, and three hundred charets, and came vnto Mareſhah.

* Chap. 16.8.

10 Then Aſa went out againſt him, and they ſet the battell in aray in the valley of Zephathah at Mareſhah.

11 And Aſa cried vnto the LORD his God, and ſaid, LORD, it *is* * nothing with thee to helpe, whether with many or with them that haue no power. Helpe vs, O LORD our God, for we reſt on thee, and in thy Name we goe againſt this multitude: O LORD, thou art our God, let not ‖ man preuaile againſt thee.

* 1 Sam. 14.6.

‖Or, mortall man.

12 So the LORD ſmote the Ethiopians before Aſa, and before Iudah, and the Ethiopians fled.

13 And Aſa and the people that *were* with him, purſued them vnto Gerar: & the Ethiopians were ouerthrowne, that they could not recouer themſelues, for they were † deſtroyed before the LORD and before his hoſte, and they carried away very much ſpoile.

† Hebr. broken.

14 And they ſmote all the cities round about Gerar, for the feare of the LORD came vpon them, and they ſpoiled all the cities, for there was exceeding much ſpoile in them.

15 They ſmote alſo the tents of cattell, and carried away ſheepe and camels in abundance, and returned to Ieruſalem.

CHAP. XV.

1 *Aſa with Iudah and many of Iſrael, vpon the prophecie of Azariah the ſonne of Oded, make a ſolemne couenant with God. 16 He putteth Maachah his mother for her idolatry, from her dignitie: dedicateth things into the houſe of God, and maketh a long peace.*

NOw the Spirit of God came vpon Azariah the ſonne of Oded.

2 And he went out † to meet Aſa, and ſaid vnto him, Heare ye me, Aſa, and all Iudah, and Beniamin. The LORD *is* with you, while ye be with him: and if yee ſeeke him, he will be found of you: but if ye forſake him, he will forſake you.

3 Now for a long ſeaſon Iſrael *hath been* without the true God, and without a teaching Prieſt, and without Law.

4 But when they in their trouble did turne vnto the LORD God of Iſrael, and ſought him, he was found of them.

5 And in thoſe times *there was* no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in, but great vexations *were* vpon all the inhabitants of the countreys.

6 And nation was † deſtroyed of nation, and city of city: for God did vexe them with all aduerſity.

7 Be ye ſtrong therefore, and let not your hands be weake: for your worke ſhall be rewarded.

8 And when Aſa heard theſe words, and the prophecie of Oded the Prophet, he tooke courage, and put away the † abominable idoles out of all the land of Iudah and Beniamin, and out of the cities which he had taken from mount Ephraim, and renewed the Altar of the LORD, that was before the porch of the LORD.

9 And he gathered all Iudah and Beniamin, and the ſtrangers with them out of Ephraim, and Manaſſeh, and out of Simeon: (For they fell to him out of Iſrael in abundance, when they ſaw that the LORD his God *was* with him.)

10 So they gathered themſelues together at Ieruſalem, in the third moneth, in the fifteenth yeare of the reigne of Aſa.

11 And they offered vnto the LORD the ſame time, of the ſpoile *which* they had brought, ſeuen hundred oxen, and ſeuen thouſand ſheepe.

12 And they entred into a couenant to ſeeke the LORD God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their ſoule:

13 That whoſoeuer would not ſeeke the LORD God of Iſrael, ſhould be put to death, whether ſmall or great, whether man or woman.

14 And they ſware vnto the LORD with a loude voyce, and with ſhouting and with trumpets and with cornets.

15 And all Iudah reioyced at the oath: for they had ſworne with all their heart, and ſought him with their whole deſire, and he was found of them: and the LORD gaue them reſt round about.

16 ¶ And alſo concerning * Maachah the mother of Aſa the King he remoued her from being Queene, becauſe ſhe had made an † idole in a groue: and Aſa cut downe her idole, and ſtampedit, and burnt *it* at the brooke Kidron.

17 But the high places were not taken away out of Iſrael: neuertheleſſe the heart of Aſa was perfect all his dayes.

18 ¶ And he brought into the houſe of God the things that his father had dedicated, and the

hed dedicated, siluer, and gold, and vessels.
d there was no more war vnto the fiue and
h yeere of the reigne of Asa.

CHAP. XVI

*a by the aide of the Syrians, diuerteth Baa-
s building of Ramah 7 Being reproued
by Hanani, he putteth him in prison. 11 A-
other acts, in his disease he set∫ith not to
e in the Physicians. 13 His death and buriall.*

the fixe and thirtieth yeere of the reigne of
Baasha King of Israel came vp against Iu-
d built Ramah, to the intent that hee might
e goe out or come in to Asa King of Iudah.
hen Asa brought out siluer and gold out of
sores of the house of the LORD, and of the
ouse, and sent to Benhadad King of Syria,
ele at † Damascus, saying;

here is a league betweene mee and thee, as
as betweene my father and thy father: be-
hold I haue sent thee siluer and gold, goe breake
ue with Baasha King of Israel, that he may
from me.

nd Benhadad hearkened vnto king Asa, and
e captaines of † his armies against the ci-
Israel, and they smote Iion, and Dan, and A-
im, and all the store cities of Naphtali.

nd it came to passe when Baasha heard it,
e left off building of Ramah, and let his
eruse.

hen Asa the King tooke all Iudah, and they
away the stones of Ramah, and the timber
f, wherewith Baasha was a building, and
d therewith Geba and Mizpah.

And at that time Hanani the Seer came to
ng of Iudah and said vnto him, Becauſe thou
lied on the King of Syria, and not relied on
RD thy God, therefore is the hoste of the
Syria escaped out of thine hand.

ere not the Ethiopians and the Lubim a
hoste with very many chariots and horsemen?
ause thou didst relie on the LORD he deli-
them into thine hand.

r the eies of the LORD runne to and fro
ut the whole earth, † to shew himselfe
in the behalfe of *them* whose heart is perfect
s him. Herein thou hast done foolishly:
re from henceforth thou shalt haue wars.

hen Asa was wroth with the Seer, and put
a prison house; for he was in a rage with
e ſor this thing. And Asa † oppressed
of the people the same time.

And behold the Acts of Asa, first and last,
y are written in the booke of the kings
dah and Israel.

nd Asa in the thirty and ninth yeere of his
, was diseased in his feet, vntill his disease
exceeding *great*: yet in his disease he sought
the LORD, but to the Physicians.

And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in
e and fourtieth yeere of his reigne.

nd they buried him in his owne sepulchres
he had made for himselfe in the city of Da-
d laid him in the bed which was filled with
dours, and diuers kinds *of spices*, prepared
Apothecaries arte: and they made a very
rning for him.

CHAP. XVII.

*shaphat succeeding Asa, reigneth well and
erfully. He sendeth Leuites with the Princes
Iudah, to His enemies being terrified by
me of them bring him presents and tribute.
ruitfulnesse, captaines, and armies.*

AND * Iehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, * 1 King. 15.24.
and strengthened himselfe against Israel.

2 And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Iudah, and set garisons in the land of Iudah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken.

3 And the LORD was with Iehoshaphat, because hee walked in the first waies of his father Dauid, and sought not vnto Baalim:

4 But sought to the LORD God of his father, and walked in his Commandements, and not after the doings of Israel:

5 Therefore the LORD stablished the kingdome in his hand, and all Iudah † brought to Iehoshaphat presents, & he had riches and honour in abundance. † Hebr. gaue.

6 And his heart was † lifte vp in the waies of the LORD: moreouer, he tooke away the high places and groues out of Iudah. † That is was encouraged.

7 ¶ Also in the third yeere of his reigne he sent to his Princes, *euen* to Benhail, and to Obadiah, and to Zechariah, and to Nethaneel, and to Michaiah to teach in the cities of Iudah:

8 And with them *he sent* Leuites, euen Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Ionathan, and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah, Leuites: and with them, Elishama, and Iehoram, Priests.

9 And they taught in Iudah, and *had* the booke of the Law of the LORD with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Iudah, and taught the people.

10 ¶ And the feare of the LORD † fell vpon all the kingdomes of the lands that *were* round about Iudah, so that they made no warre against Iehoshaphat. † Hebr. was.

11 Also *some* of the Philistines brought Iehoshaphat presents, and tribute siluer: and the Arabians brought him flocks, seuen thousand and seuen hundred rams, and seuen thousand and seuen hundred hee goats.

12 ¶ And Iehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly, and he built in Iudah † castles and cities of store. † Or, palaces.

13 And he had much † businesse in the cities of Iudah: and the men of warre, mighty men of valour, *were* in Ierusalem.

14 And these *are* the numbers of them, according to the house of their fathers: of Iudah, the captaines of thousands, Adnah the chiefe, & with him mighty men of valour, three hundred thousand.

15 And † next to him *was* Iehohanan the captaine, and with him two hundred and fourescore thousand. † Hebr. his hand.

16 And next him was Amasiah the sonne of Zichri, who willingly offered himselfe vnto the LORD, and with him two hundred thousand mighty men of valour.

17 And of Beniamin, Eliada a mighty man of valour, and with him armed men with bow and shield two hundred thousand.

18 And next him was Iehozabad, and with him an hundred and fourescore thousand ready prepared for the warre.

19 These waited on the King, † beside those whom the King put in the fenced cities throughout all Iudah. † Hebr. from the hand.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Iehoshaphat ioyned in affinitie with Ahab is perswaded to goe with him against Ramoth Gilead. 4 Ahab seduced by false prophets, according to the word of Micaiah, is slaine there.

NOw Iehoshaphat had riches and honour in abundance, and ioyned affinity with Ahab.

2* And

2 And † after certaine yeeres he went downe to Ahab to Samaria: and Ahab killed sheep, and oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that he had with him, and perswaded him to goe vp with him to Ramoth-Gilead.

* 1 King. 22.2.
† Hebr. at the end of yeeres.

3 And Ahab King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat King of Iudah, Wilt thou goe with me to Ramoth Gilead? And he answered him, I am as thou art, and my people as thy people, and we will be with thee in the warre.

4 ¶ And Iehoshaphat said vnto the King of Israel, Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

5 Therefore the King of Israel gathered together of Prophets foure hundred men, and said vnto them, Shall we goe to Ramoth-Gilead to battell, or shall I forbeare? And they said, Goe vp, for God will deliuer it into the Kings hand.

6 But Iehoshaphat said, Is there not heere a Prophet of the LORD † besides, that we might enquire of him?

† Heb. yet or more.

7 And the King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat, There is yet one man, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him, for he neuer propheseth good vnto me, but alwayes euill: the same is Micaiah the sonne of Imla. And Iehoshaphat said, Let not the King say so.

8 And the King of Israel called for one of his ‖ officers, and said, † Fetch quickly Micaiah the sonne of Imla.

‖ Or, Eunuchs. † Hebr. hasten.

9 And the King of Israel, and Iehoshaphat King of Iudah sate, either of them on his throne, clothed in their robes, and they sate in a ‖ void place at the entring in of the gate of Samaria, and all the Prophets prophesied before them.

‖ Or, floore.

10 And Zedekiah the sonne of Chenaanah, had made him hornes of yron, and said, Thus saith the LORD, With these thou shalt push Syria, vntill † they be consumed.

† Hebr. thou consume them.

11 And all the Prophets prophesied so, saying, Goe vp to Ramoth-Gilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliuer it into the hand of the King.

12 And the messenger that went to call Micaiah, spake to him, saying, Behold, the words of the Prophets declare good to the King, † with one assent: let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like one of theirs, and speake thou good.

† Hebr. with one mouth

13 And Micaiah said, as the LORD liueth, euen what my God saith, that will I speake.

14 And when he was come to the King, the King said vnto him, Micaiah, shall we goe to Ramoth-Gilead to battell, or shall I forbeare? And hee said, Goe ye vp, and prosper, and they shall be deliuered into your hand.

15 And the King said to him, How many times shall I adiure thee, that thou say nothing but the truth to me, in the Name of the LORD?

16 Then he said, I did see all Israel scattered vpon the mountaines, as sheep that haue no shepherd: and the LORD said, These haue no master, let them returne therefore euery man to his house in peace.

17 (And the King of Israel said to Iehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee, that hee would not prophesie good vnto me, ‖ but euill?)

‖ Or, but for euill.

18 Againe, he said, Therefore heare the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting vpon his throne, and all the hoste of heauen standing on his right hand, and on his left.

19 And the LORD said, Who shall entice Ahab King of Israel, that he may goe vp, and fall at Ramoth-Gilead? And one spake, saying after this manner, and another saying after that manner.

20 Then there came out a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will entice him. And the LORD said vnto him, Wherewith?

21 And he said, I will goe out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And the LORD said, Thou shalt entice him, and thou shalt also preuaile: goe out, and doe even so.

22 Now therefore behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken euill against thee.

23 Then Zedekiah the sonne of Chenaanah came neere and smote Micaiah vpon the cheeke, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me, to speake vnto thee?

24 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see in that day when thou shalt goe into an inner chamber to hide thy selfe.

25 Then the King of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him backe vnto Amon the gouernour of the city, and to Ioash the Kings sonne:

26 And say, Thus saith the King, Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction, and with water of affliction, vntill I returne in peace.

27 And Micaiah said, If thou returne at all in peace, then hath not the LORD spoken by me. And he said, Hearken all ye people.

28 So the King of Israel and Iehoshaphat King of Iudah went vp to Ramoth-Gilead.

29 And the King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat, I will disguise my selfe, and will goe into the battell, but put thou on thy robes. So the King of Israel disguised himself, and they went into the battell.

30 Now the King of Syria had commanded the captaines of the charets that were with him, saying, Fight ye not with small or great, saue onely with the King of Israel.

31 And it came to passe when the captaines of the charets saw Iehoshaphat, that they said, It is the King of Israel: therefore they compassed about him to fight: But Iehoshaphat cried out, and the LORD helped him, and God moued them to depart from him.

32 For it came to passe that when the captaines of the charets perceiued that it was not the King of Israel, they turned backe againe from pursuing him.

33 And a certaine man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the King of Israel betweene the ioynts of the harnes: therefore he said vnto his charioteer, Turne thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host, for I am † wounded.

† Hebr. sick.

34 And the battell increased that day: howbeit the King of Israel stayed himself vp in his charet against the Syrians vntill the euening: and about the time of the Sunne going downe he died.

CHAP. XIX.

1 Iehoshaphat reproued by Iehu, 4 his kingdome: 5 His instructions to the Iudges and Leuites.

AND Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah returned to his house in peace to Ierusalem.

2 And Iehu the sonne of Hanani the Seer went out to meet him, and said to King Iehoshaphat, Shouldest thou helpe the wicked, and loue them that hate the LORD? therefore is wrath vpon thee from before the LORD.

3 Neuertheless, there are good things found in thee, in that thou hast taken away the groues out of the land, & hast prepared thine heart to seek God.

4 And Iehoshaphat dwelt at Ierusalem: and he went out againe through the people from Beer-sheba to mount Ephraim, and brought them backe vnto the LORD God of their fathers.

And beset iudges in the land throughout all
ed cities of Iudah, city by city,
nd said to the iudges, Take heed what yee
e ye iudge not for man, but for the LORD,
with you † in the iudgement.
Wherefore now let the feare of the LORD be
on, take heed, and doe it: for there is no
ity with the LORD our God, nor respect of
or taking of gifts.
Moreouer, in Ierusalem did Iehoshaphat set
Leuites, and of the Priests, and of the chiefe
fathers of Israel, for the iudgement of the
and for controuersies, when they returned to
em.
And he charged them, saying, Thus shall yee
this feare of the LORD faithfully, and with
ll heart.
And what cause soeuer shall come to you of
brethren that dwell in their cities, betweene
and blood, betweene Law and Commande-
ments and iudgements, ye shall euen warne
that they trespasse not against the LORD, and
h come vpon you, and vpon your brethren:
and ye shall not trespasse.
nd behold, Amariah the chiefe Priest is ouer
all matters of the LORD, and Zebadiah the
of Ismael, the Ruler of the house of Iudah,
the Kings matters: Also the Leuites shalbe
before you. † Deale courageously, and the
shall be with the good.

CHAP. XX.

Iehoshaphat in his feare proclaimeth a fast. 5 For 14 The prophecy of Iahaziel. 20 Iehoshaphat with the people, and certeth singers to the Lord. 22 The great ouerthrow of the enemies. The people hauing blessed God at Berachah in triumph. 31 Iehoshaphats reigne. 35 Iehoshaphat ioyneth with Ahaziah in making of ships, which hee made with Ahaziah according to the prophecy of Eliezer, vnhappily.

e to passe after this also, that the children
ab and the children of Ammon, and with
m beside the Ammonites, came against Ie-
to battell.
n there came some that told Iehoshaphat,
There commeth a great multitude against
beyond the sea on this side Syria, and be-
ld, in Hazazon-Tamar, which is Engedi.
Iehoshaphat feared, and set † himselfe to
LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout
h.
d Iudah gathered themselues together, to
ek of the LORD: euen out of all the cities
they came to seeke the LORD.
nd Iehoshaphat stood in the Congregati-
dah and Ierusalem, in the house of the
before the new Court,
d said, O LORD God of our fathers, Art
God in heauen? and rulest not thou ouer
kingdomes of the heathen? and in thine
re not power and might, so that none is
withstand thee?
not thou our God, who didst drive out the
ts of this land before thy people Israel,
it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for euer?
they dwelt therein, and haue built thee a
therein for thy Name, saying,
hen tuill commeth vpon vs, as the sword,
ent, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before
and in thy presence (for thy Name is in
) and cry vnto thee in our affliction then
ou hear and helpe.

10 And now behold the children of Ammon and Moab, and mount Seir, whom thou * wouldest not let Israel inuade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not; * Deut. 2.9.

11 Behold, I say, how they reward vs, to come to cast vs out of thy possession, which thou hast giuen vs to inherite.

12 O our God, wilt thou not iudge them? for we haue no might against this great company that commeth against vs: neither know we what to doe; but our eyes are vpon thee.

13 And all Iudah stood before the LORD with their little ones their wiues and their children.

14 ¶ Then vpon Iahaziel the son of Zechariah, the sonne of Benaiah, the sonne of Iehiel, the sonne of Mattaniah, a Leuite of the sonnes of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the Congregation.

15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Iudah, and ye inhabitants of Ierusalem, and thou king Iehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD vnto you, Be not afraid, nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude, for the battell is not yours, but Gods.

16 To morrow goe ye downe against them: behold, they come vp by the † clife of Ziz, and ye shall find them at the end of the † brooke, before the wildernesse of Iruel

† Heb. ascent. † Or, valley.

17 Ye shall not needs to fight in this battell, set your selues, stand ye still, and see the saluation of the LORD with you, O Iudah and Ierusalem: feare not, nor be dismayed, to morrow goe out against them, for the LORD will be with you.

18 And Iehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground: and all Iudah, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem fell before the LORD, worshiping the LORD.

19 And the Leuites of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood vp to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high.

20 ¶ And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wildernesse of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Iehoshaphat stood, and said, Heare me, O Iudah, and ye inhabitants of Ierusalem. Beleeue in the LORD your God, so shall you be established; beleeue his Prophets, so shall ye prosper. Isa. 7.9.

21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers vnto the LORD, and † that should praise the beauty of holinesse, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD, for his mercy endureth for euer.

† Hebr. praisers.

22 ¶ † And when they began † to sing, and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Iudah, and they were smitten.

† Hebr. And in the time that they &c. † Heb. in singing & praise

23 For the children of Ammon and Moab stood vp against the inhabitants of mount Seir, vtterly to slay and destroy them: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, euery one helped † to destroy another.

Or, they smote one another.

24 And when Iudah came toward the watchtower in the wildernes they looked vnto the multitude: † and behold, they were dead bodies fallen to the earth, and † none escaped.

† Hebr. for the destruction.

25 And when Iehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoile of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious Iewels (which they stript off for * them themselues) more then they could carry away: and * escaping, they were three dayes in gathering of the spoile, it was so much.

† Hebr. there was not an

26 ¶ And

26 ¶ And on the fourth day they assembled themselues in the valley of ‖ Berachah; for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah vnto this day.

‖ *That is, Blessing.*

27 Then they returned euery man of Iudah and Ierusalem, & Iehoshaphat in the † forefront of them to goe againe to Ierusalem with ioy: for the LORD had made them to reioyce ouer their enemies.

† *Hebr. head.*

28 And they came to Ierusalem with Psalteries, and Harpes, and Trumpets, vnto the house of the LORD.

29 And the feare of God was on all the Kingdomes of *those* countreys, when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel.

30 So the realme of Iehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gaue him rest round about.

* 1. Kings 22.41, &c.

31 ¶ * And Iehoshaphat reigned ouer Iudah: he *was* thirty and fiue yeeres old when hee began to reigne, and he reigned twenty and fiue yeeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name *was* Azubah, the daughter of Shilhi.

32 And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not from it, doing that which *was* right in the sight of the LORD.

33 Howbeit, the high places were not taken away: for as yet the people had not prepared their hearts vnto the God of their fathers.

34 Now the rest of the acts of Iehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they are written in the † booke of Iehu the sonne of Hanani; * who † is mentioned in the booke of the Kings of Israel.

† *Hebr. words.*

* 1. Kings 16.1.

35 ¶ And after this did Iehoshaphat King of Iudah ioyne himselfe with Ahaziah King of Israel, who did very wickedly:

† *Hebr. was made to ascend.*

36 And he ioyned himselfe with him to make ships to goe to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Ezion-Geber.

37 Then Eliezer the sonne of Dodauah of Mareshah prophesied against Iehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast ioyned thy selfe with Ahaziah, the LORD hath broken thy works: and the ships were broken that they were not able to goe to Tarshish.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Iehoram succeeding Iehoshaphat slayeth his brethren. 5 His wicked reigne. 8 Edom and Libnah reuolt. 12 The prophecy of Eliyah against him in writing. 16 Philistines and Arabians oppresse him. 18 His incurable disease infamous death & burial.

* 1. Kings 22.50.

NOw * Iehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers, in the city of Dauid: and Iehoram his sonne reigned in his stead.

2 And he *had* brethren the sonnes of Iehoshaphat, Azariah, and Iehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: All these *were* the sonnes of Iehoshaphat King of Israel.

3 And their father gaue them great gifts of siluer, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Iudah: but the Kingdome gaue he to Iehoram, because he *was* the first borne.

* 2. Kings 8.16, 17.

4 Now * when Iehoram was risen vp to the kingdome of his father, he strengthened himselfe, and slew all his brethren with the sword, and *diuers* also of the Princes of Israel.

5 ¶ Iehoram *was* thirty and two yeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned eight yeeres in Ierusalem.

6 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of * Ahab to wife: and he wrought that which *was* euill in the eyes of the LORD.

* *Chap. 22.*

7 Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of Dauid, because of the Couenant that he had made with Dauid, and as he promised to giue a ‖ light to him, and to his * sons for euer.

‖ *Or, lampe.*

8 ¶ In his dayes the Edomites reuolted from vnder the † dominion of Iudah, and made themselues a King.

† *Hebr. hand.*

9 Then Iehoram * went forth with his princes, and all his charets with him: and he arose by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him in, and the captaines of the charets.

10 So the Edomites reuolted from vnder the hand of Iudah vnto this day. The same time did Libnah reuolt from vnder his hand, because he had forsaken the LORD God of his fathers.

11 Moreouer, he made high places in the mountaines of Iudah, and caused the inhabitants of Ierusalem to commit fornication, and compelled Iudah *thereto*.

12 ¶ And there came a writing to him from Eliiah the Prophet, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Dauid thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the wayes of Iehoshaphat thy father, nor in the wayes of Asa king of Iudah:

13 But hast walked in the way of the Kings of Israel, and hast made Iudah and the inhabitants of Ierusalem to goe a whoring, like to the whoredomes of the house of Ahab, and also hast slaine thy brethren of thy fathers house, which were better then thy selfe:

14 Behold, with a † great plague will the LORD smite thy people, and thy children, and thy wiues, and all thy goods.

† *Hebr. wound.*

15 And thou *shalt haue* great sicknesse by disease of thy bowels, vntill thy bowels fall out by reason of the sicknesse day by day.

16 ¶ Moreouer the LORD stirred vp against Iehoram, the spirit of the Philistines, and of the Arabians, that *were* neere the Ethiopians.

17 And they came vp into Iudah, and brake into it, & † caried away all the substance that was found in the Kings house, and his sonnes also, and his wiues: so that there was neuer a sonne left him, saue Iehoahaz, the yongest of his sonnes.

† *Hebr. caried.*

18 ¶ And after all this, the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease.

19 And it came to passe that in processe of time, after the end of two yeeres, his bowels fell out by reason of his sickenes: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers.

20 Thirty and two yeeres old was he when he began to reigne, and he reigned in Ierusalem eight yeeres, and departed † without being desired: howbeit they buried him in the city of Dauid, but not in the sepulchres of the Kings.

† *Hebr. and he went.*

CHAP. XXII.

1 Ahaziah succeedeth, reigneth wickedly, his confederacy with Ioram the sonne of Ahab. 5 He is slaine by Iehu. 10 Athaliah doth cruelly all the royall seed saue Ioash, whom Iehoshabeath hideth. 11 She vsurpeth the kingdome.

AND the inhabitants of Ierusalem made Ahaziah his yongest sonne King in his stead: for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the campe, had slaine all the * eldest. So Ahaziah the sonne of Iehoram King of Iudah reigned.

* *Or, troupe.*

2 Forty and two yeres old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reigne, and he reigned one yeere in Ierusalem: his mothers name also was * Athaliah the daughter of Omri.

* *Or, Gotholiah.*

3 He also walked in the † waies of the house of Ahab: for his mother was his counsellor to do wickedly.

† *Hebr. counsels.*

Wherefore hee did euill in the sight of the like the house of Ahab: for they were his ellers after the death of his father, to his de-

Hee walked also after their counsell, and with Iehoram the sonne of Ahab King of Is- warre against Hazael King of Syria, at Ra- Gilead: and the Syrians smote Ioram and he returned to be healed in Iezreel; be- of the wounds † which were giuen him at , when hee fought with Hazael King of Sy- and ‖ Azariah the son of Iehoram King of Iu- went downe to see Iehoram the son of Ahab at l, because he was sicke.

And the destruction of Ahaziah was of God, coming to Ioram: for when hee was come, he out with Iehoram against Iehu the sonne of i, whom the LORD had anointed to cut off use of Ahab.

And it came to passe, that when Iehu was exe- iudgement vpon the house of Ahab, and the Princes of Iudah, and the sonnes of the en of Ahaziah, that ministred to Ahaziah, he em.

And he sought Ahaziah: & they caught him, e was hid in Samaria) & brought him to Ie- when they had slaine him, they buried him: said they, he *is* the son of Iehoshaphat, who ‖ LORD with all his heart. So the house of ah *had* no power to keepe still the kingdom.

But when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah her son was dead, she arose, and destroyed ed royall of the house of Iudah.

But Iehoshabeath the daughter of the King, Ioash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from the Kings sons that were slaine, and put him e nurse in a bed-chamber. So Iehoshabeath ughter of King Iehoram, the wife of Iehoia- Priest (for shee was the sister of Ahaziah) from Athaliah, so that she slew him not.

And he was with them hid in the house of God ren: and Athaliah reigned ouer the land.

CHAP. XXIII.

Ioiada hauing set things in order, maketh Ioas. 12 Athaliah is slaine. 16 Ioiada is the worship of God.

And in the seuenth yeere Iehoiada strengthe- of himselfe, and tooke the captaines of hun- Azariah the son of Ieroham, and Ishmael the Iehohanan, and Azariah the ſonne of Obed, Maaſeiah the ſon of Adaiah, and Eliſhaphat the of Zichri, into couenant with him.

And they went about in Iudah, & gathered the out of all the cities of Iudah, & the chiefe fathers of Israel, and they came to Ieruſalem.

And all the Congregation made a Couenant e King in the house of God: and he ſaid vn- Behold, the Kings ſon ſhall reigne, as the hath ſaid of the ſonnes of Dauid.

This is the thing that yee ſhall doe. A third you entring on the Sabbath, of the Priests, the Leuites *ſhall be* porters of the † doores.

And a third part ſhalbe at the Kings houſe, & part at the gate of the foundation: & all the people *ſhalbe* in ‖ courts of the house of the LORD.

But let none come into ‖ houſe of the LORD, but Priests, and they that miniſter of the Le- they ſhall goe in, for they *are* holy: but all people ſhall keepe the watch of the LORD.

And the Leuites ſhal compaſſe the King round- every man with his weapons in his hand, and whoſoeuer elſe commeth into the houſe, he ſhall be put to death: but bee you with the King when hee commeth in, and when he goeth out.

8 So the Leuites and all Iudah did according to all things that Iehoiada the Priest had commanded: and tooke euery man his men that were to come in on the Sabbath, with them that were to go out on the Sabbath: for Iehoiada the Priest diſmiſſed not the courſes.

9 Moreouer, Iehoiada the Priest deliuered to the captaines of hundreds, ſpeares, and bucklers, and ſhields, that had beene King Dauids, which *were* in the house of God.

10 And he set all the people (euery man hauing his weapon in his hand) from the right † ſide of the ‖ Temple to the left ſide of the Temple along by the Altar & the Temple, by the King round about. † *Hebr.* *ſhoulder.* † *Hebr.* *house.*

11 Then they brought out the King ſon, and put vpon him the crowne and * *gaue him* the Teſtimony, and made him King: and Iehoiada and his ſons anointed him, and ſaid, † God ſaue the King. * Deut. 17.18. † *Heb. Let the King liue.*

12 ¶ Now when Athaliah heard the noiſe of the people running and praiſing the King, ſhe came to the people into the house of the LORD.

13 And ſhee looked, and behold, the King ſtood at his pillar at the entring in, and the Princes, and the trumpets by the King; and all the people of the land reioyced and ſounded with trumpets; alſo the ſingers with inſtruments of muſicke, and ſuch as taught to ſing praiſe. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and ſaid, † Treaſon, treaſon. † *Heb. conſpiracy.*

14 Then Iehoiada the Priest brought out the captaines of hundreds that were ſet ouer the hoſte, and ſaid vnto them, Haue her forth of the ranges: and whoſo followeth her, let him be ſlaine with the ſword. For the Priest ſaid, Slay her not in the house of the LORD.

15 So they laid hands on her: and when ſhe was come to the entring of the horſe gate, by the Kings houſe, they ſlew her there.

16 ¶ And Iehoiada made a Couenant betweene him, and betweene all the people, and betweene the King, that they ſhould be the LORDS people.

17 Then all the people went to the house of Baal, and brake it downe, and brake his altars and his images in pieces, and ſlew * Mattan the Priest of Baal before the altars. * Deut. 13.9.

18 Alſo Iehoiada appointed † offices of the house of the LORD by † hand of the Priests the Leuites, whom Dauid had * diſtributed in the house of the LORD, to offer the burnt offering of the LORD, as it is written in the * law of Moſes, with reioycing and with ſinging, *as it was ordained* † by Dauid. * 1. Chron. 24.1. * Num. 28.2. † *Heb. by the hand of Dauid.*

19 And hee ſet the * porters at the gates of the house of the LORD, that none which was vncleane in any thing, ſhould enter in. * 1. Chron. 26.1, &c. † *Heb.*

20 And he tooke the captaines of hundreds, and the nobles, and the gouernours of the people, and all the people of the land, and brought downe the King from the house of the LORD: and they came thorow the high gate into the Kings houſe, and ſet the King vpon the throne of the kingdome.

21 And all the people of the land reioyced, and the city was quiet, after that they had ſlaine Athaliah with the ſword.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Ioash reigneth well all the dayes of Iehoiada. 4 Hee giueth order for the repaire of the Temple. 15 Iehoiada his death, and honourable buriall. 17 Ioash falling to Idolatry, ſlayeth Zechariah the ſon of Iehoiada. 23 Ioash is ſpoiled by the Syrians, and ſlaine by Zabad and Iehozabad. 27 Amaziah ſucceedeth him.

Ioash

2.Kings 12.1,&c. IOash was seuen yeeres old when hee began to reigne; & he reigned forty yeres in Ierusalem: his mothers name also was Zibiah of Beersheba.

2 And Ioash did that which was right in ſ sight of the LORD all the dayes of Iehoiada the Priest.

3 And Iehoiada tooke for him two wiues, and he begate sonnes and daughters.

† Hebr. to renew. 4 ¶ And it came to passe after this, that Ioash was minded † to repaire the house of the LORD.

5 And he gathered together the Priests and the Leuites, and said to them, Goe out vnto the cities of Iudah, and gather of all Israel money to repaire the house of your God from yeere to yeere, and see that yee haste the matter: howbeit, the Leuites hastened it not.

6 And the King called for Iehoiada the chiefe, and said vnto him, Why hast thou not required of the Leuites to bring in out of Iudah, and out of Ierusalem the collection, *according to the commandement* of *Moses the seruant of the LORD, and of the Congregation of Israel, for the Tabernacle of Witnesse?

*Exod. 30.12, 38,14.

7 For the sons of Athaliah that wicked woman had broken vp the house of God, and also all the dedicate things of the house of the LORD, did they bestow vpon Baalim.

8 And at the Kings commandement they made a chest, and set it without at the gate of the house of the LORD.

† Hebr. a voyce. 9 And they made † a proclamation thorow Iudah and Ierusalem, to bring in to the LORD the collection that Moses the seruant of God laid vpon Israel in the wildernesse.

10 And all the Princes, and all the people reioyced, and brought in, and cast into the chest, vntill they had made an end.

11 Now it came to passe, that at what time the chest was brought vnto the Kings office, by the hand of the Leuites: and when they saw that *there* was much money: the Kings Scribe, and the high Priests officer came, & emptied the chest, and tooke it, and caried it to his place againe. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.

12 And the King and Iehoiada gaue it to such as did the worke of the seruice of the house of the LORD, and hired masons and carpenters to repaire the house of the LORD, and also such as wrought yron and brasse, to mend the house of the LORD.

‡ Heb. she healing went vp vpon the worke. 13 So the workemen wrought, and † the worke was perfected by them: and they set the house of God in his state, and strengthened it.

14 And when they had finished *it*, they brought the rest of the money before the King and Iehoiada, whereof were made vessels for the house of the LORD, euen vessels to minister, and to offer withall, and spoones, and vessels of gold and siluer: and they offered burnt offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the dayes of Iehoiada.

15 ¶ But Iehoiada waxed old, and was full of dayes when he died: an hundred and thirty yeeres old *was he* when he died.

16 And they buried him in the citie of Dauid among the Kings, because he had done good in Israel, both towards God, and towards his house.

17 Now after the death of Iehoiada, came the Princes of Iudah, and made obeisance to the King: then the King hearkened vnto them.

18 And they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers, and serued groues and idoles: and wrath came vpon Iudah and Ierusalem for this their trespasse.

19 Yet hee sent Prophets to them, to bring them againe vnto the LORD, and they testified against them: but they would not giue eare.

20 And the spirit of God came vpon Zachariah the sonne of Iehoiada the Priest, which stood aboue the people, and said vnto them; Thus saith God, Why transgresse yee the Commandements of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye haue forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.

21 And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones, at the commandement of the King in the court of the house of the LORD.

22 Thus Ioash the king remembred not the kindnesse which Iehoiada his father had done to him, but slew his sonne: and when he died, he said, The LORD looke vpon it, and require it.

23 ¶ And it came to passe, † at the end of the yeere, that the hoste of Syria came vp against him: and they came to Iudah and Ierusalem, and destroyed all the Princes of the people from among the people, and sent all the spoile of them vnto the King of † Damascus.

24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the LORD deliuered a very great hoste into their hand, because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers: so they executed iudgement against Ioash.

25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases) his owne seruants conspired against him, for the blood of the sonnes of Iehoiada the Priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: & they buried him in the citie of Dauid, but they buried him not in the sepulchres of the Kings.

26 And these are they that conspired against him, Zabad the sonne of Shimeath an Ammonitesse, and Iehozabad the sonne of Shimrith a Moabitesse.

27 ¶ Now concerning his sonnes, and the greatnesse of the burdens laid vpon him, and the repairing of the house of God, behold they are written in the storie of the booke of the Kings. And Amaziah his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXV.

1 Amaziah beginneth to reigne well: 3 executeth iustice on the Traitors: 5 Hireth an army of Israelites against the Edomites, 7 by the word of a Prophet hee looseth the hundred talents, and dismisseth them: 11 He ouerthroweth the Edomites: 13 The Israelites, discontented at their dismission, spoile as they returne home. 14 Amaziah hauing slaine the gods of Edom, and despiseth the Admonitions of the Prophet, 17 Hee prouoketh Ioash to warre, 20 and is ouercome. 23 Ioash taketh Amaziah prisoner. 27 He is slaine by conspiracy.

AMaziah* was twenty and fiue yeeres old when he began to reigne, and hee reigned nine and twenty yeres in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Iehoaddan of Ierusalem.

2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, but not with a perfect heart.

3 ¶ Now it came to passe, when the kingdome was † established to him, that he slew his seruants that had killed the King his father.

4 But he slew not their children, but did as it is written in the Law, in the booke of Moses, where the LORD commanded, saying, * The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers; but euery man shall die for his owne sinne.

5 ¶ Moreouer, Amaziah gathered Iudah together, and made them captaines ouer thousands, and captaines ouer hundreds, according to the houses of their fathers, throughout all Iudah and Beniamin. And he numbred them from twenty yeeres

and found then three hundred thousand
ten, able to goe forth to warre, that could
pear and shield.
ch red also an hundred thousand mighty
alour out of Israel, for an hundred talents
ver.

there came a man of God to him, saying,
let not the army of Israel goe with thee:
LORD is not with Israel, to wit, with all the
of Ephraim.
if thou wilt goe, doe it, be strong for the
God shall make thee fall before the enemy:
hath power to help, and to cast downe.
Amaziah said vnto the man of God, But
all we doe for the hundred talents which
gen to the † army of Israel? And the man
swered, The LORD is able to give thee
re then this.
en Amaziah separated them, to wit, the ar-
was come to him out of Ephraim, to goe
gaine. Wherefore their anger was great-
kindled against Iudah, and they returned home
e anger.
nd Amaziah strengthened himselfe, and
his people, and went to the valley of salt,
te of the children of Seir ten thousand.
d other ten thousand left aliue, did the
of Iudah carry away captiue, and brought
m the top of the rocke, and cast them downe
top of the rocke, that they all were bro-
eces.
t the † souldiers of the army which A-
ent backe, that they should not goe with
attell, fell vpon the cities of Iudah, from
uen vnto Beth-horon, and smote three
of them, and tooke much spoile.
ow it came to passe, after that Amaziah
e from the slaughter of the Edomites, that
t the gods of the children of Seir, and set
to be his gods, and bowed downe himselfe
em, and burned incense vnto them.
erefore the anger of the LORD was kindled
Amaziah, and he sent vnto him a Pro-
h said vnto him, Why hast thou sought
gods of the people, which could not deli-
owne people out of thine hand?
it came to passe as he talked with him,
ing said vnto him, Art thou made of the
uell counsell? forbeare: why shouldest thou be
Then the Prophet forbare, and said, I
God hath † determined to destroy thee,
use thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened
counsell.
en Amaziah King of Iudah tooke aduice,
sent to Ioash the sonne of Iehoahaz the sonne
ng of Israel, saying, Come, let vs see one
the face.
Ioash King of Israel sent to Amaziah
ah, saying, The ‖ thistle that was in
anon sent to the Cedar that was in Lebanon,
ying, Giue thy daughter to my son to wife: and
ere passed by a † wild beast that was in Lebanon,
trode the thistle.
ou hast indeed smitten the Edomites, and thine heart lifteth thee vp to boast. Abide now at home, why should'st thou meddle to thine hurt, that thou should'st fall, euen thou, and Iudah?
But Amaziah would not heare: for it came of God, that he might deliuer them into the hand of their enemies, because they sought after the gods of Edom.

21 So Ioash the King of Israel went vp, and they saw one another in the face, both he and Amaziah King of Iudah at Beth-shemesh, which belongeth to Iudah.

22 And Iudah was † put to the worse before Israel, and they fled euery man to his tent.

23 And Ioash the King of Israel tooke Amaziah King of Iudah, the sonne of Ioash, the sonne of Iehoahaz at Beth-shemesh, and brought him to Ierusalem, and brake downe the wall of Ierusalem, from the gate of Ephraim vnto † the corner gate, foure hundred cubites.

24 And he tooke all the gold and the siluer, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obed-edom, and the treasures of the Kings house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria.

25 ¶ And Amaziah the sonne of Ioash King of Iudah liued after the death of Ioash sonne of Iehoahaz King of Israel fifteene yeeres.

26 Now the rest of the Acts of Amaziah first and last, behold, are they not written in the booke of the Kings of Iudah and Israel?

27 ¶ Now after the time that Amaziah did turne away † from following the LORD, they made a conspiracy against him in Ierusalem, and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there.

28 And they brought him vpon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of ‖ Iudah.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 *Vzziah succeeding and reigning well in the feare of God, Zechariah prospereth.* 16 *Waxing proud he inuadeth the Priests office, and is smitten with leprosie.* 21 *He dieth, and Iotham succeedeth him.*

1 Then all the people of Iudah † tooke ‖ Vzziah, who was sixteene yeeres old, and made him King in the roome of his father Amaziah.

2 He built Eloth, and restored it to Iudah: after that the King slept with his fathers.

3 Sixteene yeeres old was Vzziah when he began to reigne, and he reigned fifty and two yeeres in Ierusalem: his mothers name also was Iecoliah of Ierusalem.

4 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah did.

5 And he sought God in the dayes of Zechariah, who had vnderstanding † in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper.

6 And he went forth and warred against the Philistines, and brake downe the wall of Gath, and the wall of Iabneh, and the wall of Ashdod, and built cities ‖ about Ashdod, and among the Philistines.

7 And God helped him against the Philistines, and against the Arabians that dwelt in Gur-baal, and the Mehunims.

8 And the Ammonites gaue gifts to Vzziah, and his name † spread abroad euen to the entring in of Egypt, for he strengthened himselfe exceedingly.

9 Moreouer, Vzziah built towers in Ierusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning of the wall, and ‖ fortified them.

10 Also he built towers in the desart, and digged many wels, for he had much cattell, both in the low countrey, and in the plaines: husbandmen also, and vine-dressers in the mountaines, and in ‖ Carmel: for he loued † husbandry.

11 Moreouer, Vzziah had an hoste of fighting men, that went out to warre by bands, according to the number of their account: by the hand of † Ieiel the Scribe, and Maaseiah the Ruler vnder the

† Hebr. smitten.

† Heb. the gate of the corner. 2 King. 14.13. 2 Chron. 25.23. 2 Chron. 25.24. † Hebr. from after. † Hebr. compared to the dayes of Dauid, vnto it. 2 Kings 14.20.

‖ That is, the city of Dauid. 2 Kings 14.20.

2 Kings 14.21. & 15.1. ‖ Or, Azariah.

† Hebr. the seeing of God.

‖ Or, in the countrey of Asshodod.

† Hebr. went.

‖ Or, repaired. ‖ Or, cut many cisternes.

‖ Or, husbandmen of fields. † Hebr. by the hand of.

hand of Hanniah, one of the Kings captaines.

13 The whole number of the chiefe of the fathers of the mighty men of valour, were two thousand and sixe hundred.

† Heb. the power of an army. 13 And vnder their hand was † an army, three hundred thousand, and seuen thousand and fiue hundred that made warre with mighty power to helpe the King against the enemy.

14 And Vzziah prepared for them throughout all the host, shields, and speares, and helmets, and habergions, and bowes, and † slings to cast stones.

† Hebr. Stones of slings. 15 And he made in Ierusalem engines, inuented by cunning men to be on the towres, and vpon the bulwarks, to shoot arrowes and great stones withall: and his name † spread farre abroad, for he was marueilously helped, till he was strong.

† Hebr. went forth. 16 ¶ But when he was strong, his heart was lifted vp to his destruction: for hee transgressed against the LORD his God, and went into the Temple of the LORD, to burne incense vpon the Altar of incense.

17 And Azariah the Priest went in after him, and with him fourescore Priests of the LORD, that were valiant men.

18 And they withstood Vzziah the King, and said vnto him, It * pertaineth not vnto thee, Vzziah to burne incense vnto the LORD, but to the * Priests the sonnes of Aaron, that are consecrated to burne incense. Goe out of the Sanctuary: for thou hast trespassed, neither shall it be for thine honour from the LORD God.

* Numb. 18.7. * Exod. 30.7.

19 Then Vzziah was wroth, and had a censer in his hand to burne incense, and while he was wroth with the Priests, the leprosie euen rose vp in his forehead before the Priests in the house of the LORD, from beside the incense Altar.

20 And Azariah the chiefe Priest, and all the Priests looked vpon him, and behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out from thence, yea himselfe * hasted also to goe out, because the LORD had smitten him.

* As Est. 6.12.

21 * And Vzziah the King was a leper vnto the day of his death, and dwelt in a * † seuerall house being a leper, for he was cut off from the house of the LORD, and Iotham his son was ouer the Kings house iudging the people of the land.

* 2. Kings 15.5. * Lenit. 13.46. † Hebr. Free.

22 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Vzziah, first and last, did Iesaiah the Prophet the son of Amoz write.

23 So Vzziah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers, in the field of the burial which belonged to the Kings: for they said, He is a leper: and Iotham his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 Iotham reigning well prospereth. 5 He subdueth the Ammonites. 7 His reigne. 9 Ahaz succeedeth him.

IOtham * was twenty and fiue yeeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned sixteene yeeres in Ierusalem: his mothers name also was Ierushah the daughter of Zadok.

* 2. Kings 15.32.

2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Vzziah did: howbeit, he entred not into the Temple of the LORD. And the people did yet corruptly.

3 He built the hie gate of the house of the LORD and on the wall of † Ophel he built much.

† Or, the wall.

4 Moreouer, he built cities in the mountaines of Iudah, and in the forrests he built castels and towers.

5 ¶ He fought also with the King of the Ammonites, and preuailed against them. And the children of Ammon gaue him the same yeere an hundred talents of siluer, and ten thousand measures of wheate, and ten thousand of barley. So much did the children of Ammon pay vnto him the second yeere and the third.

6 So Iotham became mighty, because he prepared his wayes before the LORD his God.

7 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Iotham, and all his warres, and his wayes, lo they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and Iudah.

8 Hee was fiue and twenty yeeres old when he began to reigne, and reigned sixteene yeeres in Ierusalem.

9 ¶ And Iotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of Dauid: and Ahaz his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 Ahaz reigning very wickedly, is preuailed against by the Syrians. 6 Pekah being captaine of the Israelites, is sent home by the counsell of the Prophet. 16 Ahaz seeking for ayde of Assyria, is not helped thereby. 22 In his affliction he groweth more idolatrous. 26 He dying, Hezekiah succeedeth him.

AHaz * was twenty yeeres old when he began to reigne, and hee reigned sixteene yeeres in Ierusalem, but hee did not that which was right in the sight of the LORD, like Dauid his father:

2 For hee walked in the wayes of the Kings of Israel, and made also molten images for Baalim.

3 Moreouer, hee † burnt incense in the valley of the sonne of Hinnom, and burnt * his children in the fire, after the abominations of the heathen whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.

4 He sacrificed also, and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hilles, and vnder euery greene tree.

5 Wherefore the LORD his God deliuered him into the hand of the King of Syria, and they smote him, and carried away a great multitude of them captiues, and brought them to Damascus. And he was also deliuered into the hand of the King of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter.

6 ¶ For Pekah the sonne of Remaliah slew in Iudah an hundred and twenty thousand in one day, which were all † valiant men: because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers.

7 And Zichri a mighty man of Ephraim slew Maaseiah the Kings sonne, and Azrikam the gouernour of the house, and Elkanah that was next to the King.

8 And the children of Israel caried away captiue of their brethren, two hundred thousand, women, sons, & daughters, and tooke also away much spoile from them, and brought the spoile to Samaria.

9 But a Prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded: and he went out before the hoste that came to Samaria, and said vnto them, Behold, because the LORD God of your fathers was wroth with Iudah, he hath deliuered them into your hand, and yee haue slaine them in a rage that reached vp vnto heauen.

10 And now ye purpose to keepe vnder the children of Iudah and Ierusalem for bondmen and bondwomen vnto you: But are there not euen with you, sinnes against the LORD your God?

11 Now heare me therefore, and deliuer the captiues again, which yee haue taken captiue of your brethren: for the fierce wrath of God is vpon you.

12 Then certaine of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah the sonne of Iohanan, Berechiah the sonne of Meshillemoth, and Iehizkiah the sonne of Shallum, and Amasa the sonne of Hadlai, stood vp against them that came from the warre,

3 And said vnto them, Ye shall now bring in the
ptiues hither: for whereas wee haue offended a-
inst the LORD *already*, ye intend to adde more to
r sinnes, and to our trespasse: for our trespasse is
rge, *and there is* fierce wrath against Israel.
4 So the armed men left the captiues, and the
ile before the Princes, and all the congregation.
15 And the men which were expressed by name,
se vp, and tooke the captiues, and with the spoile
othed all that were naked among them, and aray-
them, and shod them, and gaue them to eat and
drinke, and anointed them, and carried all the
ble of them vpon asses, and brought them to Ie-
ho, *the city of palme trees to their brethren:
n they returned to Samaria.
16 ¶ At that time did king Ahaz send vnto the
gs of Assyria to helpe him.
17 For againe the Edomites had come and smit-
Iudah, and carried away † captiues.
18 The Philistines also had inuaded the cities
the low countrey, and of the South of Iudah, and
taken Beth-shemesh, and Aialon, and Gederoth
Shocho, with the villages thereof, and Timnah
th the villages thereof, Gimzo also, and the vil-
s thereof: and they dwelt there.
19 For the LORD brought Iudah low, because
Ahaz king of Israel, for hee made Iudah naked,
transgressed sore against the LORD.
20 And Tilgath-Pilneser King of Assyria came
o him, and distressed him, but strengthened
not.
21 For Ahaz tooke away a portion out of the
se of the LORD, and out of the house of the
g, and of the Princes, and gaue it vnto the king
Assyria: but he helped him not.
22 ¶ And in the time of this distresse, did he tres-
yet more against the LORD. This *is* that king
Ahaz.
23 For he sacrificed vnto the Gods of †Damascus
ch smote him: and he said, Because the Gods of
ings of Syria helpe them, therefore will I sa-
ifice to them, that they may helpe me: but they
e the ruine of him, and of all Israel.
24 And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the
se of God, and cut in pieces the vessels of the
se of God, and shut vp the doores of the house
the LORD, and he made him altars in euery cor-
r of Ierusalem.
25 And in euery seuerall city of Iudah he made
h places to ‖ burne incense vnto other Gods, and
oked to anger the LORD God of his fathers.
26 ¶ Now the rest of his acts, and of all his
ys, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the
ke of the kings of Iudah and Israel.
27 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they bu-
him in the city, euen in Ierusalem: but they
ght him not into the sepulchres of the Kings
Israel: & Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXIX.

*Hezekiah his good reigne. 3 He restoreth Reli-
gion. 4 He exhorteth the Leuites. 12 They sanctifie
themselues, and cleanse the house of God. 20 He
offereth solemne sacrifices, wherein the Le-
uites serue forward then the Priests.*

1 Hezekiah * began to reigne, when he *was* fiue
and twenty yeres old, & he reigned nine and
twenty yeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name
was Abijah the daughter of Zechariah.
2 And hee did that which *was* right in the
sight of the LORD, according to all that Dauid his
father had done.
3 He in the first yeere of his reigne, in the
first moneth opened the doores of the house of the
LORD, and repaired them.
4 And he brought in the Priests and the Leuites,
and gathered them together into the East street,
5 And said vnto them, Heare me, ye Leuites, sanctifie
now your selues, and sanctifie the house of the
LORD God of your fathers, and carry foorth the
filthinesse out of the Holy place.
6 For our fathers haue trespassed, and done that
which *was* euill in the eyes of the LORD our God,
and haue forsaken him, and haue turned away their
faces from the habitation of the LORD, and † turned
their backes. † *Heb.* *giuen the backe.*
7 Also they haue shut vp the doores of the porch,
and put out the lampes, and haue not burnt in-
cense, nor offered burnt offerings in the Holy place
vnto the God of Israel.
8 Wherefore the wrath of the LORD was vpon
Iudah and Ierusalem, and he hath deliuered them
to † trouble, to astonishment, and to hissing as yee † *Heb.* *commo-*
see with your eyes. *tion.*
9 For loe, our fathers haue fallen by the sword,
and our sonnes and our daughters, and our wiues
are in captiuity for this.
10 Now *it is* in mine heart to make a Couenant
with the LORD God of Israel, that his fierce
wrath may turne away from vs.
11 My sonnes ‖ bee not now negligent: for the ‖ *Or, be*
LORD hath * chosen you to stand before him, to *not now*
serue him, and that you should minister vnto him, *deceiued.*
and ‖ burne incense. * *Numb.*
12 ¶ Then the Leuites arose, Mahath the sonne of 8.14. and
Amasai, and Ioel the sonne of Azariah, of the sons 18.2.6.
of the Kohathites: and of the sonnes of Merari, ‖ *Or, offer*
Kish the sonne of Abdi, and Azariah the sonne of *sacrifice.*
Iahalelel: and of the Gershonites, Ioah the son of
Zimmah and Eden the sonne of Ioah:
13 And of the sons of Elizaphan Shimri, and Ie-
hiel: and of the sons of Asaph, Zechariah, and
Mattaniah:
14 And of the sonnes of Heman, Iehiel, and Shi-
mei: and of the sonnes of Ieduthun, Shemaiah, and
Vzziel.
15 And they gathered their brethren, and sanctifi-
ed themselues, and came according to the com-
mandement of the King, ‖ by the words of the *Or, in the*
LORD to cleanse the house of the LORD. *matters of*
16 And the Priests went into the inner part of the *the Lord.*
house of the LORD, to cleanse *it*, and brought out
all the vncleannesse that they found in the Temple
of the LORD. And the Leuites tooke *it*, to cary *it* out
abroad into the brooke Kidron.
17 Now they began on the first *day* of the first
moneth, to sanctifie, and on the eight day of the mo-
neth came they to the porch of the LORD. So they
sanctified the house of the LORD in eight dayes,
and in the sixteenth day of the first moneth they
made an end.
18 Then they went in to Hezekiah the King, and
said, We haue cleansed all the house of the LORD,
and the Altar of burnt offering, with all the ves-
sels thereof, and the Shew bread table, with all the
vessels thereof.
19 Moreouer, all the vessels which King Ahaz
in his reigne did cast away in his transgression,
haue we prepared and sanctified, and behold, they
are before the Altar of the LORD.
20 ¶ Then Hezekiah the King rose early, and gat-
thered the rulers of the city, and went vp to the
house of the LORD.
21 And they brought seuen bullocks, and seuen

rammes, and seuen lambes, and seuen hee-goates for
*Leuit. 4.14. 21 *sinne offering for the kingdome, and for the Sanctuary, and for Iudah: and hee commanded the Priests, the sonnes of Aaron, to offer *them* on the Altar of the LORD.
*Leuit. 8.14.15. heb. 9.21. 22 So they killed the bullocks, and the Priests received ‖ blood, & *sprinkled it on the Altar: likewise when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood vpon the Altar: they killed also the lambs and they sprinkled the blood vpon ‖ the Altar.
† Hebr. powre. 23 And they brought † forth the hee-goates for the sinne offering, before the King and the Congregation, and layd their * hands vpon them.
* Leuit. 4.15. 24 And the Priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood vpon the Altar, to make an atonement for all Israel: for the King commanded that the burnt offering and the sinne offering *should be made* for all Israel.
*1. Chro. 16.4. and 25.6. 25 *And hee set the Leuites in the house of the LORD, with cymbal, with ‖ instruments, and with harpes, according to the commandement of Dauid and of Gad the Kings Seer, and Nathan the Prophet: for *so was* the commandement † of the LORD † by his Prophets.
† Hebr. by the hand of the Lord. 26 And the Leuites stood with the instruments of Dauid, and the Priests with the trumpets.
† Hebr. by the hand of. † Heb. in the time. 27 And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering vpon the Altar: and † when the burnt offering began, the song of the LORD began *also* with the trumpets, and with the † instruments *ordained* by Dauid King of Israel.
† Hebr. hands of instruments. † Hebr. sang. 28 And all the Congregation worshipped, and the † singers sang, and the trumpetters sounded: *and all this continued* vntill the burnt offering was finished.
† Heb. found. 29 And when they had made an end of offering, the King, and all that were † present with him bowed themselues and worshipped.
‖ Or, filled your hand 30 Moreouer, Hezekiah the king, and the Princes commanded the Leuites to sing praise vnto the LORD, with the words of Dauid, and of Asaph the Seer: and they sing praises with gladnes, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.
31 Then Hezekiah answered, and said, Now yee haue ‖ consecrated your selues vnto the LORD: come neere and bring sacrifices and thank-offerings into the house of the LORD. And the Congregation brought in sacrifices, and thank-offerings; and as many as were of a free heart, burnt offerings.
32 And the number of the burnt offerings which the Congregation brought, *was* three score and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, *and* two hundred lambs: all these *were* for a burnt offering to the LORD.
33 And the consecrated things *were* six hundred oxen, and three thousand sheepe.
† Hebr. strengthened how. 34 But the Priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt offerings: wherefore their brethren the Leuites † did help them till the worke was ended, and vntill the other Priests had sanctified themselues: for the Leuites *were* more vpright in heart to sanctifie themselues then the Priests.
35 And also the burnt offerings *were* in abundance, with the fat of the peace offerings, and the drinke offerings for *euery* burnt offering. So the seruice of the house of the LORD was set in order.
36 And Hezekiah reioyced, and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the thing *was done* suddenly.

CHAP. XXX.

1 *Hezekiah proclaimeth a solemne Passeover on the second moneth, for Iudah and Israel.* 14 *The assembly hauing destroyed the altars of idolatry, keep the feast fourteene dayes.* 27 *The Priests and Leuites blesse the people.*

AND Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Iudah, and wrote letters also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the LORD at Ierusalem, to keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD God of Israel.
2 For the King had taken aduisell, and his Princes, and all the Congregation in Ierusalem, to keepe the Passeouer in the second moneth.
3 For they could not keepe it at that time, because the Priests had not sanctified themselues sufficiently, neither had the people gathered themselues together to Ierusalem.
4 And the thing † pleased the King, and all the Congregation.
5 So they established a decree, to make proclamation throughout all Israel, from Beersheba to Dan, that they should come to keepe the Passeouer vnto the LORD God of Israel at Ierusalem: for they had not done *it* of a long time in such sort as it was written.
6 So the Posts went with the letters from the King and his Princes throughout all Israel and Iudah, and according to the commandement of the King, saying, Yee children of Israel, turne againe vnto the LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and he will returne to the remnant of you that are escaped out of the hand of the Kings of Assur.
7 And be not ye like your fathers, and like your brethren, which trespassed against the LORD God of their fathers, who therefore gaue them vp to desolation, as ye see.
8 Now † be ye not stiffe necked as your fathers were, *but* † yeeld your selues vnto the LORD, and enter into his Sanctuary, which he hath sanctified for euer: and serue the LORD your God, that the fierceneesse of his wrath may turne away from you.
9 For if ye turne againe vnto the LORD, your brethren and your children shall finde compassion before them that leade them captiues, so that they shall come againe into this land: for the LORD your God *is* gracious and mercifull, and will not turne away his face from you, if ye returne vnto him.
10 So the Posts passed from citie to citie through the countrey of Ephraim and Manasseh, euen vnto Zebulun: but they laughed them to scorne, and mocked them.
11 Neuerthelesse, diuers of Asher, Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselues, and came to Ierusalem.
12 Also in Iudah the hand of God was to giue them one heart to doe the commandement of the King, and of the Princes, by the word of the LORD.
13 ¶ And there assembled at Ierusalem much people to keepe the feast of vnleauened bread in the second moneth, a very great assembly.
14 And they arose and tooke away the altars that *were* in Ierusalem, and all the altars for incense tooke they away, and cast *them* into the brooke Kidron.
15 Then they killed the passeouer on the fourteenth *day* of the second moneth: and the Priests and the Leuites were ashamed, and sanctified themselues, and brought in the burnt offerings into the house of the LORD.
16 And they stood in their place after their manner, according to the Law of Moses the man of God: the Priests sprinkled the blood, *which they receiued* of the hand of the Leuites.
17 For there were many in the congregation that were not sanctified themselues: therefore the

age of the killing of ‡ Passeouers for every one
t was not clean, to sanctifie *them* vnto ‡ LORD.
For a multitude of the people, *e.* many of
raim and Manasseh, Issachar and Zebulun, had
ot cleansed themselues; yet did they eate the Passe-
r otherwise then it was written. But Hezekiah
yed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon
ry one,
That prepareth his heart to seeke God, the
RD God of his fathers, though he be not *clean*
according to the purification of the Sanctuary.
And the LORD hearkened vnto Hezekiah,
aled the people.
And the children of Israel that were ‡ present
Ierusalem, kept the Feast of vnleauened bread
seuen dayes with great gladnesse: and the Leuites
the Priests praysed the LORD day by day, *sing-*
with ‡ loud instruments vnto the LORD.
And Hezekiah spake † comfortably vnto all
Leuites, that taught the good knowledge of
LORD: so they did eat throughout the feast
seuen dayes, offering peace offerings, and making
fession vnto the LORD God of their fathers.
And the whole assembly tooke counsell to
e other seuen dayes: and they kept *other* seuen
es with gladnesse.
For Hezekiah King of Iudah ‡ did giue to
Congregation a thousand bullocks, and seuen
sand sheepe, and the Princes gaue to the Con-
gation a thousand bullocks, and ten thousand
eep, and a great number of Priests sanctified
lues.
And all the Congregation of Iudah, with the
ests and the Leuites, and all the Congregation
t came out of Israel and the strangers that came
of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in Iudah,
yced.
So there was great ioy in Ierusalem: for since
time of Solomon the sonne of Dauid King of
ael was not the like in Ierusalem.
Then the Priests the Leuites arose, and bles-
e people: and their voyce was *heard*, and
prayer came vp to his holy dwelling place,
vnto heauen.

CHAP. XXXI.

The people is forward in destroying idolatry. 2 *He ap-*
pointeth the courses of the Priests and
Leuites, and prouideth for their worke and
sustenance. 5 *The peoples forwardnes in offerings*
tithes. 11 *Hezekiah appointeth officers to ouer-*
see the tithes. 20 *The sincerity of Hezekiah.*

Now when all this was finished, all Israel that
were ‡ present, went out to the cities of Iu-
and * brake the † images in pieces, and cut
the groues, and threw downe the high places
the Altars out of all Iudah and Beniamin,
raim also and Manasseh, † vntill they had
y destroyed them all. Then all the children
Israel returned euery man to his possession into
own cities.
And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the
sts and the Leuites after their courses, euery
e according to his seruice, the Priests and Le
s for burnt offerings, and for peace offerings, to
ister, and to giue thankes, and to praise in the
es of the tents of the LORD.
He appointed also the Kings portion of his
ance for the burnt offerings, *to wit*, for the
rning and euening burnt offerings, and the
offerings for the Sabbaths, and for the new
ns, and for the set Feasts, as it is written in
e of the LORD.
Moreouer, hee commanded the people that
dwelt in Ierusalem, to giue the portion of the
Priests and the Leuites, that they might bee encou-
raged in the Law of the LORD.
¶ And as soone as the commandement † came
abroad, the children of Israel brought in abundance
the first fruits of corne, wine, and oyle, and ‡ hony,
and of the increase of the field: and the tithe of
all things brought they in abundantly.
And concerning the children of Israel and
Iudah, that dwelt in the cities of Iudah, they *also*
brought in the tithe of oxen and sheepe, and the
tithe of holy * things, which were consecrated vnto
the LORD their God, *and* laid *them* † by heapes.
In the third moneth they began to lay the
foundation of the heapes, and finished *them* in the
seuenth moneth.
And when Hezekiah and the Princes came
and saw the heapes, they blessed the LORD and his
people Israel.
Then Hezekiah questioned with the Priestes
and the Leuites concerning the heapes.
And Azariah the chiefe Priest of the house of
Zadok answered him, and said, Since *the people* be-
gan to bring the offerings into the house of the
LORD, we haue had enough to eate, and haue left
plenty: for the LORD hath blessed his people, and
that which is left, is this great store.
¶ Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare
chambers in the house of the LORD, & they pre-
pared *them*.
And brought in the offerings and the tithes,
and the dedicate things faithfully: ouer which Co-
nenliah the Leuite was Ruler, and Shimei his bro-
ther was the next.
And Iehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and A-
sahel, and Ierimoth, and Iozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah were ouerseers,
‡ vnder the hand of Conenliah, and Shimei his bro-
ther, at the commandement of Hezekiah the King,
and Azariah the Ruler of the house of God.
And Kore the sonne of Imnah the Leuite the
porter toward the East was ouer the free will of-
ferings of God, to distribute the oblations of the
LORD, and the most holy things.
And ‡ next him were Eden and Miniamin,
and Iesua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, & Shechaniah
in the cities of the Priests, in their † set office, to
giue to their brethren, by courses, as well to the
great as to the small:
Besides their genealogie of males, from three
yeeres old and vpward, *even* vnto euery one that
entereth into the house of the LORD, his dayly por-
tion for their seruice in their charges, according
to their courses.
And to the genealogy of ‡ Priests by † house
of their fathers, and the Leuites from twenty yeeres
old and vpward, in their charges by their courses,
And to the genealogie of all their little ones,
their wiues, and their sonnes, and their daughters,
through all the Congregation: for in their † set office
they sanctified themselues in holinesse.
Also of the sonnes of Aaron the Priests, which
were in the fields of the suburbs of their cities, in
euery seuerall city, the men that were expressed by
name, to giue portions to all the males among the
Priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealo-
gies among the Leuites.
¶ And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Iu-
dah, and wrought that which *was* good and right,
and truth before the LORD his God.
And in euery worke that hee began in the
seruice

seruice of the house of God, and in the Law, and in the Commandements, to seeke his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered.

CHAP. XXXII.

*1 Sennacherib inuading Iudah, Hezekiah fortifieth himselfe, and encourageth his people. 9 Against the blasphemies of Sennacherib by message and letters, Hezekiah and Esaiah pray. 21 An Angel destroyeth the hoste of the Assyrians, to the glory of Hezekiah. 24 Hezekiah praying in his sickenesse, God giueth him a signe of recouery. 25 He waxing proud, is humbled by God. 27 His wealth and workes. 31 His error in the embassage of Babylon. 32 He dyeth. Manasseh succeedeth him.

* 2 Kings 18.13. &c. † Hebr. to breake them vp. † Hebr. his face was to warr. † Hebr. ouerflowed.

AFter these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib King of Assyria came and entred into Iudah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought † to win them for himselfe.

2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that † hee was purposed to fight against Ierusalem,

3 He tooke counsell with his Princes, & his mighty men, to stop the waters of the fountaines which were without the city: and they did helpe him.

4 So there was gathered much people together, who stopt all the fountaines, & the brooke that ranne thorow the midst of the land, saying: Why should the Kings of Assyria come, and find much water?

5 Also he strengthened himselfe, and built vp all the wall that was broken, and raised it vp to the towers, and another wall without, and repaired Millo in the citie of Dauid, and made ‖ darts and shields in abundance.

‖ Or, swords, or weapons.

6 And he set captaines of warre ouer the people, and gathered them together to him in the streete of the gate of the city, and spake † comfortably to them, saying,

† Hebr. he spake to their heart.

7 Be strong and couragious, bee not afraid, nor dismayed for the King of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him: for there be moe with vs then with him.

* Iere. 17.5. † Hebr. arme.

8 * With him is an arme of flesh, but with vs is the LORD our God to helpe vs, & to fight our battels. And the people † rested themselues vpon the words of Hezekiah King of Iudah.

* 2 Kings 18.17. † Hebr. dominion.

9 ¶ * After this did Sennacherib King of Assyria send his seruants to Ierusalem, (but he himselfe laid siege against Lachish, and all his † power with him) vnto Hezekiah King of Iudah, and vnto all Iudah that were at Ierusalem, saying,

‖ Or, in the strong hold.

10 Thus saith Sennacherib King of Assyria, Wherein doe ye trust, that ye abide ‖ in the siege in Ierusalem?

11 Doth not Hezekiah perswade you to giue ouer your selues to die by famine and by thirst, saying, The LORD our God shall deliuer vs out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

12 Hath not the same Hezekiah taken away his high places, and his Altars, and commanded Iudah and Ierusalem, saying: Ye shall worship before one Altar, and burne incense vpon it?

13 Know ye not what I and my fathers haue done vnto all the people of other lands? were the gods of the nations of those lands any waies able to deliuer their lands out of mine hand?

14 Who was there among all § gods of those nations, that my fathers vtterly destroyed, that could deliuer his people out of mine hand, that your God should be able to deliuer you out of mine hand?

15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceiue you, nor perswade you on this manner, neither yet beleeue him: for no god of any nation or kingdome was able to deliuer his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much lesse shall your God deliuer you out of mine hand?

16 And his seruants spake yet more against the LORD God, and against his seruant Hezekiah.

17 He wrote also letters to raile on the LORD God of Israel, and to speake against him, saying, As the Gods of the nations of other lands haue not deliuered their people out of mine hand: so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliuer his people out of mine hand.

18 Then they cryed with a lowd voyce in the Iewes speech, vnto the people of Ierusalem that were on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them, that they might take the city.

19 And they spake against the God of Ierusalem, as against the gods of the people of the earth, which were the worke of the hands of man.

20 For this cause Hezekiah the King, and the Prophet Isaiah, the son of Amoz, prayed, and cryed to heauen.

21 ¶ * And the LORD sent an Angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captaines in the campe of the King of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his owne land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his owne bowels, † slew him there with his sword.

22 Thus the LORD saued Hezekiah, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem, from the hand of Sennacherib the King of Assyria, and from the hand of all other, and guided them on euery side.

23 And many brought gifts vnto the LORD to Ierusalem, and † presents to Hezekiah King of Iudah: so that hee was magnified in the sight of all nations from thenceforth.

24 ¶ * In those dayes Hezekiah was sicke to the death, and prayed vnto the LORD: and he spake vnto him, and he ‖ gaue him a signe.

25 But Hezekiah rendred not againe according to the benefit done vnto him: for his heart was lifted vp, therefore there was wrath vpon him, and vpon Iudah and Ierusalem.

26 Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself for † the pride of his heart (both he & the inhabitants of Ierusalem) so that the wrath of the LORD came not vpon them in the dayes of Hezekiah.

27 ¶ And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honor: & he made himselfe treasuries for siluer, and for gold, and for precious stones, & for spices, & for shields, & for all manner of pleasant iewels.

28 Stor-houses also for the increase of corne, wine, and oyle, and stalles for all manner of beasts, and coates for flockes.

29 Moreouer, he prouided him cities and possessions of flockes and heards in abundance: for God had giuen him substance very much.

30 This same Hezekiah also stopped the vpper water-course of Gihon, and brought it straight downe to the West side of the city of Dauid. And Hezekiah prospered in all his workes.

31 ¶ Howbeit, in the businesse of the † Embassadours of the Princes of Babylon, who * sent to him to enquire of the wonder that was done in the land, God left him to try him, that he might know all that was in his heart.

32 ¶ Now the rest of the actes of Hezekiah, and his † goodnesse, behold, they are written in the vision of Isaiah the Prophet, the son of Amoz, and in the booke of the Kings of Iudah and Israel.

33 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the ‖ chiefest of the sepulchres

nes of Dauid: and all Iudah and the inha-
ts of Ierusalem did him honour at his death:
Manasseh his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXXIII.

*Manasseh his wicked reigne. 3 Hee setteth vp
ry, and would not be admonished. 11 He is ca-
ne Babylon. 12 Vpon his prayer to God he is
ored, and putteth downe Idolatry. 18 His Actes
his dying. Amon succeedeth him. 21 Amon reig-
wickedly is slaine by his seruants. 25 The mur-
rers being slaine, Iosiah succeedeth him.*

Manasseh * was twelue yeeres old when hee
began to reigne, and hee reigned fifty and
yeeres in Ierusalem:

But did that which *was* euill in the sight of
LORD, like vnto the abominations of the hea-
, * whom the LORD had cast out before the
dren of Israel.

¶ For † he built againe the high places, which
kiah his father had *broken downe, and hee
ed vp altars for Baalim, and made groues, and
shipped all the hoste of heauen, & serued them.

Also he built altars in the house of the LORD:
reof the LORD had said, * In Ierusalem shall
Name be for euer.

And he built Altars for all the hoste of hea-
in the two courts of the house of the LORD.

And he caused his children to passe thorow the
o the valley of the sonne of Hinnom: also hee
ued times, and vsed inchantments, and vsed
chraft, and dealt with a familiar spirit, and
wizards: he wrought much euill in the sight
e LORD, to prouoke him to anger.

And he set a carued image (the idole which he
made) in the house of God, of which God had
to Dauid, and to Solomon his sonne: In * this
se, and in Ierusalem, which I haue chosen before
tribes of Israel, will I put my Name for euer.

Neither will I any more remoue the foot * of
l, from out of the land which I haue appoin-
for your Fathers, so that they will take heed to
all that I haue commanded them, according to
whole Law and the Statutes, and the ordinan-
by the hand of Moses.

So Manasseh made Iudah, and the inhabitants
Ierusalem to erre, and to doe worse then the hea-
whom the LORD had destroyed before the
dren of Israel.

And the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his
ple: but they would not hearken.

¶ Wherefore the LORD brought vpon them
captaines of the hoste † of the king of Assyria,
h tooke Manasseh among the thorns and bound
th ‖ fetters, and carried him to Babylon.

And when hee was in affliction, he besought
LORD his God, and humbled himselfe greatly
e the God of his fathers.

And prayed vnto him, and he was intreated of
and heard his supplication, and brought him
e to Ierusalem into his kingdome. Then Ma-
knew that the LORD he *was* God.

Now after this, hee built a wall without the
of Dauid, on the Westside of Gihon, in the
, euen to the entring in at the fish-gate, and
sed about Ophel, and raised it vp a very
height, and put captaines of warre in all the
d cities of Iudah.

And hee tooke away the strange gods, and the
ge out of the house of the LORD, and all the al-
that he had built in the mount of the house of
RD, and in Ierusalem, and cast *them* out of
y.

16 And he repaired the Altar of the LORD, and
sacrificed thereon peace offerings and thanke of-
rings, and commanded Iudah to serue the LORD
God of Israel.

17 Neuertheless the people did sacrifice still in
the high places, *yet* vnto ¶ LORD their God onely.

18 ¶ Now the rest of the actes of Manasseh and
his prayer vnto his God, and the words of the
Seers that spake to him in the Name of the LORD
God of Israel, behold, they are *written* in the
booke of the Kings of Israel:

19 His prayer also, and how *God* was intreated of
him, and all his sinne, and his trespasse, and the places
wherein he built high places, and set vp groues and
grauen images before hee was humbled: behold,
they are written among the sayings of ‖ the Seers.

‖ Or, Hosai.

20 ¶ So Manasseh slept with his fathers and they
buried him in his owne house: and Amon his sonne
reigned in his stead.

21 ¶ * Amon was two and twenty yeeres olde
when he began to reigne, and reigned two yeeres
in Ierusalem.

* 2. Kinge 21.19. &c.

22 But he did that which *was* euill in the sight of
the LORD, as did Manasseh his father: for Amon
sacrificed vnto all the carued images, which Ma-
nasseh his father had made, and serued them:

23 And humbled not himselfe before the LORD,
as Manasseh his father had humbled himselfe: but
Amon † trespassed more and more.

† Hebr. multiplyed trespasse.

24 And his seruants conspired against him, and
slew him in his owne house.

25 ¶ But the people of the land slew all them that
had conspired against king Amon: and the people
of the land made Iosiah his sonne King in his stead.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

*1 Iosiah his good reigne. 3 He destroyeth Idola-
try. 8 He taketh order for the repaire of the Tem-
ple. 14 Hilkiah hauing found a booke of the Law,
Iosiah sendeth to Huldah to enquire of the Lord.
23 Huldah propheseth the destruction of Ierusa-
lem, but respite thereof in Iosiahs time. 29 Iosiah
causing it to be read in a solemne assembly, renew-
eth the Couenant with God.*

IOsiah * *was* eight yeeres old when hee began to
reigne, and hee reigned in Ierusalem one and
thirty yeeres.

* 2. Kings 22.1. &c.

2 And he did that which *was* right in the sight
of the LORD, and walked in the waies of Dauid
his father, and declined *neither* to the right hand,
nor to the left.

3 ¶ For in ¶ eight yeere of his reigne, while he was
yet young, he began to seek after the God of Dauid
his father: & in ¶ twelfth yeere he began to purge
Iudah and Ierusalem from the high places, and the
groues, & the carued images, & the molten images.

4 * And they brake downe the altars of Baalim
in his presence, and (the images that were on high
aboue them, he cut downe, and the groues, and the
carued images, and the molten images he brake in
pieces, and made dust of *them*, and strowed *it* vpon
the † graues of them that had sacrificed vnto them.

* 1. Kings 13.2. * Leuit. 26.30. ‖ Or, Sun-images: † Hebr. face of the graues.

5 And hee burnt the bones of the Priests vpon
their altars, and cleansed Iudah and Ierusalem.

6 And *so did he* in the cities of Manasseh, and
Ephraim, and Simeon, euen vnto Naphtali, with
their ‖ mattockes round about.

‖ Or, maules.

7 And when he had broken downe the altars and
the groues, and had beaten the grauen images † in-
to powder, and cut downe all the idoles thorowout
all the land of Israel, he returned to Ierusalem.

† Hebr. to make powder.

8 ¶ Now in the eighteenth yeere of his reigne,
when he had purged the land, and the house, he sent

Shaphan the sonne of Azaliah, and Maasiah the gouernour of the city, and Ioah the sonne of Ioahaz the Recorder, to repaire the house of the LORD his God.

9 And when they came to Hilkiah the high Priest, they deliuered the money that was brought into the house of God, which the Leuites that kept the doores had gathered of the hand of Manasseh, and Ephraim, & of all the remnant of Israel, & of all Iudah and Beniamin, and they returned to Ierusalem.

10 And they put it in the hand of the workemen, that had the ouersight of the house of the LORD, & they gaue it to the workemen that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repaire and mend the houle.

Or, to raffter

11 Euen to the artificers and builders gaue they it, to buy hewen stone, and timber for couplings and † to floore the houses, which the Kings of Iudah had destroyed.

12 And the men did the worke faithfully, and the ouerseers of them were Iahath, and Obadiah, the Leuites of the sonnes of Merari, and Zechariah, and Meshullam of the sonnes of the Kohathites, to set it forward: and other of the Leuites, all that could skill of instruments of Musicke.

13 Also they were ouer the bearers of burdens, and were ouerseers of all that wrought the worke in any manner of seruice: and of the Leuites there were Scribes and officers and porters.

14 ¶ And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD, Hilkiah the Priest found a booke of the Law of the LORD *giuen* † by Moses.

¶ 2. Kings 22. 8. &c.

† Hebr. in the hand of.

15 And Hilkiah answered, and said to Shaphan the Scribe: I haue found the booke of the Law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah deliuered the booke to Shaphan.

16 And Shaphan carried the booke to the King and brought the King word backe againe, saying, All † y was committed † thy seruants, they doe it

† Hebr. to the hand of

17 And they haue † gathered together the money that was found in the house of the LORD, and haue deliuered it into the hand of the ouerseers, and to the hand of the workemen.

† Hebr. powred out or melted

18 Then Shaphan the Scribe told the King, saying, Hilkiah the Priest hath giuen me a booke. And Shaphan read † it before the King.

† Hebr. in it.

19 And it came to passe when the King had heard the words of the Law, that he rent his clothes.

¶ Or, Ach bor, 2. kin. 22. 12.

20 And the King commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the ſon of Saphan, and ¶ Abdon the ſonne of Micah, and Shaphan the Scribe, and Asaiah a ſeruant of the Kings, ſaying,

21 Go enquire of the LORD for me, and of them that are left in Israel and in Iudah, concerning the words of the booke that is found: for great is the wrath of the LORD, that is powred out vpon vs, becauſe our fathers haue not kept the word of the LORD, to do after all † y is written in this booke.

† Hebr. vs.

22 And Hilkiah, and they that the king had *appointed*, went to Huldah the Prophetesſe, the wife *¶ Or, Harhas* of Shallum the ſonne of Tikuath the ſonne of † Hasshu, *2. kin. 22. 14.* keeper of the † wardrobe (now shee dwelt in Ieruſalem in the ¶ College) and they ſpake to her *† Hebr. garments.* to that effect.

23 ¶ And ſhee anſwered them, Thus ſaith the *¶ Or, in the ſchoole of* LORD God of Israel: Tell ye the man that ſent you to me,

vs in the ſecond part.

24 Thus ſaith the LORD, Behold † I will bring euil vpon this place, and vpon the inhabitants thereof, euen all the curſes that are written in the booke which they haue read before the King of Iudah:

25 Becauſe they haue forſaken me, and haue burned incenſe vnto other gods, that they might prouoke me to angre with all the workes of their hands, therefore my wrath ſhall be powred out on this place, and ſhall not be quenched.

26 And as for the King of Iudah, who ſent you to enquire of the LORD, to him ſhall ye ſpeake thus: Thus ſaith the LORD God of Israel concerning the words which thou haſt heard:

27 Becauſe thine heart was tender, and thou haſt humbled thy ſelfe before God, when thou heardeſt his words againſt this place, and againſt the inhabitants thereof, and haſt humbled thy ſelfe before me, and didſt rend thy clothes, and weepe before me, I haue euen heard thee alſo, ſaith the LORD.

28 Behold, I will gather thee to thy fathers, and thou ſhalt be gathered to thy graue in peace, neither ſhall thine eyes ſee all the euill that I will bring vpon this place, and vpon the inhabitants of the ſame. So they brought the King word againe.

29 ¶ * Then the King ſent and gathered together all the Elders of Iudah and Ieruſalem.

30 And the King went vp into the houſe of the LORD, and all the men of Iudah, and the inhabitants of Ieruſalem, and the Priests, and the Leuites, and all the people † great and ſmall: and he read in their eares all the words of the booke of the Couenant that was found in the house of the LORD.

31 And the king ſtood in his place, and made a Couenant before the LORD, to walke after the LORD, and to keepe his commandements, and his Teſtimonies, and his Statutes, with all his heart, and with all his ſoule, to perform the words of the Couenant which are written in this booke.

32 And he cauſed all that were preſent in Ieruſalem and Beniamin to ſtand to it. And the inhabitants of Ieruſalem did according to the Couenant of God, the God of their fathers.

33 And Iosiah tooke away all the abominations out of all the countries that pertained to the children of Israel, and made all that were preſent in Israel to ſerue, euen to ſerue the LORD their God. *And* all his dayes they departed not from following the LORD the God of their fathers.

CHAP. XXXV.

1 Iosiah keepeth a ſolemne Paſſeouer. 20 His preuailing Pharaoh Necho a Gentile. 25 Lamentations for him.

MOreouer, Iosiah kept a Paſſeouer vnto the LORD in Ieruſalem: and they killed the Paſſeouer on the fourteenth day of the firſt moneth.

2 And he ſet the Priests in their offices, and encouraged them to the ſeruice of the house of the LORD,

3 And ſaid vnto the Leuites that taught all Israel, which were holy vnto the LORD, Put the holy Arke in the houſe which Salomon the ſonne of Dauid King of Israel did build: it ſhall not be a burden vpon your ſhoulders now: ſerue the LORD your God, and his people Israel.

4 And prepare your ſelues by the houſes of your fathers, after your courſes, according to the writing of Dauid King of Israel, and according to the * writing of Salomon his ſonne.

5 And ſtand in the holy place according to the diuiſions of the † families of the fathers of your brethren the people, and let there be for euery one of the † families of the fathers of the Leuites.

6 So kill the paſſeouer, and ſanctifie your ſelues, and prepare your brethren, that they may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moſes.

7

and Iosiah † gaue to the people of the flocke, all lambs, all for the Passeouer-offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these were of the kings substance.

8 And his Princes † gaue willingly vnto the people, to the Priests, and to the Leuites: Hilkiah, Zacharias, and Iehiel, rulers of the house of God, gaue vnto the Priests for the Passeouer-offerings two thousand and sixe hundred small cattell, and three hundred oxen.

9 Conaniah also and Shemaiah, and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah, and Ieiiel, and Iozabad, chiefe of the Leuites, † gaue vnto the Leuites for Passeouer-offerings, fiue thousand small cattell, and fiue hundred oxen.

10 So the seruice was prepared: and the Priests stood in their place, and the Leuites in their courses according to the Kings commandement.

11 And they killed the Passeouer, and the Priests sprinkled the blood from their hands, and the Leuites flayed them.

12 And they remoued the burnt offerings, that they might giue according to the diuisions of the families of the people to offer vnto the LORD, as it is written in the booke of Moses: and so did they with the oxen.

13 And they * roasted the Passeouer with fire, according to the ordinance: but the other holy offerings sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pannes, and diuided them speedily among all the people.

14 And afterward they made ready for themselues, and for the Priests: because the Priests the sonnes of Aaron were busie in offering of burnt offerings and the fat vntill night: therefore the Leuites prepared for themselues, and for the Priests the sonnes of Aaron.

15 And the singers the sons of Asaph, were in their place according to the * commandement of Dauid, and Asaph, and Heman, and Ieduthun the Kings seer: and the porters waited at euery gate: they might not depart from their seruice; for their brethren the Leuites prepared for them.

16 So all the seruice of the LORD was prepared the same day to keepe the Passeouer, and to offer burnt offerings vpon the Altar of the LORD, according to the commandement of King Iosiah.

17 And the children of Israel that were present, kept the Passeouer at that time, and the feast of vnleauened bread seuen dayes.

18 And there was no Passeouer like to that kept in Israel from the dayes of Samuel the Prophet: neither did all the Kings of Israel keepe such a Passeouer as Iosiah kept, and the Priests and the Leuites, and all Iudah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem.

19 In the eighteenth yeere of the reigne of Iosiah was this Passeouer kept.

20 After all this, when Iosiah had prepared the temple, Necho King of Egypt came vp to fight against Carchemish by Euphrates: and Iosiah went out against him.

21 But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What haue I to do with thee thou King of Iudah? I come not against thee this day, but against the house wherewith I haue warre: for God commanded me to make haste: forbeare thee from *meddling* with God, that he destroy thee not.

22 Neuertheleſſe, Iosiah would not turne his face from him, but disguised himselfe that he might fight with him, and hearkened not vnto the words of Necho, from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo.

23 And the Archers shot at King Iosiah: and the King said vnto his seruants, Haue me away, for I am † sore wounded.

24 His seruants therefore tooke him out of that charet, & put him in the second charet that he had: and they brought him to Ierusalem, & he died, and was buried † in one of the sepulchres of his fathers. And all Iudah and Ierusalem mourned for Iosiah.

25 ¶ And Ieremiah lamented for Iosiah: and all the singing men, and the singing women spake of Iosiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel: and behold, they are written in the lamentations.

26 Now the rest of the acts of Iosiah, and his † goodnesse, according to that which was written in the Law of the LORD,

27 And his deeds, first and last, behold, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and Iudah.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 Iehoahaz succeeding in deposition by Pharaoh, and carried into Egypt. 5 Iehoiakim reigning, is carried bound into Babylon. 9 Iehoiachin succeeding, reigneth three moneths, and is caried into Babylon. 11 Zedekiah succeeding reigneth ill, and despiseth the Prophets, and rebelleth against Nebuchadnezzar. 14 Ierusalem, for the sins of the Priests and people, is wholly destroyed. 22 The Proclamation of Cyrus.

1 THen * the people of the land tooke Iehoahaz the sonne of Iosiah, and made him King in his fathers stead in Ierusalem.

2 Iehoahaz was twenty and three yeeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned three moneths in Ierusalem.

3 And the King of Egypt † put him downe at Ierusalem, and † condemned the land in an hundred talents of siluer, and a talent of gold.

4 And the King of Egypt made Eliakim his brother King ouer Iudah and Ierusalem, and turned his name to Iehoiakim. And Necho tooke Iehoahaz his brother, and caried him to Egypt.

5 ¶ Iehoiakim was twenty and fiue yeeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem, and he did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD his God.

6 Against him came vp Nebuchadnezzar King of Babylon, and bound him in † fetters to carry him to Babylon.

7 * Nebuchadnezzar also caried of the vessels of the house of the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his Temple at Babylon.

8 Now the rest of the acts of Iehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, & that which was found in him, behold, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and Iudah: and † Iehoiachin his sonne reigned in his stead.

9 ¶ * Iehoiachin was eight yeeres old when he began to reigne, and he reigned three moneths and ten dayes in Ierusalem, and he did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD.

10 And † when the yeere was expired, King Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon, with the † goodly vessels of the house of the LORD, and made Zedekiah his brother King ouer Iudah and Ierusalem.

11 ¶ * Zedekiah was one and twenty yeeres old when he began to reigne, and reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem.

12 And he did that which was euill in the sight of the LORD his God, and humbled not himselfe before

† Heb. made sicke.

† Or, among the sepulchers. * Zach. 12.11.

† Heb. kindnesses

† Heb. put him downe.

† Heb. mulcted.

* 2 Kings 24.1.

† Heb. bound him.

* 2 Kings 24.13. dan. 1.2. Ieremiah, 1 Chr. 36. or Coniah or 22.24. * 2 Kings 24.8. † Heb. his brother.

† Heb. vessels of the worke. * 2 Chr. 36.10. Ieremiah 22.24. 27.20. 28.3. 29.2. * 2 Kings 24.17. 2 Chr. 36.11. Ieremiah 37.1. & 52.1. &c. 2 Kings 24.18.

before Ieremiah the Prophet, *speaking* from the mouth of the LORD.

13 And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him sweare by God: but he stifned his necke, and hardened his heart from turning vnto the LORD God of Israel.

14 ¶ Moreouer all the chiefe of the Priests, and the people transgressed very much, after all the abominations of the heathen, & polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Ierusalem.

15 * And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them † by his messengers rising vp ‖ betimes and sending: because he had compassion on his people and on his dwelling place:

16 But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his Prophets, vntill the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no † remedy.

17 *Therefore he brought vpon them the King of the Caldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their Sanctuary, and had no compassion vpon the yong man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gaue *them* all into his hand.

18 And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD. And *the* treasures of the King and his Princes: all *these* he brought to Babylon.

19 And they burnt the house of God, and brake downe the wall of Ierusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.

20 And † them that had escaped from the sword caryed he away to Babylon: where they were seruants to him and his sonnes, vntill the reigne of the kingdome of Persia:

21 To fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of * Ieremiah: vntill the land had enioyed her Sabbaths: *for* as long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbaths to fulfill threescore and ten yeeres.

22 ¶ * Now in the first yeere of Cyrus King of Persia, (that the word of the LORD spoken by the mouth of * Ieremiah might be accomplished) the LORD stirred vp the spirit of Cyrus King of Persia, that he made a Proclamation throughout all his kingdome, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

23 Thus saith Cyrus King of Persia, All the kingdomes of the earth hath the LORD God of heauen giuen me, and he hath charged me to build him an house in Ierusalem, which *is* in Iudah. Who *is* among you of all his people? the LORD his God be with him, and let him goe vp.

* Ier. 25.3 & 35.15. † *Heb. by the hand of his messengers.* ‖ *That is continually and carefully.* † *Hebr. healing.* * 2. Kings 25.1.3.&c.

* 2. Chron. 36.22. Ier. 25.12. & 29.10. † *Hebr. caused a voyce to passe.* * Esay 44.28.& 45.1.13.

† *Hebr. lift him vp.*

‖ *That is, helped them.*

* 2. Kings 24.13. 2. chron. 36.7 * See chap. 5.14.

¶ EZRA.

CHAP. I.

¶ 1 The Proclamation of Cyrus for the building of the Temple. 5 The people prouide for the returne. 7 Cyrus restoreth the vessels of the Temple to Sheshbazzar.

NOw in the first yeere of Cyrus king of Persia, (that the word of the LORD * by the mouth of Ieremiah, might be fulfilled) the LORD stirred vp the spirit of Cyrus King of Persia, that he † made a proclamation throughout all his kingdome, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

2 Thus saith Cyrus King of Persia, The LORD God of heauen hath giuen mee all the kingdomes of the earth, and he hath * charged me to build him an house at Ierusalem, which *is* in Iudah.

3 Who *is* there among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him goe vp to Ierusalem, which is in Iudah, & build the house of the LORD God of Israel, (He *is* the God) which *is* in Ierusalem

4 And whosoeuer remaineth in any place where he sojourneth, let the men of his place † helpe him with siluer, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, besides the free-will offering for the house of God that is in Ierusalem.

5 ¶ Then rose vp the chiefe of the fathers of Iudah and Beniamin, and the Priests, and the Leuits, with all *them* whose spirit God had raised to goe vp, to build the house of the LORD, which is in Ierusalem

6 And all they that *were* about them ‖ strengthened their hands with vessels of siluer, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, besides all *that* was willingly offered.

7 ¶ Also Cyrus the King brought forth the vessels of the house of the LORD, * which Nebuchadnezzar had brought foorth out of Ierusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods:

8 Euen those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath, the treasurer, and numbred them vnto * Sheshbazzar the Prince of Iudah,

9 And this *is* the number of them: thirty basons of gold, a thousand censers of siluer, and twenty knines:

10 Thirty basins of gold, siluer basins of a second sort, foure hundred and ten, and other vessels a thousand.

11 All the vessels of gold and of siluer *were* fiue thousand and foure hundred: all *these did* Sheshbazzar bring vp with *them* of † the captiuity that were brought vp from Babylon vnto Ierusalem.

CHAP. II.

1 The number that returne of the people. 40 of the Priests. 42 of the Leuites. 65 of the Singers. 55 Of Solomons seruants. 62 of those which could not shew their pedegree. 64 The number of them, with their substance and oblations.

NOw * these *are* the children of the Prouince that went vp out of the captiuity of those which had been caryed away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the King of Babylon had caried away vnto Babylon, and came againe vnto Ierusalem and Iudah, euery one vnto his citie;

2 Which came with Zerubbabel, Iesua, Nehemiah, ‖ Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mardocheus, Bilshan, Mispar, Biguai, Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel

3 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred twenty and two.

4 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred threescore and two.

5 The children of Arah, seuen hundred seuenty and fiue.

6 The children of * Pahath Moab, of the children of Iesua and Ioab, two thousand eight hundred and twelue.

7 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and foure.

8 The children of Zattu, nine hundred and fiue.

hildren of Zaccai, seuen hundred and

hildren of ‖ Bani, fiue hundred fourty

hildren of Bebai, fiue hundred twenty

hildren of Azgad, a thousand two hun-
ty and two.

hildren of Adonikam, six hundred sixty

hildren of Biguai, two thousand fifty

hildren of Adin, foure hundred fifty and

children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety

hildren of Bezai, three hundred twenty

hildren of Iorah, an hundred & twelue.
ildren of Hashum, two hundred twenty

hildren of ‖ Gibbar, ninety and fue.
hildren of Bethlehem, an hundred twen-
e.

hildren of Netophah, fifty and sixe.
men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and

hildren of ‖ Azmaueth, forty and two.
hildren of Kiriath-arim, Chephirah, and
ven hundred and forty and three.
hildren of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred
d one.
men of Michmas, an hundred twenty and

men of Bethel and Ai, two hundred
d three.
hildren of Nebo, fifty and two.
hildren of Magbish, an hundred fifty and

hildren of the other * Elam, a thousand
red fifty and foure.
hildren of Harim, three hundred and

children of Lod, ‖ Hadid, and Ono, seuen
enty and fiue.
hildren of Iericho, three hundred forty

hildren of Senaah, three thousand and
e and thirty.
Priests. The children of * Iedaiah, of the
se, nine hundred seuenty and three.
hildren of * Immer, a thousand fifty

children of * Pashur, a thousand two
rty and seuen.
hildren of * Harim, a thousand and se-

e Leuites. The children of Iesh ua, and
of the children of ‖ Hodauiah, seuenty

e singers. The children of Asaph, an hun-
ty and eight.
e children of the porters. The children
, The children of Ater, the children of
e children of Akkub, the children of
e children of Shobai, in all an hundred
ne.
e Nethinims. The children of Ziha, the
Hasupha the children of Tabbaoth.
children of Keros, the children of Siaha,
n of Padon.
hildren of Lebanah, the children of Hagabath, the children of Akkub.

46 The children of Hagab, the children of ‖ Shalmai, the children of Hanan,

47 The children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah,

48 The children of Rezin the children of Nekoda, the children of Gazzam,

49 The children of Vzza, the children of Paseah, the children of Besai,

50 The children of Asnah the children of Mehunim, the children of Nephushim,

51 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur.

52 The children of ‖ Bazluth, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,

53 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera the children of Thamah,

54 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.

55 ¶ The children of Solomons seruants. The children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of ‖ Perida,

56 The children of Iaalah, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,

57 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of ‖ Ami.

58 All the * Nethinims, & the children of * Solomons seruants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.

59 And these *were they* which went vp from Telmelah, Tel-harsa, Cherub, Addan, *and* Immer: but they could not shew their fathers house, and their ‖ seed, whether they *were* of Israel.

60 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda: sixe hundred fifty and two.

61 ¶ And of the children of the Priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai, (which tooke a wife of the daughters of * Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name.)

62 These sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogie, but they were not found: therefore were they † as polluted, put from the Priesthood.

63 And the ‖ Tirshatha said vnto them, that they should not eate of the most holy things; till there stood vp a Priest with * Vrim, & with Thummim.

64 ¶ The whole congregation together was forty and two thousand three hundred *and* threescore:

65 Beside their seruants, & their maids of whom there were seuen thousand three hundred thirty & seuen: and *there were* among them two hundred singing men and singing women.

66 Their horses *were* seuen hundred thirty and sixe: their mules two hundred forty and fiue:

67 Their camels foure hundred thirty and fiue: *their* asses sixe thousand seuen hundred & twenty.

68 ¶ And *some* of the chiefe of the fathers, when they came to the house of the LORD, which *is* at Ierusalem, offered freely for the house of God, to set it vp in his place:

69 They gaue after their ability vnto the * treasure of the worke threescore and one thousand drams of gold, and fiue thousand pound of siluer, and one hundred Priests garments.

70 So the Priests, and the Leuites, and some of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims dwelt in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.

‖ Or, Shamlai.

‖ Or. Bezlith, in Neh.

‖ Or. Perida in Neh.

‖ Or. Amon in Neh.

* Iosh. 9. 21. 27.
1. chron. 9. 2.
* 1. Kings 9. 21.
‖ Or, Pedeiah.

* 2. Sam. 17. 27.

† Hebr. they were polluted from the Priesthood.

‖ Or, gouernour.
* Exod. 28 30.

* 1 Chro. 26. 20

CHAP. III.

1 *The Altar is set vp.* 4 *Offerings frequented.* 7 *Works.*

Workemen prepared. 8 the foundations of the Temple are laid in great ioy and mourning.

AND when the seuenth moneth was come, and the children of Israel *were* in the cities: the people gathered themselues together as one man to Ierusalem.

2 Then stood vp ‖Ieshua the sonne of Iozadak, and his brethren the Priests, and *Zerubbabel the son of *Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the Altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as it is *written in the Law of Moses the man of Deuteronomie.

3 And they set the Altar vpon his baſes, (for feare *was* vpon them, because of the people of those countries) and they offered burnt offerings thereon vnto the LORD, *euen* burnt offerings morning and euening.

4 They kept also the feast of Tabernacles, *as it is written, and *offered the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custome, † as the duty of euery day required:

5 And afterward *offered* the continuall burnt offerings both of the new Moones, and of all the set feasts of the LORD, that were consecrated, and of euery one that willingly offered a free will offring vnto the LORD.

6 From the first day of the seuenth moneth, began they to offer burnt offerings vnto the LORD: but the † foundation of the Temple of the LORD was not yet laid.

7 They gaue money also vnto the Masons, and to the ‖ Carpenters, and meate, and drinke, and oyle, vnto them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to bring Cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of *Ioppa: according to the grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia.

8 ¶ Now in the second yeere of their comming vnto the house of God at Ierusalem, in the second moneth began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Ieshua the son of Iozadak, & the remnant of their brethren the Priests and the Leuites, and all they that were come out of the captiuity vnto Ierusalem: and appointed the Leuites from twenty yeeres old and vpward, to set forward the worke of the house of the LORD.

9 Then stood Ieshua *with* his sonnes and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sonnes, the sonnes of ‖ Iudah † together to set forward ‖ workmen in the house of God: the sonnes of Henadad, with their sonnes and their brethren the Leuites.

10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the Temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparrell with Trumpets, and the Leuites the sonnes of Asaph, with Cymbals, to prayse the LORD, after the *ordinance of Dauid King of Israel.

11 And they sang together by course, in praysing and giuing thankes vnto the LORD; because hee is good, for his mercy endureth for euer towards Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout when they praysed the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

12 But many of the Priests and Leuites, & chiefe of the fathers, who *were* ancient men that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice, and many shouted aloud for ioy.

13 So that the people could not discerne the noyse of the shout of ioy, from the noyse of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noyse was heard afarre off.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *The aduersaries offer to ioyne in building of the Temple, which is refused of them.* 7 *Their letter to Artaxerxes.* 23 *The letter of Artaxerxes.*

NOw when the ‖ aduersaries of Iudah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captiuity builded the Temple vnto the LORD God of Israel,

2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, & the chiefe of the fathers, and said vnto them, Let vs build with you, for we seeke your God as ye do, and we do sacrifice vnto him since the dayes of Esarhaddon King of Asshur, which brought vs vp hither.

3 But Zerubbabel and Ieshua and the rest of the chiefe of the fathers of Israel said vnto them, Ye haue nothing to do with vs to build an house vnto our God, but we our selues together will build vnto the LORD God of Israel, as King Cyrus the King of Persia hath commanded vs.

4 Then the people of the land weakned the hands of the people of Iudah, and troubled them in building.

5 And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose all the dayes of Cyrus King of Persia, euen vntill the reigne of Darius King of Persia.

6 And in the reigne of † Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reigne, wrote they an accusation against the inhabitants of Iudah and Ierusalem.

7 ¶ And in the dayes of Artaxerxes, wrote Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of their companions vnto Artaxerxes King of Persia: and the writing of the letter was written in the Syrian tongue, and interpreted in the Syrian tongue.

8 Rehum the chancellour, and ‖ Shimshai the Scribe, wrote a letter against Ierusalem to Artaxerxes the King in this sort.

9 Then *wrote* Rehum the chancellour, and Shimshai the Scribe, and the rest of their companions, the Dinaites, § Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the Apharsites, the Archevites, the Babylonians, the Susanchites, the Dehavites, and the Elamites,

10 And the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnapper brought ouer, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest that are on this side the riuer, † and at such a time.

11 ¶ This is the copy of the letter that they sent vnto him, *even* vnto Artaxerxes the King; Thy seruants on this side the riuer, † and at such a time.

12 Be it known vnto the King, that the Iewes which came vp from thee to vs, are come vnto Ierusalem, building the rebellious and the bad city, and haue ‖ set vp the walles thereof, and ioyned the foundations.

13 Be it knowne now vnto the King, that if this city be builded and the walles set vp againe, they will not † pay toll, tribute, and custome, and so thou shalt endomage the Kings.

14 Now because we haue maintenance from the Kings palace, and it was not meete for vs to see the Kings dishonour, therefore haue we sent and certified the King,

15 That search may be made in the booke of the Records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the booke of the Records, and know that this city is a rebellious city, and hurtfull vnto Kings and prouinces, and that they haue moued sedition † within the same of old time: for the which cause was this city destroyed.

16 We certifie the King, that if this city be builded *againe*, and the walles thereof set vp, by this meanes thou shalt haue no portion on this side the Riuer.

‖ Or, Iosaphat. Hag. 1. 1. *Mat. 1. 12. & Iu. 3. 27. called Zorobabel *Mat. 1. 12. & Iu. 3. 27. called Salathiel. *Deut. 12. 5. *Numb. 29. 12. *Exod. 23. 6. † Hebr. the matter of the day in his daye. † Hebr. Temple of the Lord was not yet founded. ‖ Or, workmen *Act. 9. 3.

‖ Or, Iodaiah, Hodauiah, 3. 9. † Hebr. one.

*1 Chron. 6. 31. and chap. 16. 7. & 25. 1.

‖ Or, aduersaries of Iudah and Benjamin. † Hebr. the sonnes of the captiuity. *Iosh. 10. 10. Iudg. 1. 8. 2 Sam. 5. 9. 1 King. 9. 15. 2 King. 14. 13. 2 Chron. 25. 23. Neh. 3. 8. Ier. 31. 38. Zach. 14. 10. † Hebr. Ahashuerus. ‖ Or, Shimshai the Scribe wrote a letter against Ierusalem to Artaxerxes the King in this sort. § Or, Apharsachites. † Hebr. and at such a time. ‖ Or, haue set vp the walles thereof, and ioyned the foundations. † Hebr. and at such a time. † Hebr. giue. † Hebr. within the same.

Then sent the King an answer vnto Rehum
ncellor, and to Shimshai the Scribe, and to
of their companions that dwell in Samа-
vnto the rest beyond the riuer, Peace, and
time.
e letter which ye sent vnto vs, hath beene
read before me.
nd I commanded, and search hath beene
nd it is found, that this city of old time
made insurrection against Kings, and that
in seditions haue been made therein.
re haue been mighty Kings also ouer Ie-
which haue ruled ouer all countries be-
riuer, and tolle, tribute, and custome was
vnto them.
Giue ye now commandement to cause these
cease, and that this city be not builded vn-
my commandement shall be giuen from me.
ke heed now that ye faile not to doe this: st
ould damage grow to the hurt of the

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as read before Rehum, and Shimshai the
and their companions, they went vp in hast
lem vnto the Iewes, and made them to
force and power.
ceased the worke of the house of God,
at Ierusalem. So it ceased vnto the second
the reigne of Darius King of Persia.

CHAP. V.

*Haggai and Zechariah incited by Haggai and
go forward the building of the Temple. 3
Shithar-Boznai could not hinder the
Tatnai write to Darius against the Iewes.*

nd Prophets, Haggai the Prophet and
Zechariah the sonne of Iddo, prophecied vnto
that were in Iudah and Ierusalem, in the
the God of Israel euen vnto them.
n rose vp Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealti-
Iesh the sonne of Iozadak, and began to
e house of God which is at Ierusalem: and
were the Prophets of God helping them.
the same time came to them Tatnai, gou-
on this side the riuer, and Shethar-Bozнai,
companions, and said thus vnto them,
commanded you to build this house,
ke vp this wall?
said we vnto them after this manner,
the names of the men that make this

eye of their God was vpon the Elders
, that they could not cause them to
the matter came to Darius: and then they
answere by letter concerning this matter.
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on this side the riuer, and Shethar-Bozнai, and
ns the Apharsachites, which were on
riuer, sent vnto Darius the King:
sent a letter vnto him, wherein was
n: Vnto Darius the King, all peace.
known vnto the King, that we went in-
ce of Iudea, to the house of the great
is builded with great stones, and tim-
in the walles, and this worke goeth fast
prospereth in their hands.
asked we those Elders, and said vnto
Who commanded you to build this
to make vp these walles?
asked their names also to certifie thee,
we write the names of the men that were
of them.
thus they returned vs answere, saying,
We are the seruants of the God of heauen and earth, and build the house that was builded these many yeres agone, which a great king of Israel built and set vp.
12 But after that our fathers had prouoked the God of heauen vnto wrath, he gaue them into the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babylon, the Caldean, who destroyed this house, and carried the people away into Babylon.
13 But in the first yeere of Cyrus the King of Babylon, the same King Cyrus made a Decree to build this house of God.
14 And the vessels also of gold and siluer of the house of God, which Nebuchad-nezzar tooke out of the Temple that was in Ierusalem, & brought them into the Temple of Babylon, those did Cyrus the King take out of the Temple of Babylon, and they were deliuered vnto one whose name was Sheshbazzar, whom he had made gouernour.
15 And said vnto him, Take these vessels, Go carry them into the Temple that is in Ierusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.
16 Then came the same Sheshbazzar, and laid the foundation of the house of God, which is in Ierusalem. And since that time euen vntil now hath it been in building and yet it is not finished.
17 Now therefore if it seeme good vnto the King, let there be search made in the kings treasure house which is there at Babylon, whether it be so, that a decree was made of Cyrus the King, to build this house of God at Ierusalem: and let the King send his pleasure to vs concerning the matter.

CHAP. VI.

1 Darius finding the decree of Cyrus, maketh a new decree for the commencement of the building. 13 By the helpe of the enemies and the auctorities of the Prophets, the Temple is finished. 16 The feast of the dedication is kept. 19 and the Passeouer.

THen Darius the King made a decree, and search was made in the house of the † Rolles, where the treasures were † laid vp in Babylon.
2 And there was found at † Achmetha, in the palace, that is in the prouince of the Medes, a Roll, and therein was a Record thus written:
3 In the first yeere of Cyrus the King, the same Cyrus the King made a decree concerning the house of God at Ierusalem, Let the house be builded, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strong: † viz. the height thereof three score cubites, and the breadth thereof three score cubites:
4 With three roues of great stones, and a rew of new timber: and let the expences be giuen out of the Kings house.
5 And also let the golden and siluer vessels of the house of God, which Nebuchad-nezzar tooke out of the Temple which is at Ierusalem, and brought vnto Babylon, be restored, and † brought † Cald. goe. again vnto the Temple which is at Ierusalem, euery one to his place, and place them in the house of God.
6 Now therefore, Tatnai, gouernour beyond the riuer, Shethar-Bozнai, and † your companions the Apharsachites, which are beyond the riuer, be ye farre from thence: † Cald. leaue ye.
7 Let the worke of this house of God alone, let the gouernour of the Iewes, and the Elders of the Iewes build this house of God in his place.
8 Moreouer, † I make a decree what ye shall do to the Elders of these Iewes for the building of this house of God: that of the kings goods, euen of the tribute beyond the riuer, forthwith expences be † Cald. by me a decree is made.

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AND when the seuenth moneth was come, and the children of Israel *were* in the cities: the people gathered themselues together as one man to Ierusalem.

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3 And they set the Altar vpon his bases, (for feare *was* vpon them, because of the people of those countries) and they offered burnt offerings thereon vnto the LORD, *euen* burnt offerings morning and euening.

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10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the Temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparrell with Trumpets, and the Leuites the sonnes of Asaph, with Cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the * ordinance of Dauid King of Israel.

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CHAP. IIII.

1 The aduersaries hinder the building of the Temple. 6 with their accusation against it. 7 Their letter to the King of Artaxerxes. 23 The building ceaseth.

NOw when the aduersaries of Iudah and Beniamin heard that the children of the captiuity builded the Temple vnto the LORD God of Israel;

2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, & to the chiefe of the fathers, and said vnto them, Let vs build with you, for we seeke your God as ye do, and we do sacrifice vnto him since the dayes of Esarhaddon King of Assur, which brought vs vp hither.

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8 Rehum the Chancellour and Shimshai the ‖ Scribe, wrote a letter against Ierusalem to Artaxerxes the King in this sort:

9 Then wrote Rehum the Chancellour, and Shimshai the Scribe, and the rest of their companions; the Dinaites, ‖ Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the Apharsites, the Archites, the Babylonians, the Susanchites, the Dehaites, the Elamites,

10 And the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnapper brought ouer, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest that are on this side the riuer, † and at such a time.

11 ¶ This is the copy of the letter that they sent vnto him, *euen* vnto Artaxerxes the King; Thy seruants on this side the riuer, † and at such a time.

12 Be it known vnto the King, that the Iewes which came vp from thee to vs, are come vnto Ierusalem, building the rebellious and the bad citie, and haue † set vp the walles thereof, and ioyned the foundations.

13 Be it knowen now vnto the King, that if this citie be builded, and the walles set vp againe, they will then not pay toll, tribute, and custome, and so thou shalt endamage the reuenue of the Kings.

14 Now because we haue maintenance from the Kings palace, and it was not meete for vs to see the Kings dishonour, therefore haue we sent and certified the King,

15 That search may be made in the booke of the Records of thy fathers: so shalt thou finde in the booke of the Records, and know, that this citie is a rebellious citie, and hurtfull vnto Kings and prouinces, and that they haue moued sedition † within the midst of the same of old time: for the which cause was this citie destroyed.

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vnto the rest beyond the riuer, Peace, and
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and † I commanded, and search hath beene
made, and it is found, that this city of old time
hath made insurrection against Kings, and that
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Who commanded you to build this
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of them.
thus they returned vs answere, saying,
Wee are the seruants of the God of heauen and earth, and build the house that was builded these many yeres agone, which a great king of Israel built and set vp.
12 But after that our fathers had prouoked the God of heauen vnto wrath, he gaue them into the hand of * Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babylon, the Caldean, who destroyed this house, and carried the people away into Babylon.
13 But in the first yeere of * Cyrus the King of Babylon, *the same* King Cyrus made a Decree to build this house of God.
14 And the vessels also of gold and siluer of the house of God, which Nebuchad-nezzar tooke out of the Temple that was in Ierusalem, & brought them into the Temple of Babylon, those did Cyrus the King take out of the Temple of Babylon, and they were deliuered vnto one * whose name was Sheshbazzar, whom he had made † gouernour.
15 And said vnto him, Take these vessells, Go carry them into the Temple that is in Ierusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.
16 Then came the same Sheshbazzar, and laid the foundation of the house of God, which *is* in Ierusalem. And since that time euen vntill now hath it beene in building and yet it is not finished.
17 Now therefore if it seeme good vnto the king let there be search made in the kings treasure house which *is* there at Babylon, whether it be *so*, that a decree was made of Cyrus the King, to build this house of God at Ierusalem: and let the King send his minde to vs concerning this matter.

CHAP. VI.

1 Darius finding the decree of Cyrus, maketh a new decree for the continuance of the building. 13 By the helpe of the enemies and the audience of the Prophets, the Temple is finished. 16 The feast of the dedication is kept. 19 And the Passeouer.

THen Darius the King made a decree, and search was made in the house of the † Rolles, where the treasures were † laid vp in Babylon.
2 And there was found at † Achmetha, in the palace, that *is* in the prouince of the Medes, a Roll, and therein was a Record thus written:
3 In the first yeere of Cyrus the King, the *same* Cyrus the King made a decree concerning the house of God at Ierusalem. Let the house be builded, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid, the height thereof three score cubites, and the breadth thereof three score cubites:
4 *With* three rowes of great stones, and a rew of new timber: and let the expences be giuen out of the Kings house.
5 And also let the golden and siluer vessells of the house of God, which Nebuchad-nezzar tooke out of the Temple which *is* at Ierusalem, and brought vnto Babylon, be restored, and † brought againe vnto the Temple which *is* at Ierusalem, *euery* one to his place, and place them in the house of God.
6 Now † therefore Tatnai, gouernour beyond the riuer, Shethar-Bozenai, and † your companions the Apharsachites, which *are* beyond the riuer, be yee farre from thence:
7 Let the worke of this house of God alone, let the gouernour of the Iewes, and the Elders of the Iewes build this house of God in his place.
8 Moreouer, † I make a decree what ye shall do to the Elders of these Iewes for the building of this house of God: that of the kings goods, euen of the tribute beyond the riuer, forthwith expences be

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* 2 King. 24. 1.
* 2 Kings 24. 2. & 25. 8
* Chap. 2. 2.
* Chap. 1. & 6. 5. & 7. 16. & 8. 24. & 9. 1.
† Heb. lords.
† Heb. search.
† Heb. Babylon.
† Heb. Achmetha.
† Heb. the house of the rolles.
† Heb. shall restore.
† Heb. your place.
† Heb. I set a decree from me.

† Cald. made to cease.

giuen vnto these men, that they bē not †hindred.

9 And that which they haue need of both young bullockes, and rams, and lambes for the burnt offerings of the God of heauen, wheat, salt, wine and oyle, according to the appointment of the Priests which are at Ierusalem, let it bee giuen them day

† Cald. of rest.

by day without faile:

10 That they may offer sacrifices † of sweet sauours vnto the God of heauen, and pray for the life of the King and of his sonnes.

11 Also I haue made a decree, that whosoeuer shal alter this word, let timber be pulled down from his

† Chal. let him be destroyed.

house, and being set vp, let him be † hanged thereon, and let his house be made a dunghill for this.

12 And the God that hath caused his Name to dwell there, destroy all kings and people that shall put to their hand, to alter and to destroy this house of God which is at Ierusalem. I Darius haue made a decree, let it be done with speede.

13 ¶ Then Tatnai gouernour on this side the riuer; Shethar-bozenai, and their companions, according to that which Darius the King had sent, so they did speedily.

14 And the Elders of the Iewes builded, and they prospered through the prophecying of Haggai the Prophet, and Zechariah the sonne of Iddo, and they builded and finished it, according to the commandement of the God of Israel, and according to the

† Cald. decree.

† commandement of Cyrus and Darius, and Artaxerces King of Persia.

15 And this house was finished on the third day of the moneth Adar, which was in the sixt yeere of the reigne of Darius the King.

16 ¶ And the children of Israel, the Priests and

† Cald. the sonnes of the transportation.

the Leuites, and the rest of † the children of the captiuity, kept the dedication of this house of God with ioy;

17 And offered at the dedication of this house of God, an hundred bullockes, two hundred rams, foure hundred lambs; and for a sinne offering for all Israel, twelue he goates, according to the number of the tribes of Israel.

18 And they set the Priests in their diuisions and the Leuites in their courses, for the seruice of God

† Cald. according to the writing. * Num. 3.6. and 8.9.

which is at Ierusalem, † * as it is written in the booke of Moses.

19 And the children of the captiuity kept the Passeouer, vpon the fourteenth day of the first moneth:

20 For the Priests and the Leuites were purified together, all of them were pure, & killed the Passeouer for all the children of the captiuity, and for their brethren the Priests, and for themselues.

21 And the children of Israel which were come againe out of captiuity, and all such as had separated themselues vnto them, from the filthinesse of the heathen of the land, to seeke the LORD God of Israel, did eate,

22 And kept the feast of vnleauened bread seuen dayes with ioy: for the LORD had made them ioyfull, and turned the heart of the king of Assyria vnto them, to strengthen their hands in the worke of the house of God, the God of Israel.

CHAP. VII.

1 Ezra goeth vp to Ierusalem. 11 The gratious commission of Artaxerxes to Ezra. 27 Ezra blesseth God for his fauour.

NOw after these things, in the reigne of Artaxerxes King of Persia, Ezra the sonne of Seraiah, the sonne of Azariah, the sonne of Hilkiah,

2 The sonne of Shallum, the sonne of Zadok, the sonne of Ahitub,

3 The sonne of Amariah, the sonne of Azariah, the sonne of Meraioth,

4 The sonne of Zeraiah, the son of Vzzi, the sonne of Bukki,

5 The sonne of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the sonne of Eleazer, the sonne of Aaron the chiefe Priest:

6 This Ezra went vp from Babylon, and he was a ready Scribe in the Law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had giuen: and the King granted him all his requeste, according to the hand of the LORD his God vpon him.

7 And there went vp some of the children of Israel, and of the Priests and the Leuites, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims vnto Ierusalem, in the seuenth yeere of Artaxerxes the King.

8 And he came to Ierusalem in the fifth moneth, which was in the seuenth yeere of the King.

9 For vpon the first day of the first moneth began he to goe vp from Babylon, and on the first of the fifth moneth came he to Ierusalem, according to the good hand of his God vpon him.

10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seeke the Law of the LORD, and to doe it, and to teach in Israel, Statutes and Iudgements.

11 ¶ Now this is the copy of the letter that King Artaxerxes gaue to Ezra the Priest, the scribe, euen a Scribe of the words of the commandements of the LORD, and of his statutes to Israel.

12 Artaxerxes King of kings, ¶ Vnto Ezra the Priest, a Scribe of the Law of the God of heauen, Perfect peace, and at such a time.

13 I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and of his Priests, and Leuites in my realme, which are minded of their owne free will to go vp to Ierusalem, goe with thee.

14 Forasmuch as thou art sent † of the King, and of his * seuen Counsellers, to enquire concerning Iudah and Ierusalem, according to the Law of thy God, which is in thine hand;

15 And to carry the siluer and gold which the King and his Counsellers haue freely offered vnto the God of Israel, whose habitation is in Ierusalem,

16 * And all the siluer and gold that thou canst find in all the prouince of Babylon, with the freewill offering of the people, and of the Priests, offering willingly for the house of their God, which is in Ierusalem:

17 That thou maiest buy speedily with this money bullockes, rames, lambes, with their meate offerings, and their drinke offerings, and offer them vpon the Altar of the house of your God, which is in Ierusalem:

18 And whatsoeuer shall seeme good to thee, and to thy brethren to doe with the rest of the siluer and gold; that doe after the will of your God.

19 The vessels also that are giuen thee for the seruice of the house of thy God, those deliuer thou before the God of Ierusalem.

20 And whatsoeuer more shall be needful for the house of thy God, which thou shalt haue occasion to bestow, bestow it out of the Kings house.

21 And I, euen I Artaxerxes the King, do make a decree to all the treasurers which are beyond the riuer, that whatsoeuer Ezra the Priest, the scribe of the Law of the God of heauen, shall require of you, let it be done speedily.

22 Vnto an hundred talents of siluer, and to an hundred measures of wheate, and to an hundred baths of wine, and to an hundred baths of oyle, and salt without prescribing how much.

† Whatsoeuer is commanded by the God of
n, let it bee diligently done for the house of
God of heauen: for why should there be wrath
ist the realme of the King and his sonnes?
Also we certifie you, that touching any of the
n, and Leuites, Singers, Porters, Nethinims, or
inisters of this house of God, it shall not bee law-
ll to impose toll, tribute, or custome vpon them.
And thou Ezra, after the wisdome of thy God
is in thine hand, set Magistrates and Iudges,
h may iudge all the people that are beyond
uer, all such as know the Lawes of thy God,
d teach ye them that know them not.
And whosoeuer will not doe the Law of thy
, and the law of the king, let iudgement be exe-
ted speedily vpon him, whether it be vnto death,
† banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or
imprisonment.
¶ Blessed be the LORD God of our fathers,
ch hath put such a thing as this in the Kings
art, to beautifie the house of the LORD which is
Ierusalem.
And hath extended mercy vnto me before the
g and his Counsellers, and before all the Kings
ty princes, and I was strengthened as the hand
the LORD my God was vpon me, and I gathe-
ed together out of Israel, chiefe men to goe vp
h me.

CHAP. VIII.

*The companions of Ezra, who returned from
Iuda. 15 He sendeth to Iddo for Ministers for
the Temple. 21 He keepeth a fast. 24 He commit-
teth the treasures to the custody of the Priests. 31
Ahava they come to Ierusalem. 33 The trea-
sure weighed in the Temple. 36 The Commission
delivered.*

These are now the chiefe of their fathers, and
this is the genealogie of them that went vp
with me from Babylon, in the reigne of Artaxerxes
the King.
Of the sonnes of Phinehas, Gershom: of the
sonnes of Ithamar, Daniel: of the sonnes of Dauid,
Hattush.
Of the sonnes of Shechaniah, of the sonnes of
Pharoh, Zechariah, and with him were reckoned
by genealogie of the males, an hundred and fifty.
Of the sonnes of Pahath-Moab, Elihoenai
the sonne of Zerahiah: and with him two hundred
males.
Of the sonnes of Shechaniah, the sonne of Iaha-
ziel and with him three hundred males.
Of the sonnes also of Adin, Ebed the sonne of
Ionathan, and with him fifty males.
And of the sonnes of Elam, Iesaiah the sonne
of Athaliah, and with him seuenty males.
And of the sons of Shephatiah, Zebadiah, the
sonne of Michael, and with him fourescore males.
Of the sonnes of Ioab, Obadiah the sonne of
Iehiel, and with him two hundred and eighteene
males.
And of the sonnes of Shelomith, the sonne of
Iosiphiah, and with him an hundred and threescore
males.
And of the sonnes of Bebai, Zechariah the son
of Bebai, and with him twenty and eight males.
And of the sons of Azgad, Iohanan ‖ the son of
Hakatan, and with him an hundred and ten males.
And of the last sonnes of Adonikam, whose
names are these: Eliphelet, Iehiel, and Shemaiah,
and with them threescore males.
And of the sons also of Biguai, Vthai, and ‖ Zab-
bud with them seuenty males.

15 ¶ And I gathered them together to the river
that runneth to Ahava, & there ‖ abode we in tents *Or,*
three dayes: and I viewed the people, and the *pitched.*
Priests, and found there none of the sonnes of Leui.
16 Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shema-
iah, and for Elnathan, and for Iarib, and for Elna-
than, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for
Meshullam, chiefe men; also for Iarib, and for El-
nathan, men of vnderstanding.
17 And I sent them with commandement vnto
Iddo the chiefe at the place Casiphia, and I ‖ told *I put*
them what they should say vnto Iddo, and to his *words*
brethren the Nethinims, at the place Casiphia, that *in their*
they should bring vnto vs Ministers for the house *mouth.*
of our God.
18 And by the good hand of our God vpon vs,
they brought vs a man of vnderstanding, of the sons
of Mahli, the son of Leui, the son of Israel, and She-
rebiah with his sonnes, and his brethren eighteene.
19 And Hashabiah, and with him Iesaiah of the
sons of Merari, his brethren, and their sons, twenty.
20 * Also of the Nethinims, whom Dauid and *See* cha.
the Princes had appointed for the seruice of the 2.43.
Leuites, two hundred and twenty Nethinims: all
of them were expressed by name.
21 ¶ Then I proclaimed a Fast there, at the river
Ahava, that we might afflict our selues before our
God, to seeke of him a right way for vs, and for our
little ones, and for all our substance.
22 For I was ashamed to require of the King a
band of souldiers and horsemen to helpe vs against
the enemy in the way: because we had spoken vnto
the King, saying, The hand of our God is vpon all
them for good that seeke him, but his power and
his wrath is against all them that forsake him.
23 So we fasted, and besought our God for this,
and he was intreated of vs.
24 ¶ Then I separated twelue of the chiefe of the
Priests, Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of their bre-
thren with them,
25 And weighed vnto them the siluer & the gold,
and the vessels, euen the offering of the house of
our God, which the King and his Counsellers, and
his lords, and all Israel there present had offered:
26 I euen weighed vnto their hand six hundred
and fifty talents of siluer, and siluer vessels an hun-
dred talents, and of gold an hundred talents:
27 Also twenty basins of gold, of a thousand
drammes, and two vessels of † fine copper, † precio- † *Hebr.*
us as gold. *yellow or*
28 And I said vnto them, Yee are holy vnto the *shining*
LORD, the vessels are holy also, and the siluer and *brasse.*
the gold are a free-will offering vnto the LORD † *Hebr.*
God of your fathers. *desirable*
29 Watch yee, and keepe them vntill yee weigh
them before the chiefe of the Priestes, and the Le-
uites, and chiefe of the fathers of Israel at Ieru-
salem, in the chambers of the house of the LORD.
30 So took the Priests and the Leuites the weight
of the siluer, and the gold, and the vessels, to bring
them to Ierusalem vnto the house of our God.
31 ¶ Then we departed from the riuer of Ahava,
on the twelfth day of the first moneth, to goe vnto
Ierusalem: and the hand of our God was vpon vs,
and hee deliuered vs from the hand of the enemy,
and of such as lay in wait by the way.
32 And wee came to Ierusalem, and abode there
three dayes.
33 ¶ Now on the fourth day was the siluer and
the gold, & the vessels weighed in the house of our
God, by the hand of Meremoth the sonne of Vriah
the Priest, and with him was Eleazar the sonne of
Phinehas,

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Phinehas, and with them was Iozabad the sonne of Iesh-ua, and Noadiah the sonne of Binnui, Leuites:

34 By number and by weight of euery one: and all the weight was written at that time.

35 Also the children of those that had been caried away, which were come out of the captiuity offered burnt offerings vnto the God of Israel, twelue bullocks, for all Israel, ninety and sixe rammes, seuenty and seuen lambs, twelue he-goats for a sinne offring: all this was a burnt offering vnto the LORD.

36 ¶ And they deliuered the Kings Commissions vnto the Kings Lieutenants, and to the Gouernours on this side the riuer, and they furthered the people, and the house of God.

CHAP. IX.

1 Ezra mourneth for the affinity of the people with strangers. 5 He prayeth vnto God with confession of sinnes.

NOw when these things were done, the Princes came to me, saying, The people of Israel, and the Priests & the Leuites, haue not separated themselues from the people of the lands, doing according to their abominations, euen of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Iebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, & the Amorites.

2 For they haue taken of their daughters for themselues, and for their sonnes: so that the holy seed haue mingled themselues with the people of those lands: yea, the hand of the Princes and Rulers haue been chiefe in this trespasse.

3 And when I heard this thing, I rent my garment, and my mantle, and plucked off the haire of my head, and of my beard, and sate downe astonied.

4 Then were assembled vnto mee euery one that feared at the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had been caried away, & I sate astonied vntill the euening sacrifice.

5 ¶ And at the euening sacrifice I arose vp from my heauinesse, and hauing rent my garment and my mantle, I fell vpon my knees, and spread out my hands vnto the LORD my God,

‖ Or, affliction.

6 And said, O my God I am ashamed, and blush to lift vp my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased ouer our head: and our ‖ trespasse is growne vp vnto the heauens.

‖ Or, guiltinesse.

7 Since the dayes of our fathers haue we been in a great trespasse vnto this day, and for our iniquities haue we, our Kings, and our Priests bin deliuered into the hand of the Kings of the lands, to the sword, to captiuity, and to a spoile, and to confusion of face, as it is this day.

† Hebr. moment.

8 And now for † a little space grace hath been shewed from the LORD our God, to leaue vs a remnant to escape, and to giue vs a ‖ naile in his holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and giue vs a little reuiuing in our bondage.

‖ That is, a constant and sure abode.

9 For we were bondmen, yet our God hath not forsaken vs in our bondage, but hath extended mercy vnto vs in the sight of the Kings of Persia, to giue vs a reuiuing to set vp the house of our God, and † to repaire the desolations thereof, and to giue vs a wall in Iudah, and in Ierusalem.

† Hebr. to set vp.

10 And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we haue forsaken thy Commandements,

11 Which thou hast commanded by † thy seruants the Prophets, saying, * The land vnto which ye go to possesse it, is an vncleane land, with the filthinesse of the people of the landes with their abominations which haue filled it † from one end to another with their vncleanesse.

† Hebr. by the hand of thy seruants.

* Exod. 23.32. deut. 7.3.

12 Now therefore giue not your daughters vnto their sons, neither take their daughters vnto your sonnes, nor seeke their peace, or their wealth euer: that yee may be strong, and eate the good of the land, and leaue it for an inheritance to your children for euer.

‖ Hebr. from mouth to mouth,

13 And after all that is come vpon vs for our euill deeds, and for our great trespasse, seeing that thou our God † hast punished vs lesse then our iniquities deserue, and hast giuen vs such deliuerance as this:

† Hebr. hast withheld.

14 Should wee againe breake thy Commandements, and ioyne in affinitie with the people of these abominations? wouldest not thou be angry with vs till thou hadst consumed vs, so that there should be no remnant nor escaping?

15 O LORD God of Israel, thou art righteous: for we remaine yet escaped, as it is this day: behold, we are before thee in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before thee because of this.

CHAP. X.

1 Shechaniah encourageth Ezra to reforme the strange marriages. 6 Ezra mourneth for the people. 9 The people repent and promise amendment. 16 Ezra performeth it. 18 The names of those that had strange wiues.

NOw when Ezra had prayed, and when he had confessed, weeping and casting himself downe before the house of God, there assembled vnto him out of Israel, a very great congregation of men, and women, and children: for the people † wept very sore.

† Hebr. wept a great weeping.

2 And Shechaniah the sonne of Iehiel, one of the sonnes of Elam, answered and said vnto Ezra, We haue trespassed against our God, and haue taken strange wiues of the people of the land: yet now there is hope in Israel concerning this thing.

3 Now therefore let vs make a couenant with our God, † to put away all the wiues, and such as are borne of them, according to the counsell of my lord, and of those that tremble at the commandement of our God, and let it be done according to the Law.

† Hebr. to cause to go out.

4 Arise, for this matter belongeth vnto thee: we also will be with thee: be of good courage, and do it.

5 Then arose Ezra, and made the chiefe Priests, the Leuites, & all Israel sweare that they should do according to this word. So they sware.

6 ¶ Then Ezra rose vp from before the house of God, and went into the chamber of Iehohanan the sonne of Eliashib: and when he came thither, he did eat no bread, nor drink water: for he mourned because of the transgression of them that had been carried away.

7 And they made proclamation throughout Iudah and Ierusalem, vnto all the children of the captiuity, that they should gather themselues together vnto Ierusalem:

8 And that whosoeuer would not come within three dayes, according to the counsell of the princes and the Elders, all his substance should be forfeited, and himselfe separated from the congregation of those that had been caried away.

9 ¶ Then all the men of Iudah and Benjamin gathered themselues together vnto Ierusalem within three dayes: it was the ninth moneth, and the twentieth day of the moneth, and all the people sate in the street of the house of God, trembling because of this matter, and for the great raine.

10 And Ezra the Priest stood vp, and said vnto them, Ye haue trespassed, and haue taken strange wiues, to increase the trespasse of Israel.

11 Now therefore giue glory to the LORD God of your fathers,

separate your selues from the people of the
and from the strange wiues.
Then all the Congregation answered & said
a loud voice, As thou hast said, so must we do:
But the people are many, and it is a time of
rayne, and we are not able to stand without;
ner is this a worke of one day or two: for we
many that haue trangressed in this thing.
Let now our Rulers of all the Congregation
, and let all them which haue taken strange
wiues in our cities, come at appointed times, and
them the Elders of euery city, and the Iudges
eof, vntill the fierce wrath of our God for this
ter be turned from vs.
¶ Onely Ionathan the son of Asahel, and Ia-
the sonne of Tikuah † were employed about
matter: and Meshullam, and Shabbethai the
te helped them.
And the children of the captiuity did so: and
the Priest, with certaine chiefe of the fathers,
the house of their fathers, and all of them, by
names were separated, and sate downe in the
day of the tenth moneth, to examine ỹ matter.
nd they made an end with all the men that
taken strange wiues, by the first day of the first
th.
¶ And among the sonnes of the Priests, there
found that had taken strange wiues: namely,
sons of Ieshua, the son of Iozadak, & his bre-
Maasiah, and Eliezer, & Iarib, and Gedaliah.
And they gaue their hands, that they would
ow their wiues: and being guiltie, they offe-
ramme of the flocke for their trespasse.
And of the sons of Immer, Hanani, and Zeba-

And of the sonnes of Harim, Maasiah, and
, and Shemaiah, and Iehiel, and Vzziah.
And of the sonnes of Pashur: Elioenai, Maa-
Ishmael, Nethaneel, Iozabad, and Elasah.

23 Also of the Leuites: Iozabad, and Shimei, and
Kelaiah, (the same is Kelitah) Pethahiah, Iehudah, and
Eliezer.
24 Of the singers also, Eliashib, and of the por-
ters, Shallum, and Telem, and Vri.
25 Moreouer, of Israel of the sonnes of Parosh:
Ramiah, and Iesiah, and Malchiah, and Miamin, and
Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah.
26 And of the sons of Elam: Mattaniah, Zecha-
riah, and Iehiel, and Abdi, and Ieremoth, and Eliah.
27 And of the sons of Zattu: Elioenai, Eliashib,
Mattaniah, and Ieremoth, and Zabad, and Aziza.
28 Of the sonnes also of Bebai: Iehohanan, Ha-
naniah, Zabbai, and Athlai.
29 And of the sons of Bani: Meshullam, Mal-
luch, and Adaiah, Iashub, and Sheal, and Ramoth.
30 And of the sons of Pahath Moab: Adna, and
Chelal, Benaiah, Maasiah, Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and
Binnui, and Manasseh.
31 And of the sons of Harim: Eliezer, Ishijah,
Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon.
32 Beniamin, Malluch, and Shemariah.
33 Of the sons of Hashum: Mattenai, Mattatha,
Zabad, Eliphelet, Ieremai, Manasseh, and Shimei.
34 Of the sonnes of Bani: Maadai, Amram, and
Vel,
35 Benaiah, Bedaiah, Chelluh,
36 Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib,
37 Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Iaasau,
38 And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei,
39 And Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah,
40 § Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai, [§ Or, Mahnadebai, according to some copies.
41 Azareel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah,
42 Shallum, Amariah, and Ioseph.
43 Of the sons of Nebo: Iehiel, Mattithiah, Za-
bad, Zebina, Iaddai, and Ioel, Benaiah.
44 All these had taken strange wiues: and
some of them had wiues, by whom they had
children.

¶ THE BOOKE OF NEHEMIAH.

CHAP. I.

Nehemiah vnderstanding by Hanani, the state of Ierusalem, mourneth, fasteth, and prayeth. He prayeth.

THE words of Nehemiah the sonne of Hachaliah. And it came to passe in the moneth Chisleu, in the twentieth yeere, as I was in Shushan the palace,
2 That Hanani one of my brethren he and certaine men of Iudah, and I asked concerning the Iewes that had escaped, which left of the captiuity, & concerning Ierusalem. and they said vnto me, The remnant that are the captiuity there in the prouince, are in affliction and reproach: the wall of Ierusa- is broken downe, and the gates thereof burnt with fire.
4 And it came to passe when I heard these words, that I sate downe and wept, and mourned certaine dayes, and fasted, and prayed before the God of heauen,
5 And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heauen, the great and terrible God, that keepeth couenant and mercy for them that loue him, and keep his Commandements:
6 Let thine eare now be attentiue, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest heare the prayer of thy seruant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the children of Israel thy seruants, and confesse the sinnes of the children of Israel, which we haue sinned against thee: both I and my fathers house haue sinned.
7 We haue dealt very corruptly against thee, and haue not kept the Commandements, nor the Statutes, nor the iudgements, which thou commandedst thy seruant Moses.
8 Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy seruant Moses, saying, If ye transgresse, I will scatter you abroad among the nations. *Deut. 4. 25, &c.
9 But if ye turne vnto mee, and keepe my Commandements, and doe them: though there were of you cast out vnto the vttermost part of the heauen, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them vnto the place that I haue chosen, to set my Name there. *Deut. 30. 4.
10 Now these are thy seruants, and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand.
11 O LORD, I beseech thee, let now thine eare be attentiue to the prayer of thy seruant, and to the prayer of thy seruants, who desire to feare thy Name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy seruant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was the Kings cup-bearer.

1. filia redimendi Sp. S. anc. liberauit. Irenæus.

CHAP. II.

1 Artaxerxes understanding the cause of Nehemiahs sadnesse, sendeth him with letters and commission to Ierusalem. 9 Nehemiah to the griefe of the enemies, commeth to Ierusalem. 12 He vieweth secretly the ruines of the wals. 17 He inciteth the Iewes to build, in despite of the enemies

AND it came to passe in the moneth Nisan, in the twentieth yeere of Artaxerxes the King, that wine was before him and I tooke vp the wine, and gaue it vnto the King: Now I had not beene *before time* sad in his presence.

2 Wherefore the King said vnto mee, Why is thy countenance sad, seeing thou art not sicke? this is nothing *els* but sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid,

3 And said vnto the King, Let the King liue for euer: why should not my countenance be sad, when the citie, the place of my fathers sepulchres lyeth waste, & the gates thereof are consumed with fire?

4 Then ‖ the kingsaid vnto me, For what doest thou make request? so I prayed to the God of heauen.

5 And I said vnto the King, If it please the King, and if thy seruant haue found fauour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send mee vnto Iudah, vnto the citie of my fathers sepulchres, that I may build it.

6 And the king said vnto me, (the † Queene also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy iourney be? and when wilt thou returne? So it pleased the King to send me, and I set him a time.

7 Moreouer, I said vnto the King, If it please the King, let letters be giuen me to the gouernours beyond the riuer, that they may conuey mee ouer, till I come into Iudah,

8 And a letter vnto Asaph, the keeper of the Kings forrest, that he may giue me timber to make beames for the gates of the palace which *appertained* to the house, and for the wall of the citie, and for the house that I shall enter into: and the King granted me according to the good hand of my God vpon me.

9 ¶ Then I came to the gouernours beyond the riuer, & gaue them the Kings letters. (Now the King had sent captains of the army, & horsemen with me.)

10 When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the seruant, the Ammonite heard of it, it grieued them exceedingly, that there was come a man to seeke the welfare of the children of Israel.

11 So I came to Ierusalem, and was there three dayes.

12 ¶ And I arose in the night, I and some few men with me, neither told I any man what God had put in my heart to doe at Ierusalem: neither was there any beast with me, saue the beast that I rode vpon.

13 And I went out by night, by the gate of the valley, euen before the dragon-well, and to the dung-port, and viewed the walles of Ierusalem, which were broken downe, and the gates thereof were consumed with fire.

14 Then I went on to the gate of the fountaine, and to the Kings poole: but there was no place for the beast that was vnder me to passe.

15 Then went I vp in the night by the brooke, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and entred by the gate of the valley, and so returned.

16 And the Rulers knew not whither I went, or what I did, neither had I as yet told it to the Iewes, nor to the Priests, nor to the Nobles, nor to the Rulers, nor to the rest that did the worke.

17 ¶ Then said I vnto them, Ye see the distresse that we are in, how Ierusalem lieth waste, and the gates thereof are burnt with fire: come, and let vs build vp the wall of Ierusalem, that we be no more a reproach.

18 Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good vpon me, as also the Kings words that he had spoken vnto mee. And they said, Let vs rise vp and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good worke

19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the seruant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian heard it, they laughed vs to scorne, and despised vs, and said, What is this thing that ye do? will ye rebell against the King?

20 Then answered I them, and said vnto them, The God of heauen he will prosper vs, therefore we his seruants will arise and build: but ye haue no portion, nor right, nor memoriall in Ierusalem.

CHAP. III.

1 The names and order of them that builded the wall.

THen Eliashib the high Priest rose vp with his brethren the Priests, and they built the sheepe gate, they sanctified it, and set vp the doores of it, euen vnto the tower of Meah they sanctified it, vnto the tower of Hananeel.

2 And † next vnto him builded the men of Iericho: and next to them builded Zaccur the sonne of Imri.

3 But the fish gate did the sonnes of Senaah build, who also laid the beames thereof, and set vp the doores thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

4 And next vnto them repaired Meremoth the sonne of Vriah, the sonne of Koz. And next vnto them repaired Meshullam the sonne of Berechiah the sonne of Meshezabeel. And next vnto them repaired Zadok the sonne of Baana.

5 And next vnto them the Tekoites repaired: but their Nobles put not their necks to the worke of their LORD.

6 Moreouer, the old gate repaired Ioiada the son of Paseah, and Meshullam the son of Besodeiah: they laid the beame of the same, and set vp the doores thereof, and the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

7 And next vnto them repaired Melatiah the Gibeonite, and Iadon the Meronothite, the men of Gibeon, & of Mizpah, vnto the throne of the gouernour on this side the riuer.

8 Next vnto him repaired Vzziel the sonne of Harhaiah of the goldsmiths. Next vnto him also repaired Hananiah the sonne of one of the apothecaries, and they fortified Ierusalem vnto the broad wall.

9 And next vnto them repaired Rephaiah the sonne of Hur, the Ruler of the halfe part of Ierusalem.

10 And next vnto them repaired Iedaiah the sonne of Harumaph, euen ouer against his house. And next vnto him repaired Hattush the sonne of Hashabneiah.

11 Malchiah the sonne of Harim, and Hashub the sonne of Pahath-moab repaired the other piece, and the tower of the furnaces.

12 And next vnto him repaired Shallum the sonne of Hallohesh, the Ruler of the halfe part of Ierusalem, he and his daughters.

13 The valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of Zanoah: they built it, and set vp the doores thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and a thousand cubits on the wall vnto the dung gate.

14 But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the sonne of Rechab, the Ruler of the part of Beth-haccerem: he built it, and set vp the doores thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

10 But the gate of the fountaine repaired Shallun the sonne of Colhozeh, the ruler of part of the ‖ ſ. Mizpah. part of Mizpah, he built it, and couered it, and ſet vp the doores thereof, the lockes thereof, and the barres thereof, and the wall of the poole of *Siloah by the Kings garden, and vnto the ſtaires that goe downe from the city of Dauid.

16 After him repaired Nehemiah the ſonne of Azbuk the ruler of the halfe part of Beth-zur, vnto the place ouer against the ſepulchres of Dauid, and vnto the poole that was made, * and vnto the houſe of the mighty.

17 After him repaired the Leuites, Rehum the ſonne of Bani: next vnto him repaired Hashabiah ruler of the halfe part of Keilah in his part.

18 After him repaired their brethren, Bauai the ſonne of Henadad ruler of the halfe part of Keilah.

19 And next to him repaired Ezer the ſonne of Ieſhua the ruler of Mizpah, another piece, ouer againſt the going vp to the armory, at the turning of the wall.

20 After him Baruch the ſonne of ‖ Zabbai, earneſtly repaired the other piece, from the turning of the wall, vnto the doore of the houſe of Eliashib the high Prieſt.

21 After him repaired Meremoth the ſonne of Vrijah, the ſonne of Koz another piece, from the doore of the houſe of Eliashib, euen to the end of the houſe of Eliashib.

22 And after him repaired the Prieſts, the men of the plaine.

23 After them repaired Beniamin, & Hashub, ouer against their houſe: after him repaired Azariah the ſonne of Maaſeiah, ſ ſon of Ananiah, by his houſe.

24 After him repaired Binnui the ſonne of Henadad another piece, from the houſe of Azariah, vnto the turning of the wall, euen vnto the corner.

25 Palal the ſonne of Vzai, ouer against the turning of the wall, & the tower which lieth out from the kings high houſe, that was by the court of the priſon. After him Pedaiah the ſonne of Parosh.

26 Moreouer the Nethinims dwelt in *Ophel, vnto the place ouer against the water-gate, toward the eaſt, and the tower that lieth out.

27 After them the Tekoites repaired another piece againſt the great tower that lieth out, euen vnto the wall of Ophel.

28 From aboue the horſe-gate repaired the Prieſts, euery one ouer against his houſe.

29 After them repaired Zadok the ſonne of Immer ouer against his houſe: after him repaired alſo Shemaiah the ſonne of Shechaniah, the keeper of the Eaſt gate.

30 After him repaired Hananiah the ſon of Shelemiah, and Hanun the ſixt ſonne of Zalaph, another piece: after him repaired Meſhullam the ſonne of Berechiah ouer againſt his chamber.

31 After him repaired Malchiah the goldſmiths ſonne vnto the place of the Nethinims, and of the marchants ouer against the gate Miphkad, and to the going vp of the corner.

32 And betweene the going vp of the corner vnto the ſheepe-gate, repaired the goldſmiths and the marchants.

CHAP. IIII.

While the enemies ſcoffe, Nehemiah prayeth, and maketh the worke. 9 While ſtanding the aſſaults of the enemy, he ſetteth a watch, and incourageth the labourers, 19 and giueth inſtructions.

1 But when Sanballat heard that we builded the wall, he was wroth, and tooke great indignation, and mocked the Iewes.

2 And he ſpake before his brethren, and the army of Samaria, and ſaid, What doe theſe feeble Iewes? will they † fortifie themſelues? will they ſacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they reuiue the ſtones out of the heapes of the rubbiſh which are burnt?

3 Now Tobiah the Ammonite *was* by him, and he ſaid, Euen that which they build, if a fox goe vp, he ſhall euen breake downe their ſtone wall.

4 Heare, O our God, for we are † deſpiſed: and turne their reproach vpon their owne head, and giue them for a prey in the land of captiuity.

5 And couer not their iniquity, and let not their ſinne be blotted out from before thee, for they haue prouoked *thee* to anger before the builders.

6 So built we the wall, and all the wall was ioyned together vnto the halfe thereof: for the people had a mind to worke.

7 ¶ But it came to paſſe that when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Aſhdodites, heard that the walls of Ieruſalem † were made vp, and that the breaches began to be ſtopped, then they were very wroth,

8 And conſpired all of them together, to come and to fight againſt Ieruſalem, and † to hinder it.

9 Neuertheleſſe, we made our prayer vnto our God, and ſet a watch againſt them day and night, becauſe of them.

10 And Iudah ſaid, The ſtrength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and *there is* much rubbiſh, ſo that we are not able to build the wall.

11 And our aduerſaries ſaid, They ſhall not know, neither ſee, till we come in the midſt among them, and ſlay them, and cauſe the worke to ceaſe.

12 And it came to paſſe, that when the Iewes which dwelt by them, came they ſaid vnto vs ten times, ‖ From all places whence ye ſhall returne vnto vs, *they will be vpon you.*

13 ¶ Therefore ſet I † in the lower places behind the wall, and on the higher places, I euen ſet the people after their families, with their ſwords, their ſpeares, and their bowes.

14 And I looked, and roſe vp, and ſaid vnto the Nobles, and to the Rulers, and to the reſt of the people, Be not yee afraid of them: Remember the Lord which is great and terrible, and fight for your brethren, your ſonnes and your daughters, your wiues and your houſes.

15 And it came to paſſe, when our enemies heard that it was knowne vnto vs, and God had brought their counſell to nought, that we returned all of vs to the wall, euery one vnto his worke.

16 And it came to paſſe from that time forth, that the halfe of my ſeruants wrought in † the worke, and the one halfe of them held both the ſpeares, the ſhields, and the bowes, and the habergions, and the Rulers were behind all the houſe of Iudah.

17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with thoſe that laded, *euery one* with one of his hands wrought in the worke, and with the other *hand* held a weapon.

18 For the builders euery one had his ſword girded † by his ſide, and ſo builded: and he that ſounded the trumpet *was* by me.

19 ¶ And I ſaid vnto the Nobles, and to the Rulers, and to the reſt of the people, The worke is great and large, and we are ſ ſeparated vpon the wall one farre from another.

20 In what place therefore yee heare the ſound of the trumpet, reſort yee thither vnto vs: our God ſhall fight for vs.

* Heb. Siloah.

† Heb. I haue to ſhew ſelues.

† Heb. deſpiſed.

† Heb. aſcended.

† Heb. to make an end.

‖ Or, shall come vnto vs from all places, ye muſt returne vnto vs.

† Heb. from the lower parts of the place.

Iob. 14. 21. for in my hand I wrought.

† Heb. on his loynes.

21 So wee laboured in the worke: and halfe of them held the speares, from the rising of the morning, till the starres appeared.

22 Likewise at the same time said I vnto the people, Let euery one with his seruant, lodge within Ierusalem, that in the night they may be a guard to vs, and labour on the day.

‖ *Or, euery one went with his weapon for watre.*

23 So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my seruants, nor the men of the guard which followed me, none of vs put off our clothes, ‖ *saue that* euery one put them off for washing.

CHAP. V.

1 *The Iewes complaine of their debt, morgage, and bondage.* 6 *Nehemiah rebuketh the vsurers, and causeth them to make a couenant of restitution.* 14 *He forbeareth his owne allowance, and keepeth hospitalitie.*

AND there was a great cry of the people, and of their wiues, against their brethren the Iewes.

2 For there were that said, We, our sonnes, and our daughters are many: therefore wee take vp corne *for them*, that we may eate and liue.

3 Some also there were that said, We haue morgaged our lands, vineyards, and houses, that wee might buy corne because of the dearth.

4 There were also that said, We haue borrowed money for the Kings tribute, *and that* vpon our lands, and vineyards.

5 Yet now our flesh *is* as the flesh of our brethren, our children as their children: and loe, wee bring into bondage our sonnes and our daughters, to be seruants, and some of our daughters are brought vnto bondage *already*, neither is it in our power *to redeeme them*: for other men *haue* our lands, and vineyards.

6 ¶ And I was very angry when I heard their cry, and these words.

† *Hebr. my heart consulted in me.*

7 Then † I consulted with my selfe, and I rebuked the Nobles, and the Rulers, and said vnto them, You exact vsury euery one of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them.

* Leuit. 25.48.

8 And I said vnto them, We, after our abilitie, haue * redeemed our brethren the Iewes, which were sold vnto the heathen: and will you euen sell your brethren? or shall they be sold vnto vs? Then held they their peace, & found nothing *to answere*.

9 Also I said, It *is* not good that ye doe: ought ye not to walke in the feare of our God, because of the reproach of the heathen our enemies?

10 Likewise, *and* my brethren, and my seruants, might exact of them money and corne: I pray you, let vs leaue off this vsury.

11 Restore, I pray you, to them, euen this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliueyards, and their houses, also ‖ hundreth part of the money, & of the corne, the wine, and the oile, that ye exact of them.

12 Then said they, We will restore *them*, & will require nothing of them: so will we do as thou sayest. Then I called the Priests, and tooke an oath of them, ‖ they should doe according to this promise.

13 Also I shooke my lap, and said, So God shake out euery man from his house, and from his labour, that performeth not this promise, euen thus be he shaken out, and † emptied. And all the Congregation said, Amen, and praised the LORD. And the people did according to this promise.

† *Hebr. empty, or void.*

14 ¶ Moreouer, from the time that I was appointed to bee their Gouernour in the land of Iudah, from the twentieth yeere, euen vnto the two and thirtieth yeere of Artaxerxes the King, *that is*, twelue yeeres, I and my brethren haue not eaten the bread of the gouernour.

15 But the former gouernours that *haue been* before me, were charge-able vnto the people, and tooke of them bread and wine, beside fourty shekels of siluer, yea, euen their seruants bare rule ouer the people: but so did not I, because of the feare of God.

16 Yea also I continued in the worke of this wall, neither bought we any land, and all my seruants were gathered thither vnto the worke.

17 Moreouer, there were at my table an hundred and fifty of the Iewes and rulers, besides those that came vnto vs from among the heathen that *are* about vs.

18 Now that which was prepared for me daily, *was* one ox, *and* six chosen sheepe, also fowles were prepared for me, and once in ten dayes store of all sorts of wine: yet for all this required not I the bread of the gouernour, because the bondage was heauy vpon this people.

19 ¶ Thinke vpon me, my God, for good, according to all that I haue done for this people.

CHAP. VI.

1 *Sanballat practiseth by craft to ouercome him by hired prophecyes, to see the Wall made, is finished to the ioy of his enemies.* 17 *Secret intelligence passeth betweene the Nobles of Iudah.*

NOW it came to passe, when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies heard that I had built the wall, and that there was no breach left therein, (though at that time I had not set vp the gates in the gates)

2 That Sanballat and Gesham sent vnto me, saying, Come, let vs meet together in some one of the villages in the plaine of Ono. But they thought to doe me mischiefe.

3 And I sent messengers vnto them, saying, I am doing a great worke, so that I cannot come downe: why should the worke cease, whiles I leaue it, and come downe vnto you?

4 Yet they sent vnto me foure times after this sort, and I answered them after the same manner.

5 Then sent Sanballat his seruant vnto me in like manner the fift time, with an open letter in his hand:

6 Wherein was written, It is reported among the heathen, and ‖ Gashmu saith *it*, that thou and the Iewes thinke to rebell: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou mayest be their King, according to these words.

7 And thou hast also appointed Prophets to preach of thee at Ierusalem, saying, There is a King in Iudah. And now shall it be reported to the King according to these words. Come now therefore, and let vs take counsell together.

8 Then I sent vnto him, saying, There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou deuisest them out of thine owne heart.

9 For they all made vs afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the worke, that it be not done. Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands.

10 Afterward I came vnto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah, the sonne of Mehetabel, who was shut vp: and he said, Let vs meet together in the house of God, within the Temple, and let vs shut the doores of the Temple: for they will come to slay thee, yea, in the night will they come to slay thee.

11 And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that being as I am, would go into the Temple to saue his life? I will not go.

12 And loe, I perceiued that God had not sent him, but that he pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him.

13 Therfore was he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and that they might haue matter for an euill report, that they might reproach me.

14 My God, thinke thou vpon Tobiah and Sanballat, according to these their workes, and on the Prophetesse Noadiah, and the rest of the Prophets, that would haue put me in feare.

15 ¶ So the wall was finished, in the twenty and fift day of the moneth Elul, in fifty and two dayes.

16 And it came to passe, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and all the heathen that were about vs, saw these things, they were much cast downe in their owne eyes: for they perceiued that this worke was wrought of our God.

17 ¶ Moreouer, in those dayes the Nobles of Iudah sent many letters vnto Tobiah, and the letters of Tobiah came vnto them.

18 For there were many in Iudah sworne vnto him: because he was the sonne in law of Shechaniah the sonne of Arah, and his sonne Iohanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam, the sonne of Berechiah.

19 Also they reported his good deeds before me, and vttered my words to him: and Tobiah sent letters to put me in feare.

CHAP. VII.

Nehemiah committeth the charge of Ierusalem to Hanni and Hananiah. 5 A register of the genealogie of them which came at the first out of Babylon, 9 of the people, 39 of the Priests, 43 of the Leuites, 46 of the Nethinims, 57 of Solomons seruants. 63 and of the Priests which could not find their pedegree. 66 The whole number of them, with their substance. 70 Their oblations.

NOw it came to passe when the wall was built, and I had set vp the doores, & the porters, and the singers, and the Leuites were appointed,

2 That I gaue my brother Hanani, and Hananiah ruler of the palace, charge ouer Ierusalem, (for he was a faithfull man, and feared God aboue many.)

3 And I said vnto them, Let not the gates of Ierusalem be opened, vntill the Sunne bee hot, and while they stand by, let them shut the doores, and bar them. And appoint watches of the inhabitants of Ierusalem, euery one in his watch, and euery one to be ouer against his house.

4 Now the city was † large and great, but the people were few therein, and the houses were not builded.

5 ¶ And my God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogie. And I found a register of the genealogie of them which came vp at the first, and found written therein.

6 * These are the children of the prouince, that went vp out of the captiuity, of those that had been carried away, whom Nebuchad-nezzar the king of Babylon had carried away, and came againe vnto Ierusalem, and to Iudah, euery one vnto his city;

7 Who came with Zerubbabel, Ieshua, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Biguai, Nahum, Baanah. The number, I say, of the men of the people of Israel was this:

8 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seuenty and two.

9 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seuenty and two.

10 The children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two.

11 The children of Pahath-Moab of the children of Ieshua, and Ioab, two thousand and eight hundred and eighteene.

12 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and foure.

13 The children of Zatthu, eight hundred forty and fiue.

14 The children of Zaccai, seuen hundred and threescore.

15 The children of ‖ Binnui, six hundred forty and eight. ‖ Or, Bani.

16 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight.

17 The children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two.

18 The children of Adonicam, six hundred threescore and seuen.

19 The children of Biguai, two thousand threescore and seuen.

20 The children of Adin, six hundred fifty and fiue.

21 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

22 The children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.

23 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and foure.

24 The children of ‖ Hariph, an hundred and twelue. ‖ Or, Iora.

25 The children of ‖ Gibeon, ninety and fiue. ‖ Or, Gibar.

26 The men of Bethlehem, and Netophah, an hundred fourescore and eight.

27 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

28 The men of ‖ Beth azmaueth, forty and two. ‖ Or, Azmaueth.

29 The men of ‖ Kiriath iearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seuen hundred forty and three. ‖ Or, Kiriath arim.

30 The men of Ramah and Geba, six hundred twenty and one.

31 The men of Michmash, an hundred and twenty and two.

32 The men of Bethel and Ai, an hundred twenty and three.

33 The men of the other Nebo, fifty and two.

34 The children of the other * Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and foure. * See v. 12

35 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

36 The children of Iericho, three hundred forty and fiue.

37 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seuen hundred twenty and one.

38 The children of Senaa, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.

39 ¶ The Priests. The children of * Iedaia, of the house of Ieshua, nine hundred seuenty and three. * 1. Chro. 24. 7.

40 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

41 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seuen.

42 The children of Harim, a thousand and seuenteene.

43 ¶ The Leuites. The children of Ieshua, of Kadmiel, and of the children of ‖ Hodeuah, seuenty and foure. ‖ Or, Hadaniah.

44 ¶ The singers. The children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight. Ezra. 2. 41. Or Iudah

45 ¶ The porters. The children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight.

46 ¶ The Nethinims. The children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the children of Tabaoth,

47 The children of Keros, the children of Sia, the children of Padon,

48 The children of Lebana, the children of Hagaba, the children of Shalmai,

49 The children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar,

50 The children of Reaiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda,

51 The children of Gazzam, the children of Vzza, the children of Phaseah,

52 The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of Nephisesim,

53 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,

54 The children of Bazlith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,

55 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Temah,

56 The children of Nezia, the children of Hatiphа.

57 ¶ The children of Solomons seruants: The children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of Perida,

58 The children of Iaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,

59 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth Zebaim, the children of ‖ Amon.

‖ Or, Ami. 60 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomons seruants, were three hundred ninety and two.

* Ezra. 2. 43. 61 ¶ And these were they which went vp also from Telmelah, Telharesha, Cherub, Addon, and Immer: but they could not shew their fathers house, nor their ‖ seed, whether they were of Israel.

‖ Or, pedegree. 62 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred forty and two.

63 ¶ And of the Priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai which tooke one of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.

64 These sought their register among those that were reckoned by genealogie, but it was not found: therefore were they as polluted, put from the Priesthood.

‖ Or, the gouernour. 65 And the Tirshatha said vnto them, that they should not eate of the most holy things, till there stood vp a Priest with Vrim and Thummim.

66 ¶ The whole congregation together was forty and two thousand, three hundred & threescore,

67 Beside their men seruants, and their maid-seruants, of whom there were seuen thousand three hundred thirty and seuen: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men & singing women.

68 Their horses, seuen hundred thirty and six: their mules, two hundred forty and five:

69 Their camels, four hundred thirty and five: six thousand seuen hundred and twenty asses.

‖ Hebr. Patri. 70 ¶ And some of the chiefe of the fathers gaue vnto the worke: the Tirshatha gaue to the treasure a thousand drammes of gold, fifty basons, two hundred and thirty Priests garments.

71 And some of the chiefe of the fathers, gaue to the treasure of the worke twenty thousand drammes of gold, and two thousand and two hundred pounds of siluer.

72 And that which the rest of the people gaue, was twenty thousand drammes of gold, and two thousand pound of siluer, and threescore and seuen Priests garments.

73 So the Priests, and the Leuites, and the porters, and the singers, and some of the people, and the Nethinims, and all Israel dwelt in their cities, and when the seuenth moneth came, the children of Israel were in their cities.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 The religious manner of the people in hearing the Law. 9 They comfort them. 13 The ordinance of them to keep the feast of Tabernacles.

AND all the people gathered themselues as one man, into the street that was before the water gate, and they spake vnto Ezra the Scribe, to bring the booke of the Lawes of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.

2 And Ezra the Priest brought the Law before the congregation, both of men and women, and † all that could heare with vnderstanding, vpon the first day of the seuenth moneth.

3 And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate, from the morning vnto mid day, before the men and the women, and those that could vnderstand: and the eares of all the people were *attentiue* vnto the booke of the Law.

4 And Ezra the Scribe stood vpon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose: and beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, and Anaiah, and Vrijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand: and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam.

5 And Ezra opened the booke in the sight of all the people, (for he was aboue all the people) and when he opened it, all the people stood vp.

6 And Ezra blessed the LORD the great God, and all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting vp their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

7 Also Ieshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Iamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Iozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Leuites, caused the people to vnderstand the Law: and the people *stood* in their place.

8 So they read in the booke in the Law of God distinctly, and gaue the sense, and caused them to vnderstand the reading.

9 ¶ And Nehemiah which is the Tirshatha, and Ezra the Priest the Scribe, and the Leuites that taught the people, said vnto all the people, This day is holy vnto the LORD your God, mourne not nor weepe: for all the people wept, when they heard the words of the Law.

10 Then he said vnto them, Go your way, eate the fat, and drinke the sweet, and send portions vnto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy vnto our Lord: neither be ye sorrowful, for the ioy of the LORD is your strength.

11 So the Leuites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day is holy, neither be ye grieued.

12 And all the people went their way to eate, and to drinke, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had vnderstood the words that were declared vnto them.

13 ¶ And on the second day were gathered together the chiefe of the fathers of all the people, the Priests and the Leuites, vnto Ezra the Scribe, *euen* to vnderstand the words of the Law.

14 And they found written in the Law which the LORD had commanded by the hand of Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths, in the feast of the seuenth moneth.

15 And that they should publish and proclaim

in all their cities, and in Ierusalem, saying, go forth vnto the mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palme branches and branches of thicke trees, to make boothes, as it is written.

16 So the people went forth, and brought *them*, and made themselues boothes, euery one vpon the roofe of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the water gate, & in the street of the gate of Ephraim.

17 And all the congregation of them that were come agayne out of the captiuitie made boothes and sate vnder the boothes: for since ‖ the dayes of Iehoshua the sonne of Nun, vnto that day had not the children of Israel done so: & there was very great gladnes.

18 Also day by day, from the first day vnto the last day, he read in the booke of the Law of God: and they kept the feast seuen dayes, and on the eight day was ‖ a solemne assembly according to the manner.

CHAP. IX

1 A solemne Fast, and repentance of the people. 4 The Leuites make a rehearsall confession of Gods goodnesse and their wickednesse.

NOw in the *twentie and fourth day of this moneth, the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth vpon them.

2 And the seed of Israel separated themselues from all † strangers, and stood and confessed their sinnes, and the iniquities of their fathers.

3 And they stood vp in their place, and read in the booke of the Law of the LORD their God, *one* fourth part of the day, and another fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.

4 ¶ Then stood vp vpon the ‖ stayres of the Leuites, Ieshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, *and* Chenani, and cryed with loud voyce vnto the LORD their God.

5 Then the Leuites, Ieshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, & Pethahiah, said, Stand vp, and blesse the LORD your God for euer and euer, and blessed be the glorious name, which is exalted aboue all blessing and praise.

6 Thou, *euen* thou art LORD alone, thou hast made heauen, the heauen of heauens, with all their hoste, the earth, and all things that *are* therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preseruest them all, & the hoste of heauen worshippeth thee.

7 Thou art the LORD the God, who diddest chuse Abram, and broughtest him fourth out of the land of the Caldees, and gauest him the name of Abraham.

8 And foundest his heart *faithfull before thee, and madest a couenant with him, to giue the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Iebusites, and the Girgashites, to giue it, I say, to his seed, and hast performed thy words, for thou *art* righteous,

9 * And didst see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heardest their cry by the red Sea,

10 And shewedst ‖ signes, * and wonders vpon Pharaoh, and on all his seruants, and on all the people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt proudly against them: so didst thou get thee a name, as at this day.

11 * And thou didst diuide the sea before them, that they went through the midst of the sea on the drie land, & their persecuters thou threwest into the deepes, as a stone into the mighty * waters.

12 Moreouer, thou * leddest them in the day by a cloudy pillar, and in the night by a pillar of fire to giue them light in the way wherein they should goe.

13 Thou * camest downe also vpon mount Sinai, and † spakest with them from heauen, and gauest them ‖ iust iudgements, and † true Lawes, good Statutes and Commandements.

14 And madest knowne vnto them thy holy Sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes, and lawes by the hand of Moses thy seruant:

15 And * gauest them bread from heauen for their hunger, and broughtest forth water for them out of the rocke, for their thirst, and promisedst them that they should * goe in to possesse the land, † which thou hadst sworne to giue them.

16 But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their neckes, and hearkened not to thy Commandements:

17 And refused to obey, neither were mindfull of the wonders that thou didst among them, but hardened their neckes, and in their rebellion appointed a Captaine to returne to their bondage: but thou *art* † a God ready to pardon, gracious and mercifull, slow to anger, and of great kindnesse, and forsookest them not.

18 Yea, * when they had made them a molten calfe, and said, This *is* thy God that brought thee vp out of Egypt, and had wrought great prouocations:

19 Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wildernesse: the * pillar of the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the way, neither the pillar of fire by night to shew them light, and the way wherein they should goe.

20 Thou gauest also thy * good Spirit to instruct them, and withheldest not thy * Manna from their mouth, and gauest them water for their thirst.

21 Yea forty yeeres didst thou sustaine them in the wildernes, so that they lacked nothing: their * clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not.

22 Moreouer, thou gauest them kingdoms and nations, and diddest diuide them into corners: so they possessed the land of * Sihon, and the land of the King of Heshbon, & the land of Og king of Bashan.

23 Their children also multipliedst thou as the starres of heauen, and broughtest them into the land, concerning which thou hadst promised to their fathers, that they should goe in to possesse *it*.

24 So the children went in, & possessed the land, and thou subduedst before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gauest them into their hands, with their kings and the people of the land that they might doe with them † as they would.

25 And they tooke strong cities, and a fat land, and possessed houses full of all goods, ‖ wells digged, vineyards, and oliue yards, and † fruit trees, in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat, and † delighted themselues in thy great goodnesse.

26 Neuerthelesse, they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy Law behind their backs, and slew thy * Prophets, which testified against them, to turne them to thee, and they wrought great prouocations.

27 Therefore thou tookest them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them, and in the time of their trouble, when they cryed vnto thee, thou heardest them from heauen: and according to thy manifold mercies, thou gauest them sauiours, who saued them out of the hand of their enemies.

28 But after they had rest, † they did euill againe before thee: therefore leftest thou them in the hand of their enemies, so that they had the dominion

* Exod. 20.1. and 19.20.
¶ Statutes
† Hebr. lawes of trueth.
* Exod. 16.15 & 17.6. num 20.9.
* Deut. 1.8.
† Hebr. which thou hadst
‖ Hebr. lift vp
* Numb. 14.4.
† Hebr. a God of pardons.
* Exod. 32.4.
Exod. 13.22. num. 14.14. neh. 10.12.
* Num. 11.17.
* Exo. 16. & 17.6. neh. 9.15.
* Deut. 8.4
* Numb. 21.21, &c.
† Hebr. according to their will.
‖ Or, treasures.
† Hebr. trees of food.
* 1 King. 19.10.
† Hebr. they returned & did euill

ouer them: yet when they returned and cryed vnto thee, thou heardst them from heauen, & many times didst thou deliuer them, according to thy mercies:

29 And testifiedst against them that thou mightest bring them again vnto thy Law: yet they dealt proudly, and hearkened not vnto thy Commandements, but sinned against thy Iudgements, (which if a man doe, hee shall liue in them,) † and withdrew the shoulder, and hardened their necke, and would not heare.

† Hebr. they gaue a withdrawing shoulder.

30 Yet many yeeres didst thou † forbeare them, and testifiedst * against them by thy Spirit, † in thy Prophets: yet would they not giue eare: therefore gauest thou them into the hand of the people of the lands.

† Hebr. protract ouer thē. *2. Kings 17. 13. 2. chron. 36. 15.

31 Nuerthelesse, for thy great mercies sake, thou didst not vtterly consume them, nor forsake them; for thou art a gracious and mercifull God.

32 Now therefore our God, the great, the *mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest Couenant, and mercy: let not all † the trouble seeme little before thee, † that hath come vpon vs, on our Kings, on our Princes, and on our Priests, and on our Prophets, and on our fathers, and on all thy people since the time of the Kings of Assyria, vnto this day.

† Hebr. in the hand of thy Prophets. *Exod. 34. 6

33 Howbeit, thou art iust in all that is brought vpon vs, for thou hast done right, but we haue done wickedly.

34 Neither haue our Kings, our Princes, our Priests, nor our fathers kept thy Law, nor hearkened vnto thy Commandements, and thy Testimonies, wherewith thou didst testifie against them.

† Hebr. weaines. † Hebr. that hath found vs.

35 For they haue not serued thee in their Kingdome, and in thy great goodnesse that thou gauest them, and in the large and fat land which thou gauest before them, neither turned they from their wicked workes.

36 Beheld, we are seruants this day, and for the land that thou gauest vnto our fathers, to eate the fruit thereof, and the good thereof, behold, we are seruants in it.

37 And it yeeldeth much increase vnto the Kings, whom thou hast set ouer vs, because of our sinnes: also they haue dominion ouer our bodies, and ouer our cattell at their pleasure: & we are in great distresse.

† Hebr. are at the sealing, or sealed.

38 And because of all this, we make a sure † couenant, and write it, and our Princes, Leuites, and Priests † seale vnto it.

CHAP. X.

1 *The names of them that sealed the Couenant.* 29 *The points of the Couenant.*

NOw those † that sealed were Nehemiah, the Tirshatha, the son of Hachaliah, and Zidkijah,

† Hebr. at the sealings. ‖ Or, the gouernor.

2 Seraiah, Azariah, Ieremiah,
3 Pashur, Amariah, Malchiah,
4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,
5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,
6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,
7 Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,
8 Maazijah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these were the Priests.

9 And the Leuites: both Ieshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, Kadmiel;
10 And their brethren, Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan,
11 Micah, Rehob, Hashabiah
12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
13 Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.
14 The chiefe of the people. Parosh, Pahath-Moab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,
15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
16 Adonijah, Biguai, Adin,
17 Ater, Hizkijah, Azzur,
18 Hodiah, Hashum, Bezai,
19 Hariph, Anathoth Nebai,
20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,
21 Meshezabeel, Zadok, Iaddua,
22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
23 Hoshiah, Hananiah, Hashub,
24 Hallohesh, Pilcha, Shobek,
25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
26 And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,
27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.

28 ¶ *And the rest of the people, the Priests, the Leuites, the Porters, the singers, the Nethinims, and all they that had separated themselues from the people of the lands vnto the Law of God, their wiues, their sonnes and their daughters, euery one hauing knowledge, and hauing vnderstanding.

29 They claue to their brethren their Nobles, and entred into a curse, and into an oath, to walke in Gods Law, which was giuen † by Moses the seruant of God, and to obserue and doe all the Commandements of the LORD our Lord, and his Iudgements, and his Statutes.

† Hebr. in the hand of Moses.

30 And that we would not giue our daughters vnto the people of the land, nor take their daughters for our sonnes.

31 *And if the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the Sabbath day to sell, that we would not buy it of them on the Sabbath, or on the holy day, and that we would leaue the seuenth yeere, and the * exaction of † euery debt.

32 Also we made ordinances for vs, to charge our selues yeerely, with the third part of a sickel, for the seruice of the house of our God.

33 For the Shew bread, and for the continuall meat offering, and for the continuall burnt offering of the Sabbaths, of the new Moones, for the set feasts, and for the holy things, and for the sinne offerings to make an atonement for Israel, and for all the worke of the house of our God.

34 And we cast the lots among the Priests, the Leuites, and the people, for the wood offering, to bring it into the house of our God, after the houses of our fathers, at times appointed yeere by yeere, to burne vpon the Altar of the LORD our God, as it is written in the * Law:

35 And to bring the first fruits of our ground, and the first fruits of all fruit of all trees, yeere by yeere vnto the house of the LORD:

36 Also the first borne of our sonnes, and of our cattell, (as it is written * in the Law,) and the firstlings of our herds, and of our flocks to bring to the house of our God, vnto the Priests that minister in the house of our God:

37 And that we should bring the first fruits of our dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees of wine, and of oyle, vnto the Priests, to the chambers of the house of our God, and the tithes of our ground vnto the Leuites, that the same Leuites might haue the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.

38 And the Priest the sonne of Aaron shall be with the Leuites, * when the Leuites take tithes: and the Leuite shall bring vp the tithe of the tithes vnto the house of our God, to the chambers into the treasure house.

39 For the children of Israel and the children of Leui shall bring the offering of the corne, of the new wine, and the oyle vnto the chambers, where are the vessels of the Sanctuary, and the Priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God.

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29. They made the Oath in the name of the Lord & multip

CHAP. XI.

The Rulers voluntary men, and the tenth man sent by lot, dwell at Ierusalem. 3 A catalogue of their names. 20 Their residue dwell in other cities.

1 Nethe rule rs of the people dwelt at Ierusalem: the rest of the people also cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in Ierusalem, the holy city, and nine parts *to dwell* in *other* cities.

2 And the people blessed all the men that willingly offered themselues to dwell at Ierusalem.

3 ¶ Now these *are* the chiefe of the Province that dwelt in Ierusalem: but in the cities of Iudah dwelt euery one in his possession in their cities, to wit, Israel, the Priests and the Leuites, and the Nethinims, and the children of Solomons seruants.

4 And at Ierusalem dwelt *certaine* of the children of Iudah, and of the children of Beniamin. Of the children of Iudah: Athaiah the son of Vzziah, the sonne of Zacharias, the son of Amariah, the sonne of Shephatiah, the sonne of Mahalaleel, of the children of Perez.

5 And Maaseiah the sonne of Baruch, the sonne of Colhozeh, the sonne of Hazaiah, the sonne of Adaiah, the son of Ioiarib, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Shiloni.

6 All the sonnes of Perez that dwelt at Ierusalem, were four hundred threescore and eight valiant men.

7 And these *are* the sons of Beniamin: Sallu the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Ioed, the sonne of Pedaiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of Maaseiah the sonne of Ithiel, the sonne of Iesaiah.

8 And after him Gabai, Sallai, nine hundred twenty and eight.

9 And Ioel the son of Zichri *was* their ouerseer: and Iudah the sonne of Senuah, *was* second ouer the city.

10 Of the Priests: Iedaiah, the sonne of Ioiarib, Iachin:

11 Seraiah the sonne of Hilkiah, the sonne of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub *was* the ruler of the house of God.

12 And their brethren that did the worke of the house, were eight hundred twenty and two: and Adaiah the son of Ieroham, the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the sonne of Pashur, the son of Malchiah,

13 And his brethren, chiefe of the fathers, two hundred forty and two: and Amashai the sonne of Azarel, the son of Ahasai, the son of Meshillemoth the sonne of Immer.

14 And their brethren, mighty men of valour, an hundred twenty and eight; and their ouerseer *was* Zabdiel, the sonne of *one of* the great men.

15 Also of the Leuites: Shemaiah, the son of Hashub the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the sonne of Bunni.

16 And Shabbethai, and Iozabad, of the chiefe of the Leuites, had the ouersight of the outward businesse of the house of God.

17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Asaph *was* the principall to begin the thanksgiuing in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the sonne of Shammuah, the sonne of Galal, the sonne of Ieduthun.

18 All the Leuites in the holy city, *were* two hundred fourescore and foure.

19 Moreouer, the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that kept the gates, *were* an hundred seuenty and two.

20 ¶ And the residue of Israel, of the Priests *and* the Leuites, *were* in all the cities of Iudah, euery one in his inheritance.

21 *But the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel: and Ziha, and Gispa were ouer the Nethinims.

22 The ouerseer also of the Leuites at Ierusalem *was* Vzzi, the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the sonne of Mattaniah, the son of Micha: Of the sons of Asaph, the Singers *were* ouer the businesse of the house of God.

23 For it *was* the Kings commandement concerning them, that a certaine portion should be for the Singers, due for euery day.

24 And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabel, of the children of Zerah the sonne of Iudah, *was* at the kings hand in all matters concerning the people.

25 And for the villages with their fields, *some* of the children of Iudah dwelt at Kiriath-Arba, and in the villages thereof; and at Dibon, and in the villages thereof, and at Iekabzeel, and in the villages thereof;

26 And at Ieshua, and at Moladah, and at Bethphelet,

27 And at Hazar-Shual, and at Beersheba, and in the villages thereof;

28 And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and in the villages thereof:

29 And at En-Rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Iarmuth,

30 Zanoah, Adullam, and in their villages, at Lachish and the fields thereof: At Azekah, and in the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beersheba, vnto the valley of Hinnom.

31 The children also of Beniamin, from Geba, dwelt at Michmash, and Aija, and Bethel, and in their villages:

32 *And* at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah,

33 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim,

34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,

35 Lod, and Ono, the valley of craftsmen.

36 And of the Leuites, *were* diuisions in Iudah, *and* in Beniamin.

CHAP. XII.

1 The Priests, 8 and the Leuites which came vp with Zerubbabel. 10 The succession of high Priests. 22 Certaine chiefe Leuites. 27 The solemnity of the dedication of the wals. 44 The offices of Priests and Leuites appointed in the Temple.

NOw these *are* the *Priests and the Leuites that went vp with Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and Ieshua: Seraiah, Ieremiah, Ezra,

2 Amariah, Malluch, Hattush,

3 Shecaniah, Rehum, Meremoth,

4 Iddo, Ginnetho, Abijah,

5 Miamin, Maadiah, Bilgah,

6 Shemaiah, and Ioiarib, Iedaiah,

7 Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Iedaiah: these *were* the chiefe of the Priests, and of their brethren, in the dayes of Ieshua.

8 Moreouer, the Leuites: Ieshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Iudah, *and* Mattaniah, which *was* ouer the thanksgiuing, he and his brethren.

9 Also Bakbukiah, and Vnni their brethren, *were* ouer against them in the watches.

10 ¶ And Ieshua begat Ioiakim, Ioiakim also begat Eliashib, and Eliashib begat Ioiada,

11 And Ioiada begat Ionathan, and Ionathan begat Iaddua.

12 And in the dayes of Ioiakim, were Priests, the chiefe of the fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah: of Ieremiah, Hananiah:

13 Of Ezra, Meshullam: Of Amariah, Iehohanan:

14 Of

*Ezra.2.2.

*See chap. 3.26.

*Or, the tower.

*Or, a sure ordinance.

*Or, dwelt of Geba. Or, to Michmash.

*Or, Maluchi, v.14

*Or, Sebaniah, v.14

*Or, Harim, v.15

*Or, Meraioth, v.15.

*Or, Ginnethon. v.16.

*Or, Miamin, v.17.

*Or, Moadiah, v.17

*Or, Sallai. v.20.

*That is, the psalms of thanksgiuing.

14 Of Melicu, Jonathan: of Shebaniah, Ioseph:
15 Of Harim, Adna: of Meraioth, Helkai:
16 Of Iddo, Zechariah: of Ginnethon, Meshullam:
17 Of Abijah, Zichri: of Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai:
18 Of Bilgah, Shammua: of Shemaiah, Iehonathan:
19 And of Ioiarib, Mattenai: of Iedaiah, Vzzi:
20 Of Sallai, Kallai: of Amok, Eber:
21 Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah: of Iedaiah, Nethanael.

22 ¶ The Leuites in the dayes of Eliashib, Ioiada, and Iohanan, and Iaddua, *were* recorded chiefe of the fathers: also the Priests, to the reigne of Darius the Persian.

23 The sonnes of Leui, the chiefe of the fathers, *were* written in the booke of the Chronicles, euen vntill the dayes of Iohanan the sonne of Eliashib.

24 And the chiefe of the Leuites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Ieshua the sonne of Kadmiel, with their brethren ouer against them, to praise, *and* to giue thanks, according to the commandement of Dauid the man of God, ward ouer against ward.

25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, *were* porters keeping the ward at the ‖ thresholds of the gates.

26 These were in the dayes of Ioiakim, the sonne of Ieshua, the sonne of Iozadak, and in the dayes of Nehemiah the Gouernour, and of Ezra the Priest, the Scribe.

27 ¶ And at the dedication of the wall of Ierusalem, they sought the Leuites out of all their places, to bring them to Ierusalem, to keep the dedication with gladnesse, both with thankesgiuings, and with singing, *with* cymbals, psalteries, and with harps.

28 And the sonnes of the singers gathered themselues together, both out of the plaine countrey round about Ierusalem, and from the villages of Netophathi.

29 Also from the house of Gilgal, and out of the fields of Geba, and Azmaueth: for the singers had builded them villages round about Ierusalem.

30 And the Priests and the Leuites purified themselues, and purified the people, and the gates, and the wall.

31 Then I brought vp the Princes of Iudah vpon the wall, and appointed two great companies of them that gaue thankes, whereof one went on the right hand vpon the wall toward the dung-gate:

32 And after them went Hoshaiah, and halfe of the Princes of Iudah,

33 And Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam,

34 Iudah, and Beniamin, and Shemaiah, and Ieremiah.

35 And certaine of the Priests sonnes with trumpets: namely, Zechariah the sonne of Ionathan, the sonne of Shemaiah, the sonne of Mattaniah, the sonne of Michaiah, the sonne of Zaccur, the sonne of Asaph:

36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Iudah, Hanani, with the musicall instruments of Dauid the man of God, and Ezra the Scribe before them.

37 And at the fountaine gate, which was ouer against them, they went vp by the staires of the city of Dauid, at the going vp of the wall aboue the house of Dauid, euen vnto the water-gate East-ward.

38 And the other company of them that gaue thankes went ouer against them, and I after them, and the halfe of the people vpon the wall, from beyond the tower of the furnaces, euen vnto the broad wall,

39 And from aboue the gate of Ephraim, and aboue the old gate, and aboue the fish-gate, and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah, euen vnto the sheepe-gate: and they stood still in the prison-gate.

40 So stood the two companies of them that gaue thankes in the house of God, and I, and the halfe of the rulers with me:

41 And the Priests: Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, and Hananiah, with trumpets:

42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Vzzi, and Iehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer. And the singers sang loud with Izrahiah their ouerseer.

43 Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and reioyced: for God had made them reioyce with great ioy: the wiues also and the children reioyced: so that the ioy of Ierusalem was heard euen afarre off.

44 ¶ And at that time were some appointed ouer the chambers, for the treasures, for the offerings, for the first fruits, and for the tithes, to gather into them out of the fields of the cities, the portions of the law for the Priests and Leuites: for Iudah reioyced for the Priests, and for the Leuites that waited.

45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the purification, according to the commandement of Dauid, and of Salomon his sonne.

46 For in the dayes of Dauid and Asaph of old, there were chiefe of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiuing vnto God.

47 And all Israel in the dayes of Zerubbabel, and in the dayes of Nehemiah, gaue the portions of the singers, and the porters, euery day his portion, and they ‖sanctified holy things vnto the Leuites, and the Leuites sanctified them vnto the children of Aaron.

‖Or, treasuries, or assemblies.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Vnder the reading of the Law (newly made from the vnperfect text, 4 Nehemiah returneth, causeth the strangers to be separated. He reformeth the offices in the house of God. The violater of the Sabbath, by wasting with strange wines.

ON that day † they read in the booke of Moses in the audience of the people, and therein was found written, that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come into the Congregation of God for euer;

2 * Because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired Balaam against them, that he should curse them: howbeit our God turned the curse into a blessing.

3 Now it came to passe when they had heard the Law, that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.

4 ¶ And before this, Eliashib the Priest hauing the ouersight of the chamber of the house of our God, was allied vnto Tobiah:

5 And he had prepared for him a great chamber, where afore time they laid the meat-offering, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the corne, the new wine, and the oyle, which was commanded *to be giuen* to the Leuites, and the singers, and the porters, and the offerings of the Priests.

6 But in all this *time* was not I at Ierusalem: for in the two and thirtieth yeere of Artaxerxes King of Babylon, came I vnto the King, and after certaine dayes ‖ obtained I leaue of the King,

and I came to Ierusalem, and vnderstood of
the euil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in preparing
a chamber in the courts of the house of God.
And it grieued me sore: therefore I cast forth all
the houshold stuffe of Tobiah out of the chamber.
Then I commanded, and they cleansed the
chambers: and thither brought I again the vessels
of the house of God, with the meat offering, and the
incense.
And I perceiued that the portions of the Le-
uites had not been giuen them: for the Leuites
and the singers that did the worke, were fled euery
one to his field.
Then contended I with the Rulers, and said,
Why is the house of God forsaken? and I gathered
them together, and set them in their † place.
Then brought all Iudah the tithe of the corne,
the new wine, & the oile vnto the † treasuries.
And I made treasurers ouer the treasuries, Shelemiah the Priest, and Zadok the Scribe, and of the
Leuites Pedaiah: and † next to them was Hanan
the sonne of Zaccur, the sonne of Mattaniah: for they
were counted faithfull, and their office was to distribute vnto their brethren.
*Remember me, O my God, concerning this,
and wipe not out my good deeds, that I haue done
for the house of my God, & for the offices thereof.
In those dayes saw I in Iudah some treading
wine presses on the Sabbath, & bringing in sheaues,
lading asses, as also wine, grapes, and figs, and
euery manner of burdens, which they brought into Ierusalem on the Sabbath day: and I testified against
them in the day wherein they sold victuals.
There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which
brought fish, and all maner of ware, and sold on the
Sabbath vnto the children of Iudah, & in Ierusalem.
Then I contended with the nobles of Iudah,
and vnto them, What euil thing is this that ye do,
and prophane the Sabbath day?
Did not your fathers thus, and did not our
God bring all this euil vpon vs, and vpon this city?
yet bring ye more wrath vpon Israel, by prophaning
the Sabbath.
And it came to passe, that when the gates of
Ierusalem began to be darke before the Sabbath, I
commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the
Sabbath: and some of my seruants set I at the gates,
that there should no burden be brought in on the
Sabbath day.
So the merchants, and sellers of all kinde of
ware, lodged without Ierusalem once or twice.
Then I testified against them, and said vnto
them, Why lodge ye about the wall? if ye doe so a
gain, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth
came they no more on the Sabbath.
And I commanded the Leuites, † that they should
cleanse themselues, and that they should come and
keepe the gates, to sanctifie the Sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, concerning this also, and
spare me according to the † greatnes of thy mercy
23 † In those dayes also saw I Iewes that † had
married wiues of Ashdod of Ammon, & of Moab:
And their children spake halfe in the speech
of Ashdod and † could not speake in the Iewes
language, but according to the language † of each
people.
And I contended with them, and † cursed them,
and smote certaine of them, and pluckt off their
haire, & made them sweare by God, saying, Ye shall
not giue your daughters vnto their sonnes, nor take
their daughters vnto your sonnes, or for your selues.
Did not Solomon King of Israel sinne by these
things? yet among many nations was there no
King like him, who was beloued of his God, and
God made him King ouer all Israel: nenertheless
him did outlandish women cause to sinne.
Shall we then hearken vnto you to do all this
great euil, to transgresse against our God, in marrying strange wiues?
And one of the sonnes of Ioiada, the sonne of Eliashib the high Priest, was sonne in law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me.
Remember them, O my God, † because they
haue defiled the Priesthood, and the couenant of
the Priesthood, and of the Leuites.
Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and
appointed the wards of the Priests, and the Leuites, euery one in his businesse:
And for the wood offering at times appointed, and for the first fruits. Remember me, O my
God, for good.

THE BOOKE OF ESTHER

CHAP. I.

Ahasuerus maketh royall Feasts. 10 Vashti refuseth to come. 13 Ahasuerus, by counsell of Memucan, maketh the Decree of Soueraignitie.

NOw it came to passe in the dayes of
Ahasuerus (this is Ahasuerus which
reigned from India, euen vnto Ethiopia, ouer an hundred and seuen and
twenty prouinces.)
That in those dayes when the king Ahasuerus
sate in the throne of his kingdome, which was in
Shushan the palace
In the third yeere of his reigne he made a feast
vnto all his princes, and his seruants, the power of
Persia and Media, the Nobles and Princes of the
prouinces being before him.
When he shewed the riches of his glorious
kingdome, and the honour of his excellent Maiestie many dayes, euen an hundred and fourescore
dayes.
And when these dayes were expired, the King
made a feast vnto all the people that were present
in Shushan the palace, both vnto great and small,
seuen dayes, in the court of the garden of the kings
palace.
Where were white, greene, and blew hangings, fastned with cordes of fine linnen and purple
to siluer rings, and pillars of marble: the beds were
of gold and siluer, vpon a pauement of red, and
blew, and white, and black marble.
And they gaue them drinke in vessels of gold
(the vessels being diuers one from another) and
† royall wine in abundance, according to the † state
of the King.
And the drinking was according to the Law,
none did compell: for the King had appointed to
all the officers of his house, that they should doe
according to euery mans pleasure.
Also Vashti the Queene made a feast for the
women in the royall house, which belonged to king
Ahasuerus.

† Hebr. before the wall.
† Or, mul.
† Hebr. that made.
† Hebr. & people for themselues.
† 1 Kings 11. 1. &c.
† Hebr. for the desiings.
† Hebr. founded.
† Or, violets.
† Or, of porphyre and marble, and alabaster, and stones of diuers colour.
† Hebr. wine of the king.
† Hebr. according to the hand of the king.

10 ¶ On the seuenth day, when the heart of the King was merry with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seuen ‖ Chamberlaines that serued in the presence of Ahasuerus the King,

‖ Or, Eunuches.

11 To bring Vasthi the Queene before the King, with the crowne royall, to shew the people and the Princes her beauty: for she *was* faire to looke on.

12 But the Queene Vasthi refused to come at the Kings Commandement † by his Chamberlaines: therefore was the King very wroth, and his anger burned in him.

† Hebr. good of countenance.

† Hebr. which was by the hand of his Eunuches.

13 ¶ Then the King said to the wise men, which knew the times, (for so *was* the Kings manner towards all that knew law and iudgement:

14 And the next vnto him *was* Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshis, Meres, Marsena, *and* Memucan, the seuen *Princes of Persia, and Media, which saw the Kings face, *and* which sate the first in the kingdome.)

* Ezra 7.14.

15 ‖ What shall *we* doe vnto the Queene Vasthi, according to law, because she hath not performed the commandement of the King Ahasuerus, by the Chamberlaines?

‖ Hebr. What to doe?

16 And Memucan answered before the King, and the princes, Vasthi the Queen hath not done wrong to the King onely, but also to all the Princes, and to all the people that *are* in all the Prouinces of the King Ahasuerus.

17 For *this* deed of the Queene shal come abroad vnto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The King Ahasuerus commanded Vasthi the Queene to be brought in before him, but she came not.

† Hebr. If it be good with the King.

† Hebr. from before him.

18 Likewise shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day vnto all the Kings Princes, which haue heard of the deed of the Queene. Thus *shall there* arise too much contempt and wrath.

† Hebr. that it passe not away.

19 ‖ If it please the King, let there goe a royall commandement † from him, and let it be written among the lawes of the Persians & the Medes, ‖ that it be not altered, that Vasthi come no more before King Ahasuerus, and let the King giue her royall estate † vnto another that is better then she.

† Hebr. vnto her copanion.

‖ Heb. was

20 And when the Kings Decree, which he shall make, shall be published throwout all his Empire, (for it is great) all the wiues shall giue to their husbands honour, both to great and small.

good in the eyes of the King.

† Hebr. that one should publish it according to the language of his people.

21 And the saying † pleased the King, and the Princes, and the King did according to the word of Memucan:

22 For he sent letters into all the Kings Prouinces, into euery Prouince, according to the writing thereof, and to euery people after their language, that euery man should beare rule in his owne house, and † that it should be published according to the language of euery people.

CHAP. II.

1 Out of the choice of virgines, a Queene is to be chosen. 5 Mordecai the nursing father of Esther. 8 Esther is preferred by Hegai before the rest. 12 The manner of purification and going in to the King. 15 Esther best pleasing the King, is made Queene. 21 Mordecai discouering a treason, is recorded in the Chronicles.

AFter these things, when ‖ wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembred Vasthi, & what she had done, & what was decreed against her

‖ Hebr. he.

2 Then said the Kings seruants that ministred vnto him, Let there be faire young virgines sought for the King:

3 And let the King appoint officers in all the Prouinces of his kingdome that they may gather together all the faire young virgines vnto Shushan the palace, to the house of the women, to the custody of ‖ Hege the Kings Chamberlaine, keeper of the women, and let their things for purification be giuen *them*:

‖ Or, Hegai.

4 And let the maiden which pleseth the King be Queene in stead of Vasthi. And the thing pleased the King, and he did so.

5 ¶ Now in Shushan the palace there was a certain Iew, whose name *was* Mordecai, the sonne of Iair, the sonne of Shimei, the sonne of Kish a Benjamite,

6 Who had been carried away from Ierusalem with the captiuity which had beene carried away with Iechoniah King of Iudah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the King of Babylon had carried away.

7 And he brought vp Hadassah, that is Hester, his vncles daughter, for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid was † faire and beautifull: whom Mordecai, (when her father and mother were dead) tooke for his owne daughter.

† Hebr. faire of forme.

8 ¶ So it came to passe, when the kings commandement, and his decree was heard, and when many maidens were gathered together vnto Shushan the palace to the custody of Hegai, that Esther was brought *also* to the Kings house vnto the custody of Hegai keeper of the women.

9 And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindnes of him, and he speedily gaue her things for purification, with ‖ such things as belonged vnto her, and seuen maidens, which were meet to be giuen her out of the Kings house, and † preferred her and her maids vnto the best place of the house of the women.

‖ Hebr. such his portions.

† Hebr. preferred.

10 Esther had not shewed her people nor her kindred: for Mordecai had charged her that she should not shew *it*.

11 And Mordecai walked euery day before the court of the womens house, † to know how Esther did, and what should become of her.

† Hebr. to know the peace of Esther.

12 ¶ Now when euery maids time was come to goe in to King Ahasuerus, after that she had ‖ twelue moneths, according to the manner of the women (for so were the dayes of their purifications accomplished, *to wit*, six moneths with oyle of myrrhe, and six moneths with sweet odours and with *other* things for the purifying of the women)

‖ Hebr. twelue moneths.

13 Then thus came euery maiden vnto the King: whatsoeuer she desired, was giuen her to go with her out of the house of the women vnto the kings house.

14 In the euening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the custody of Shaashgaz the Kings Chamberlaine, which kept the concubines: she came in vnto the King no more, except the King delighted in her, and that she were called by name.

15 ¶ Now when the time of Esther the daughter of Abihail, the vncle of Mordecai, (who had taken her for his daughter) was come to go in vnto the King, she required nothing, but what Hegai the Kings Chamberlaine the keeper of the women appointed: And Esther obtained fauour in the sight of all them that looked vpon her.

16 So Esther was taken vnto King Ahasuerus to his house royal, in the tenth moneth (which is the moneth Tebeth) in the seuenth yeere of his reigne.

17 And the King loued Esther aboue all the women, and she obtained grace and fauour in his sight, more then all the virgines: so that he set the royall crowne vpon her head, and made her Queene in stead of Vasthi,

hen the King made a great feaſt vnto all
ncers, and his ſeruants, euen Eſthers feaſt, and
ea † releaſe to the prouinces, and gaue gifts
ing to the ſtate of the King.

nd when the virgines were gathered toge-
e ſecond time, then Mordecai ſate in the
gate.

ther had not yet ſhewed her kinred, nor her
as Mordecai had charged her: for Eſther
commandement of Mordecai, like as when
brought vp with him.

In thoſe dayes (while Mordecai ſate in the
gate) two of the Kings Chamberlaines,
an and Tereſh, of thoſe which kept † the
were wroth, and ſought to lay hand on the
haſuerus:

nd the thing was knowne to Mordecai, who
vnto Eſther the Quéene, and Eſther certified
g thereof in Mordecais name.

nd when inquiſition was made of the mat-
was found out; therefore they were both
on a tree: and it was written in the booke
Chronicles before the King.

CHAP. III.

Haman aduanced by the King, and deſpiſed by
Mordecai, ſeeketh reuenge vpon all the Iewes. 7
He caſteth Lots. 8 *He obtaineth by calumniation, a*
graunt of the King to put the Iewes to death.

After theſe things did King Ahaſuerus pro-
mote Haman the ſon of Ammedatha the Aga-
gite, and aduanced him, and ſet his ſeate aboue all
the princes that *were* with him.

And all the Kings ſeruants that *were* in the
gate, bowed, and reuerenced Haman, for the
King ſo commanded concerning him: but Mor-
decai bowed not, nor did *him* reuerence.

Then the Kings ſeruants, which *were* in the
gate, ſaid vnto Mordecai, Why tranſgreſſeſt
thou the Kings commandement?

Now it came to paſſe, when they ſpake daily
vnto him, and he hearkened not vnto them; that
they told Haman, to ſee whether Mordecais matters
would ſtand, for he had told them that he *was*
a Iew.

And when Haman ſaw that Mordecai bowed
not, nor did him reuerence, then was Haman full
of wrath.

And he thought ſcorne to lay hands on Mor-
decai alone, for they had ſhewed him the people of
Mordecai: wherefore Haman ſought to deſtroy all
the Iewes that *were* throughout the whole king-
dome of Ahaſuerus, euen the people of Mordecai.

In the firſt moneth, (that is the moneth Ni-
ſan) in the twelfth yeere of King Ahaſuerus, they
caſt Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman, from day to
day, and from moneth to moneth, *to* the twelfth
moneth, that is, the moneth Adar.

And Haman ſaid vnto King Ahaſuerus, There
is a people ſcattered abroad, and diſperſed
among the people, in all the prouinces of thy king-
dome: and their lawes *are* diuers from all people,
neither keepe they the Kings lawes: therefore it is
not for the Kings profit to ſuffer them.

If it pleaſe the King, let it be written, † that
they may be deſtroyed, and I will † pay ten thou-
ſand talents of ſiluer to the hands of thoſe that
haue the charge of the buſineſſe, to bring it into
the Kings treaſuries.

And the King tooke his ring from his hand,
and gaue it vnto Haman the ſonne of Ammedatha
the Agagite, the Iewes † enemy.

And the King ſaid vnto Haman, The ſiluer is
giuen to thee, the people alſo, to doe with them as
it ſeemeth good to thee.

Then were the Kings † Scribes called on the
thirteenth day of the firſt moneth, and there was
written according to all that Haman had comman-
ded, vnto the Kings Lieutenants, and to the gouer-
nours that *were* ouer euery prouince, and to the ru-
lers of euery people, of euery prouince, according
to the writing thereof, and *to* euery people, after
their language, in the name of King Ahaſuerus was
it written, and ſealed with the Kings ring.

And the letters were ſent by poſts into all the
Kings prouinces, to deſtroy, to kill, and to cauſe to
periſh all Iewes, both yong and old, little children
and women, in one day, *euen* vpon the thirteenth
day of the twelfth moneth (which is the moneth
Adar) and *to take* the ſpoile of them for a prey.

The copy of the writing for a commandement
to be giuen in euery prouince, was publiſhed vnto
all people, that they ſhould be ready againſt *that*
day.

The poſts went out, being haſtned by the kings
commandement, & the decree was giuen in Shuſhan
the palace: and the King and Haman ſate downe
to drinke, but the citty Shuſhan was perplexed.

CHAP. IIII.

The great mourning of Mordecai and the
Iewes. 4 *Eſther vnderſtanding it, ſendeth to Mor-*
decai, who ſheweth the cauſe, and adviſeth her to
vndertake the ſuit. 10 *She excuſing her ſelfe, is*
threatned by Mordecai. 15 *She appointing a faſt,*
vndertaketh the ſuit.

When Mordecai perceiued all that was done,
Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on ſacke-
cloth with aſhes, and went out into the midſt of
the city, and cryed with a loud and a bitter cry;

And came euen before the Kings gate: for
none *might* enter into the Kings gate clothed with
ſackecloth.

And in euery prouince whitherſoeuer the
Kings commandement and his Decree came, *there*
was great mourning among the Iewes, and faſting,
and weeping, and wailing, and † many lay in ſacke-
cloth and aſhes.

† Hebr. *ſackcloth and aſhes were laid vnder many.*

Then came Eſthers maides and her † chamberlaines
and told it her: then was the Queene exce-
dingly grieued, and ſhee ſent raiment to clothe
Mordecai, and to take away the ſackecloth from
him: but he receiued it not.

† Hebr. *Eunuches*

Then called Eſther for Hatach *one* of the
Kings chamberlaines, † whom he had appointed to
attend vpon her, and gaue him a commandement to
Mordecai, to know what it *was* and why it *was*.

† Hebr. *whom he had ſet before him.*

So Hatach went forth to Mordecai, vnto the
ſtreet of the city, which *was* before the kings gate:

And Mordecai told him of all that had hap-
pened vnto him, and of the ſumme of the money
that Haman had promiſed to pay to the kings trea-
ſuries for the Iewes, to deſtroy them.

Alſo he gaue him the copy of the writing of
the Decree, that was giuen at Shuſhan to deſtroy
them, to ſhew it vnto Eſther, and to declare it vnto
her, and to charge her that ſhe ſhould goe in vnto
the King, to make ſupplication vnto him, and to
make requeſt before him for her people.

And Hatach came and told Eſther the words
of Mordecai.

¶ Agiue Eſther ſpake vnto Hatach, and gaue
him commandement vnto Mordecai:

All the Kings ſeruants, and the people of the
Kings prouinces do know, that whoſoeuer, whether
man or woman, ſhall come vnto the King into the
inner court, who is not called, *there is* one law of

his to put him to death, except such to whom the King shall hold out the golden scepter, that hee may liue: but I haue not beene called to come in vnto the King these thirty dayes.

12 And they told to Mordecai Esthers words.

13 Then Mordecai commanded to answere Esther. Think not with thy selfe that thou shalt escape in the Kings house, more then all the Iewes.

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, *then* shall there † enlargement and deliuerance arise vnto the Iewes from another place, but thou and thy fathers house shall be destroyed: And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdome for such a time as this?

† *Hebr. respiration.*

15 ¶ Then Esther bade *them* returne Mordecai *this answere:*

16 Goe gather together all the Iewes that are † present in Shushan, and fast yee for me, and neither eate nor drinke three dayes, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise, and so will I go in vnto the King, which *is* not according to the law, and if I perish I perish.

† *Hebr. found*

† *Hebr. Passeu.*

17 So Mordecai † went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.

CHAP. V.

1 *Esther aduenturing on the Kings fauour, obtaineth the grace of the golden scepter, and inuiteth the King and Haman to a banquet. 6 She being encouraged by the King in her suit, inuiteth them to another banquet the next day. 9 Haman, proud of his aduancement, repineth at the contempt of Mordecai. 14 By the counsell of Zeresh, he buildeth for him a payre of gallowes.*

NOw it came to passe on the third day that Esther put on her royall *apparell*, and stood in the inner court of the Kings house, ouer against the Kings house: and the King sate vpon his royall throne in the royall house, ouer against the gate of the house.

2 And it was so, when the King saw Esther the Queene standing in the court, *that* she obtained fauour in his sight: and the King held out to Esther the golden scepter that was in his hand: so Esther drew neere, and touched the top of the scepter.

3 Then said the King vnto her, What wilt thou, Queene Esther? and what *is* thy request? It shall be euen giuen thee, to the halfe of the kingdome.

4 And Esther answered, If it seeme good vnto the King, let the King and Haman come this day vnto the banquet that I haue prepared for him.

5 Then the King said, Cause Haman to make haste, that hee may doe as Esther hath said: so the King and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6 ¶ And the King said vnto Esther at the banquet of wine, What *is* thy petition, and it shall be granted thee? and what *is* thy request? euen to the halfe of the kingdome it shall be performed.

7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request *is*,

8 If I haue found fauour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition and † to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will doe to morrow as the King hath said.

† *Hebr. to doe.*

9 ¶ Then went Haman forth that day ioyfull, and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the kings gate, that he did not vp, nor moue for him, hee was full of indignation against Mordecai.

10 Neuertheless Haman refrained himselfe, and when he came home, he sent, and † called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.

† *Hebr. caused to come.*

11 And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all *the* things wherein the King had promoted him, and how hee had aduanced him aboue the Princes and seruants of the king.

12 Haman said moreouer, Yea, Esther the Queene did let no man come in with the King vnto the banquet that she had prepared, but me: and to morrow am I inuited vnto her also with the

13 Yet all this auaileth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Iew sitting at the kings gate.

14 ¶ Then said Zeresh his wife, and all his friends vnto him, Let a gallowes be made of fifty cubits high, and to morrow speake thou vnto the king, that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then goe thou in merily with the king vnto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman, and he caused the gallowes to be made.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Ahasuerus reading the records of his kingdome, seeketh meanes to reward. 4 Haman coming to speake with the King, is preuented to aduise how he might be honoured. 11 He is constrained to honour Mordecai. 13 He is counselled of his wife and friends, but foretold of his fortune, his friends and*

ON that night could not the King sleepe: and he commanded to bring the booke of the Chronicles; & they were read before the King.

2 And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh, two of the King of Chamberlaines, the keepers of the doore, which sought to lay hand on the King Ahasuerus.

3 And the King said, What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this? Then said the Kings seruants that ministred vnto him, There is nothing done for him.

4 ¶ And the King said, Who *is* in the court? (now Haman was come into the outward court of the Kings house, to speake vnto the King that he would hang Mordecai on the gallowes that he had prepared for him.)

5 And the Kings seruants said vnto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the King said, Let him come in.

6 So Haman came in, and the King said vnto him, What shall be done vnto the man whom the King delighteth to honour? (Now Haman thought in his heart, To whom would the King delight to doe honour more than to my selfe?)

7 And Haman answered the King, For † him whom the King delighteth to honour,

8 † Let the royall apparell be brought which the King *vseth* to weare, and the horse that the King rideth vpon, and the crowne royall which is set vpon his head:

9 And let this apparell and horse be deliuered to the hand of one of the kings most noble princes, that they may array therewith the man whom the King delighteth to honour, and bring him on horseback through the streete of the city, and proclaime before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the King delighteth to honour.

10 Then the King said to Haman, Make haste, take the apparell and the horse, as thou hast said, and doe so to Mordecai the Iew that sitteth at the kings gate: let nothing fall of all that thou hast spoken.

11 Then tooke Haman the apparell and the horse, and arayed Mordecai, and brought him on horseback through the streete of the city, and proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the King delighteth to honour.

12 ¶ And Mordecai came again to the

but Haman hasted to his house, mourning
couing his head couered.
And Haman told Zeresh his wife, and all his
nds, euery thing that had befallen him. Then
is wise men and Zeresh his wife vnto him, If
rdecai be of the seed of the Iewes, before whom
hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prouaile
t him, but shalt surely fall before him.
And while they were yet talking with him,
the Kings chamberlaines, and hasted to bring
m vnto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

CHAP. VII.

Esther entertaining the King and Haman, maketh her request for her owne life, and her peoples. 5 She sheweth Haman. 7 The King in his anger vnder standing of the gallowes which Haman had made for Mordecai, causeth him to be hanged thereon.

So the King and Haman came †to banquet with
Esther the Queene.
And the King said againe vnto Esther on the
second day at the banquet of wine, What is thy
tion Queene Esther, and it shall bee granted
thee: and what is thy request? and it shall be per
formed, euen to the halfe of the kingdome
Then Esther the Queene answered, and said, If
I haue found fauour in thy sight, O King, and if it
please the King, let my life be giuen me at my pe-
tition, and my people at my request:
For we are sold, I and my people, †to be de
stroyed, to be slaine, and to perish: but if we had
been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held
my tongue, although the enemy could not counter-
uaile the Kings damage.
Then the King Ahasuerus answered, and said
vnto Esther the Queene, Who is he? and where is
he that dare presume in his heart to do so?
And Esther said, † The aduersary and enemy
is this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid
before the King and the Queene.
And the King arose from the banquet of
his wine, *went* into the palace garden:
but Haman stood vp to make request for his life to
Esther the Queene: for he saw that there was
determined against him by the King.
Then the King returned out of the palace gar-
den into the place of the banquet of wine, and Ha-
man was fallen vpon the bed whereon Esther *was*.
Then said the King, Will he force the Queene also
before me in the house? As the word went out
of the Kings mouth, they couered Hamans face.
And Harbonah one of the chamberlaines, said
before the King, Behold also the † gallowes fifty
cubits high, which Haman had made for Mor-
decai, who had spoken good for the King, standeth in
the house of Haman. Then the King said, Hang
him thereon.
So they hanged Haman on the gallowes that
he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the
wrath of the King pacified.

CHAP. VIII.

Esther is aduanced. 3 Esther maketh suit against Hamans letters. 7 Ahasuerus graunteth them to defend themselues. 15 Mordecai aduanceth the Iewes ioy.

That day did the King Ahasuerus giue the
house of Haman the Iewes enemy, vnto Esther
the Queene: and Mordecai came before the King,
for Esther had told what he *was* vnto her.
And the King tooke off his ring, which he had
taken from Haman, and gaue it vnto Mordecai.
And Esther set Mordecai ouer the house of Haman.
And Esther spake yet againe before the
King, and fell downe at his feet, † and besought
him with teares to put away the mischiefe of Ha-
man the Agagite, and his deuice that hee had de-
uised against the Iewes.
Then the King held out the golden Scepter
toward Esther. So Esther arose, and stood before
the King,
And said, If it please the King, and if I haue
found fauour in his sight, and the thing seeme
right before the King, and I be pleasing in his eyes,
let it bee written to reuerse † the letters deuised
by Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite,
which he wrote to destroy the Iewes, which are
in all the Kings prouinces.
For how can I † endure to see the euill that
shall come vnto my people? or how can I endure
to see the destruction of my kinred?
Then the King Ahasuerus said vnto Esther
the Queene, and to Mordecai the Iew, Behold, I
haue giuen Esther the house of Haman, and him
they haue hanged vpon the gallowes, because hee
laid his hand vpon the Iewes.
Write ye also for the Iewes, as it liketh you,
in the Kings name, and seale it with the Kings
ring: for the writing which is written in the
Kings name, and sealed with the Kings ring, *may
no man reuerse.
Then were the Kings Scribes called at that
time in the third moneth, (that is, the moneth Si-
uan) on the three and twentieth day thereof, and it
was written (according to all that Mordecai com-
manded) vnto the Iewes, and to the Lieutenants, and
the deputies and rulers of the prouinces, which are
from India vnto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty and
seuen prouinces, vnto euery prouince, according to
the writing thereof, and vnto euery people after
their language, and to the Iewes according to their
writing, and according to their language.
And he wrote in the King Ahasuerus name,
and sealed it with the Kings ring, and sent letters
by Posts on horsebacke, and riders on mules, camels
and young dromedaries:
Wherein the King granted the Iewes, which
were in euery city, to gather themselues together, &
to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, & to cause
to perish all the power of the people and prouince
that would assault them, both little ones, and wo-
men, and to take the spoile of them for a prey:
Vpon one day, in all the prouinces of King
Ahasuerus, *namely*, vpon the thirteenth day of the
twelfth moneth, which *is* the moneth Adar.
The copy of the writing for a commandement
to be giuen in euery prouince, was † published vnto
all people, and *that* the Iewes should be ready against
that day, to auenge themselues on their enemies.
So the Posts that rode vpon mules and camels
went out, being hastened, and pressed on by the
Kings commandement, and the decree was giuen
at Shushan the palace.
And Mordecai went out from the presence
of the King, in royall apparell of blew and white,
and with a great crowne of gold, and with a gar-
ment of fine linnen and purple, and the city of Shu-
shan reioyced, and was glad.
The Iewes had light and gladnesse, and ioy,
and honour.
And in euery prouince, and in euery city whi-
thersoeuer the kings commandment, and his de-
cree came, the Iewes had ioy and gladnesse, a feast
and a good day: And many of the people of the
land became Iewes, for the feare of the Iewes fell
vpon them.

† *Hebr. and she weps and besought him.*

† *Heb. she deuise.* ‖ *Or who wrote.*

! *Hebr. be able that I may see.*

* *See ch. 1. 19.*

† *Hebr. remained.*

‖ *Or, vine-leaues.*

CHAP.

CHAP. IX.

1 *The Iewes (the Rulers for feare of Mordecai helping them) slay their enemies, with the ten sons of Haman.* 12 *Ahasuerus at the request of Esther, graunteth another day of slaughter, and Hamans sonnes to be hanged.* 20 *The two dayes of Purim are made festiuall.*

NOw in the twelfth moneth (that is the moneth Adar) on the thirteenth *day* of the same, when the kings commandement & his decree drew neere to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Iewes hoped to haue power ouer them: (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Iewes had rule ouer them that hated them.)

2 The Iewes gathered themselues together in their cities, throughout all the prouinces of the King Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them, for the feare of them fell vpon all people.

3 And all the Rulers of the prouinces, and the Lieutenants, and the Deputies, and † Officers of the King helped the Iewes: because the feare of Mordecai fell vpon them.

† Hebr. those which did the businesse that belonged to the King.

4 For Mordecai *was* great in the kings house, and his fame went out throughout all the prouinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater.

5 Thus the Iewes smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, & slaughter, & destruction, and did † what they would vnto those that hated them.

† Hebr. according to their will.

6 And in Shushan the palace, the Iewes slew and destroyed fiue hundred men:

7 And Parshandatha, & Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisa, and Aridai, and Vaiezatha,

10 The ten sonnes of Haman, the sonne of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Iewes slew they, but on the spoile laid they not their hand.

11 On that day the number of those that were slaine in Shushan the palace, † was brought before the King.

† Hebr. came.

12 ¶ And the King said vnto Esther the Queene, The Iewes haue slaine and destroyed fiue hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what haue they done in the rest of the Kings prouinces? now what *is* thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or what *is* thy request further? and it shall be done.

13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the Iewes which *are* in Shushan to do to morrow also according to this daies decree, & † let Hamans ten sonnes be hanged vpon the gallowes.

† Hebr. let men hang.

14 And the King commanded it so to bee done; and the decree was giuen at Shushan, and they hanged Hamans ten sonnes.

15 For the Iewes that *were* in Shushan, gathered themselues together on the fourteenth day also of the moneth Adar, and slew three hundred men at Shushan: but on the prey they laid not their hand.

16 But the other Iewes that *were* in the Kings prouinces, gathered themselues together, and stood for their liues, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes, seuentie and fiue thousand: but they laid not their hands on the prey.

17 On the thirteenth day of the moneth Adar, and on the fourteenth day † of the same, rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladnesse.

† Hebr. he it.

18 But the Iewes that *were* at Shushan, assembled together on the thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof, and on the fifteenth *day* of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladnesse.

19 Therefore the Iewes of the villages that dwelt in the vnwalled townes, make the fourteenth day of the moneth Adar, a day of gladnesse and feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another.

20 ¶ And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters vnto all the Iewes that were in all the prouinces of the King Ahasuerus, both nigh and farre,

21 To stablish *this* among them, that they should keep the fourteenth day of the moneth Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same yeere,

22 As the dayes wherein the Iewes rested from their enemies, and the moneth which was turned vnto them from sorrow to ioy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should make them dayes of feasting and ioy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poore.

23 And the Iewes vndertooke to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written vnto them,

24 Because Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite, the enemy of all the Iewes, had deuised against the Iewes to destroy them, and had cast Pur, (that *is*, the lot) to † consume them, and to destroy them.

† Hebr. when it came before.

25 But † when *Esther* came before the King, he commanded by letters, that his wicked deuice which he deuised against the Iewes, should return vpon his owne head, and that he and his sonnes should be hanged on the gallowes.

26 Wherefore they called these dayes Purim after the name of † Pur: therefore for all the words of this letter, & of *that* which they had seene concerning this matter, & which had come vnto them,

† Hebr. the name of Pur.

27 The Iewes ordained, & tooke vpon them, and vpon their seed, and vpon all such as ioyned themselues vnto them, so as it should not † faile, that they would keepe these two dayes, according to their writing, and according to their appointed time euery yeere:

† Hebr. ouerpasse.

28 And that these dayes *should be* remembred and kept throughout euery generation, euery family, euery prouince, and euery citie: and that these dayes of Purim should not † faile from among the Iewes, nor the memoriall of them perish from their seed.

† Hebr. ouerpasse.

29 Then Esther the Queene the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Iew, wrote with all authority, to confirme this second letter of Purim.

30 And he sent the letters vnto all the Iewes, to the hundred twenty and seuen prouinces of the kingdome of Ahasuerus, with words of peace and truth:

31 To confirme these dayes of Purim in their appointed times, according as Mordecai the Iew and Esther the Queene had enioyned them, and as they had decreed † for themselues and for their seed, the matters of the fastings and their crying.

† Hebr. vpon their soule.

32 And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim, and it was written in the booke.

CHAP. X.

1 *Ahasuerus his greatnesse.* 3 *Mordecai his aduancement.*

AND the King Ahasuerus layd a tribute vpon the land, and vpon the ilands of the sea.

2 And all the acts of his power, and of his might, and the declaration of the greatnesse of Mordecai, whereunto the King aduanced him, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Media and Persia?

3 For Mordecai the Iew was next vnto king Ahasuerus, & great among the Iewes, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.

¶ THE BOOKE OF IOB.

CHAP. I.

The holineſſe, vertues, and religious care of Iob for his children. 6 Satan appearing before God, by permiſſion obtaineth leaue to tempt Iob. 13 Vnderſtanding of the loſſe of his goods and children, in mourning he bleſſeth GOD.

THere was a man in the land of Vz, whoſe name was Iob, and that man was * perfect and vpright, and one that feared God, and eſchewed euill.

2 And there were borne vnto him ſeuen ſonnes and three daughters.

3 His ſubſtance alſo was ſeuen thouſand ſheepe, and three thouſand camels, and fiue hundred yoke of oxen, and fiue hundred ſhee aſſes, and a very great houſhold: ſo that this man was the greateſt of all the † men of the East.

4 And his ſons went and feaſted in *their* houſes, euery one his day, and ſent and called for their three ſiſters to eate and to drinke with them.

5 And it was ſo when the dayes of *their* feaſting were gone about, that Iob ſent and ſanctified them, and roſe vp early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings, *according* to the number of them all: for Iob ſaid: It may bee that my ſons haue ſinned, and * curſed God in their hearts: Thus did Iob continually.

6 ¶ Now there was a day when the ſons of God came to preſent themſelues before the LORD, and Satan came alſo † among them.

7 And the LORD ſaid vnto Satan, Whence comeſt thou? then Satan anſwered the LORD, and ſaid, From going to and fro in the * earth, and from walking vp and downe in it.

8 And the LORD ſaid vnto Satan, † Haſt thou conſidered my ſeruant Iob, that *there is* none like him in the earth? a perfect and an vpright man, one that feareth God, and eſcheweth euill?

9 Then Satan anſwered the LORD, and ſaid, Doth Iob feare God for nought?

10 Haſt not thou made an hedge about him, and about his houſe, and about all that he hath on euery ſide? thou haſt bleſſed the worke of his hands, and his ſubſtance is increaſed in the land.

11 But put forth thy hand now, and touch all that he hath, † and he will curſe thee to thy face.

12 And the LORD ſaid vnto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy † power: only vpon himſelfe put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the preſence of the LORD.

13 ¶ And there was a day when his ſons and his daughters were eating, and drinking wine in their eldeſt brothers houſe:

14 And there came a meſſenger vnto Iob, and ſaid, The oxen were plowing, and the aſſes feeding beſide them,

15 And the Sabeans fell *vpon them*, and tooke them away: yea, they haue ſlaine the ſeruants with the edge of the ſword, and I only am eſcaped alone to tell thee.

16 While he was yet ſpeaking, there came alſo another, and ſaid, ‖ The fire of God is fallen from heauen, and hath burnt vp the ſheepe, and the ſeruants, and conſumed them, and I only am eſcaped alone to tell thee.

17 While he was yet ſpeaking, there came alſo another, and ſaid, The Caldeans made out three bands, and † fell vpon the camels, and haue caried them away, yea, and ſlaine the ſeruants with the edge of the ſword, and I only am eſcaped alone to tell thee.

18 While he was yet ſpeaking, there came alſo another, and ſaid, Thy ſonnes and thy daughters were eating, and drinking wine in their eldeſt brothers houſe:

19 And behold, there came a great wind † from the wilderneſſe, and ſmote the foure corners of the houſe, and it fell vpon the young men, and they are dead, and I only am eſcaped alone to tell thee.

20 Then Iob aroſe and rent his ‖ mantle, and ſhaued his head, and fell downe vpon the ground, and worſhipped,

21 And ſaid, * Naked came I out of my mothers wombe, and naked ſhall I returne thither: the LORD gaue, and the LORD hath taken away, bleſſed be the name of the LORD.

22 In all this Iob ſinned not, nor ‖ charged God ſooliſhly.

CHAP. II.

1 Satan appearing againe before God, obtaineth further leaue to tempt Iob: 7 Hee ſmiteth him with ſore boiles. 9 Iob reproueth his wife mouing him to curſe God. 11 His three friends condole with him in ſilence.

AGaine, there was a day when the ſons of God came to preſent themſelues before the LORD, and Satan came alſo among them to preſent himſelfe before the LORD.

2 And the LORD ſaid vnto Satan, From whence comeſt thou? And * Satan anſwered the LORD, and ſaid, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking vp and downe in it.

3 * And the LORD ſaid vnto Satan, Haſt thou conſidered my ſeruant Iob, that *there is* none like him in the earth, a perfect and vpright man, one that feareth God, and eſcheweth euill? and ſtill he holdeth faſt his integrity, although thou mouedſt me againſt him, † to deſtroy him without cauſe.

4 And Satan anſwered the LORD, and ſaid, Skin for skin, yea all that a man hath will hee giue for his life.

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his fleſh & he will curſe thee to thy face.

6 And the LORD ſaid vnto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand, ‖ but ſaue his life.

7 ¶ So went Satan forth from the preſence of the LORD, and ſmote Iob with ſore boiles, from the ſole of his foot vnto his crowne.

8 And he tooke him a potſheard to ſcrape himſelfe withall: and he ſate downe among the aſhes.

9 ¶ Then ſaid his wife vnto him, Doeſt thou ſtill retaine thine integrity? Curſe God and die.

10 But he ſaid vnto her, Thou ſpeakeſt as one of the fooliſh women ſpeaketh: what? ſhall wee receiue good at the hand of God, & ſhall we not receiue euill? In all this did not Iob ſin with his lips.

11 ¶ Now when Iobs three friends heard of all this euill that was come vpon him, they came euery one from his owne place: Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment together, to come to mourne with him, and to comfort him.

12 And when they lift vp their eyes afar off, and

† *Hebr.* the *rushed.*

† *Hebr.* *from aboue ſide, &c.*

‖ *Or, y ſhirt.*

* Eccles. 5.14. 1. tim. 6.7.

‖ *Or, attributed fol-ly to God.*

* Chap. 1.7.

* Chap. 1. verſ. 12. and 8.

† *Hebr.* to *ſwallow him vp.*

‖ *Or, and.*

knew him not, they lifted vp their voice and wept: and they rent euery one his mantle, and sprinkled dust vpon their heads toward heauen.

13 So they sate downe with him vpon the ground seuen dayes, and seuen nights, and none spake a word vnto him: for they saw that *his* griefe was very great.

CHAP. III.

1 *Iob curseth the day, and seruices of his birth.* 13 *The ease of death.* 20 *Hee complaineth of life, because of his anguish.*

AFter this opened Iob his mouth, and cursed his day.

2 And Iob † spake and said,

3 * Let the day perish wherein I was borne, and the night *in which* it was said, There is a man-childe conceiued.

4 Let that day be darkenesse, let not God regard it from aboue, neither let the light shine vpon it.

5 Let darkenesse and the shadow of death ‖staine it, let a cloud dwell vpon it, ‖ let the blacknesse of the day terrifie it.

6 As for that night, let darkenesse seize vpon it, ‖let it not bee ioyned vnto the dayes of the yeere, let it not come into the number of the moneths.

7 Loe, let that night be solitary, let no ioyfull voyce come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise vp ‖their mourning.

9 Let the starres of the twilight thereof be darke, let it looke for light, but *haue* none, neither let it see † the dawning of the day:

10 Because it shut not vp the doores of my *mothers* wombe, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

11 Why died I not from the wombe? *why* did I *not* giue vp the ghost when I came out of the belly?

12 Why did the knees preuent mee? or why the breasts that I should suck?

13 For now should I haue lien still & bin quiet, I should haue slept; then had I beene at rest,

14 With Kings and Counsellers of the earth, which built desolate places for themselues,

15 Or with Princes that *had* gold, who filled their houses with siluer:

16 Or as an hidden vntimely birth, I had not beene: as infants *which* neuer saw light.

17 There the wicked cease *from* troubling: and there the † weary be at rest.

18 *There* the prisoners rest together, they heare not the voyce of the oppressour.

19 The small and great are there, and the seruant *is* free from his master.

20 Wherefore is light giuen to him that is in misery, and life vnto the bitter *in* soule?

21 Which † long for death, but it *commeth* not, and dig for it more then for hid treasures:

22 Which reioyce exceedingly, *and* are glad when they can find the graue?

23 *Why is light giuen* to a man whose way is hid, * and whom God hath hedged in?

24 For my sighing commeth † before I eate, and my roarings are powred out like the waters.

25 For † the thing which I greatly feared is come vpon me: and that which I was afraid of, is come vnto me.

26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet: yet trouble came.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *Eliphaz reproueth Iob for want of religion.* 7 *He teacheth Gods iudgements to be, not for the righteous, but for the wicked.* 12 *His fearefull vision, to humble the excellencies of creatures before God.*

THen Eliphaz the Temanite answered, and said,

2 *If* we assay † to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieued? but † who can withhold himself from speaking?

3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weake hands.

4 Thy words haue vpholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened † the feeble knees.

5 But now it is come vpon thee, and thou faintest, it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.

6 *Is* not this thy feare, thy confidence, thy righteousnesse of thy wayes, and thy hope?

7 Remember, I pray thee, who euer perished being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?

8 * Euen as I haue seene, they that plow iniquitie, and sow wickednesse, reape the same.

9 By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his * ‖ nostrils are they consumed.

10 The roaring of the lyon, and the voyce of the fierce lyon, and the teeth of the young lyons are broken.

11 The old lyon perisheth for lacke of prey, and the stout lyons whelpes are scattered abroad.

12 Now a thing was † secretly brought to me, and mine eare receiued a little thereof.

13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deepe sleepe falleth on men,

14 Feare † came vpon me, and trembling, which made † all my bones to shake.

15 Then a spirit passed before my face: the haire of my flesh stood vp.

16 It stood still, but I could not discerne the forme thereof: an image *was* before mine eyes, ‖*there was* silence, and I heard a voyce, *saying*,

17 Shall mortall man bee more iust then God? shall a man be more pure then his Maker?

18 Behold, he * put no trust in his seruants, and his Angels he charged with folly:

19 How much lesse *on them* that dwell in * houses of clay, whose foundation *is* in the dust, which are crushed before the moth.

20 They are † destroyed from morning to euening: they perish for euer without any regarding *it*.

21 Doeth not their excellency *which is* in them goe away? they die, *euen* without wisedome.

CHAP. V.

1 *The harme of inconsideration.* 3 *The wicked is misery.* 6 *God is to be regarded in affliction.* 17 *The happy end of Gods correction.*

CAll now, if there be any that will answer thee; and to which of the Saints wilt thou turne?

2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and enuy slayeth the silly one.

3 I haue seene the foolish taking root: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.

4 His children are farre from safety, and they are crushed in the gate, neither *is there any* to deliuer *them*.

5 Whose harnest the hungry eateth vp, and taketh it euen out of the thornes, and the robber swalloweth vp their substance.

6 Although ‖ affliction commeth not forth of the dust, neither doeth trouble spring out of the ground:

7 Yet man is borne vnto ‖ trouble, as the † sparkes flie vpward.

8 I would seeke vnto God, and vnto God would I commit my cause:

9 * Which doeth great things † and vnsearchable: marueilous things † without number:

10 Who giueth raine vpon the earth, and sendeth waters vpon the † fields:

11 *

Iob 20. 14. 15. e 15. 10 ‖ Hebr. answered

* Chap. 10. 18, 19. Ier. 20. 14.

‖ Or, challenge it.

‖ Or, let them terrifie it as those who haue a bitter day

‖ Or, let it not reioyce among the dayes.

‖ Or, Leuiathan.

† Hebr. the eyelids of the morning.

† Hebr. marred in strength.

† Hebr. waite.

* Chap. 19. 8.

† Hebr. before my meat.

† Hebr. I feared a feare, and it came vpon me.

11 *To set vp on high those that bee low, that those which mourne may be exalted to safety.
12 *He disappointeth the deuices of the crafty, so that their hands ‖ cannot performe their enterprise.
13 *He taketh the wise in their owne craftines: and the counsell of the froward is carried headlong.
14 *They I meet with darknesse in the day time, and grope in the noone day as in the night.
15 But he saueth the poore from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.
16 *So the poore hath hope, and iniquitie stoppeth her mouth.
17 *Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty.
18 *For hee maketh sore, and bindeth vp: hee woundeth, and his hands make whole.
19 *Hee shall deliuer thee in sixe troubles, yea, in seuen, there shall no euill touch thee.
20 In famine he shall redeeme thee from death: and in warre from the † power of the sword.
21 Thou shalt be hid ‖ from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it commeth.
22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of ‖ beasts of the earth.
23 *For thou *shalt be* in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall bee at peace with thee.
24 And thou shalt know that thy ‖ Tabernacle *shall be* in peace: and thou shalt visite thy habitation, and shalt not ‖ sinne.
25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed shall bee great, & thine ‖ offspring as the grasse of the earth.
26 Thou shalt come to thy graue in a full age, as a shocke of corne ‖ commeth in, in his season.
27 Loe this, we haue searched it, so *it is*: heare it, and know thou it † for thy good.

*19. ‖ Or, much. † Hebr. ascendeth. † Heb. for my flesh † of brasse?

CHAP. VI.

Iob answereth that his complaints are not causeles. ‖ He wisheth for death, wherein he is assured of rest. 14 Hee reproueth his friends of vnkindnesse.

1 Then Iob answered, and said,
2 O that my griefe were throughly weighed, and my calamitie ‖ laid in the ballances together.
3 For now it would bee heauier then the sand of the sea, therefore my words are ‖ swallowed vp.
4 *For the arrowes of the Almighty are within me, the poison whereof drinketh vp my spirit: the terrors of God doe set themselues in aray against me.
5 Doth the wild asse bray, ‖ when he hath grasse? or loweth the oxe ouer his fodder?
6 Can that which is vnsauoury be eaten without salt? or is there any taste in the white of an egge?
7 The things *that my* soule refused to touch, are as sorrowfull meat.
8 O that I might haue my request: and that God would grant me † the thing that I long for!
9 Euen that it would please God to destroy me, that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off.
10 Then should I yet haue comfort, yea, I would harden my selfe in sorrow; let him not spare, for I haue not concealed the words of the holy One.
11 What is my strength that I should hope? and what is mine end that I should ‖ prolong my life?
12 Is my strength the strength of stones? or is my flesh † of brasse?
13 *Is* not my helpe in me? and *is* wisedome driuen quite from me?
14 † To him that is afflicted, pity *should* bee *shewed* from his friend, but he forsaketh the feare of the Almighty.
15 My brethren haue dealt deceitfully as a brooke, & as ỹ streame of brooks they passe away.
16 Which are blackish by reason of the yce, *and* wherein the snow is hid:
17 What time they waxe warme, ‖ they vanish: † when it is hot, they are † consumed out of their place.
18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they goe to nothing, and perish.
19 The troopes of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for them.
20 They were confounded, because they had hoped; they came thither, and were ashamed.
21 ‖ For now ye are † nothing; ye see *my* casting downe, and are afraid.
22 Did I say, Bring vnto me? or giue a reward for me of your substance?
23 Or deliuer me from the enemies hand? or redeeme me from the hand of the mighty?
24 Teach mee, and I will hold my tongue: and cause me to vnderstand wherein I haue erred.
25 How forcible are right words? but what doth your arguing reproue?
26 Doe ye imagine to reproue words? and the speeches of one ỹ is desperate, *which are as* winde?
27 Yea, † ye ouerwhelme the fatherlesse, and you dig a *pit* for your friend.
28 Now therefore be content, looke vpon me, for it is † euident vnto *you*, if I lie.
29 Returne, I pray you, let it not bee iniquity; yea, returne againe: my righteousnesse *is* ‖ in it.
30 Is there iniquity in my tongue? cannot † my taste discerne peruerse things?

*1 Or, a warfare. † Heb. gapeth after. ‖ Or, for. † Heb. shall be measured. * Chap. 16.22. psal. 90.6. and 102. 11. & 103. 15. & 144. 4. isa. 40. 6. iam. 4. 14. † Heb. shall not returne. ‖ To see. † Heb. in the heate thereof. † Heb. extinguished. ‖ Or, for. are like to them. Heb. to it. † Heb. nate. † Hel. ye cause to fall vpon. † Heb. before your face. ‖ That is, in this matter. ‖ Hebr. my palate.

CHAP. VII.

Iob excuseth his desire of death. 12 Hee complaineth of his owne restlesnesse, 17 and Gods watchfulnesse.

1 Is there not ‖ an appointed time to man vpon earth? *are* not his dayes also like the dayes of an hireling?
2 As a seruant † earnestly desireth the shadow & as an hireling looketh for *the reward* of his worke:
3 So am I made to possesse moneths of vanity; and wearisome nights are appointed vnto me.
4 When I lie downe, I say, When shall I arise, and the † night be gone? and I am full of tossings to and fro, vnto the dawning of the day.
5 My flesh is clothed with wormes and clods of dust, my skin is broken, and become loathsome.
6 *My dayes are swifter then a weauers shuttle, and are spent without hope.
7 O remember that my life is winde: mine eye † shall no more ‖ see good.
8 The eye of him that hath seene me, shal see me no *more*: thine eyes *are* vpon me, and I ‖ *am* not.
9 *As* the cloud is consumed, & vanisheth away: so he ỹ goeth down to the graue, shal come vp no *more*
10 He shall returne no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.
11 Therefore I will not refraine my mouth, I will speake in the anguish of my spirit, I will complaine in the bitternesse of my soule.
12 Am I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch ouer me?
13 When I say, My bed shall comfort mee, my couch shall ease my complaint:

14 Then thou scarest me with dreames, and terrifiest me through visions.

† Hebr. then my bones.

15 So that my soule chuseth strangling: *and* death rather † then my life.

16 I loath it, I would not liue alway: let mee alone, for my dayes *are* vanity.

* Psal. 8.4. and 144.3. heb. 2.6.

17 * What *is* man that thou shouldest magnifie him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart vpon him?

18 And *that* thou shouldest visit him euery morning, *and* try him euery moment?

19 How long wilt thou not depart from me? nor let me alone till I swallow downe my spittle?

20 I haue sinned, what shall I doe vnto thee, O thou preseruer of men? why hast thou set me as a marke against thee, so that I am a burden to my selfe?

21 And why doest thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleepe in the dust, and thou shalt seeke me in the morning, but I shall not be.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *Bildad sheweth Gods iustice, in dealing with men according to their workes.* 8 *He aduiseth antiquity to proue the certaine destruction of the hypocrite.* 20 *He applieth Gods iust dealing to Iob.*

THen answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 How long wilt thou speake these things? and *how long* shall the words of thy mouth *be like* a strong winde?

* Deut. 32.4. 2. chro. 19.7 dan. 9.14.

3 * Doth God peruert iudgement? or doth the Almighty peruert iustice?

4 If thy children haue sinned against him, and he haue cast them away † for their transgression:

† Heb. in the hand of their transgression.

5 * If thou wouldest seeke vnto God betimes, and make thy supplication vnto the Almighty:

* Chap. 22.23.

6 If thou *were* pure and vpright, surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousnesse prosperous.

7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.

* Deut. 4.32.

8 * For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thy selfe to the search of their fathers.

9 (For * wee *are but* of yesterday, and know † nothing, because our dayes vpon earth *are* a shadow.)

* See chap. 7.6. gen 47.9. 1. chr. 29. 15. psal. 144.4. & 39.14.

10 Shall not they teach thee, *and* tell thee, and vtter words out of their heart?

† Hebr. not.

11 Can the rush grow vp without mire? can the flagge grow without water?

* psal. 129.6. ier. 17.6.

12 * Whilst it *is* yet in his greenenesse *and* not cut downe, it withereth before any *other* herbe.

13 So *are* the paths of all that forget God; and the * hypocrites hope shall perish:

* Chap. 11.20. & 18.14. psal 112. 10 prou. 10 28.

14 Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall be † a spiders web.

† Hebr. a spiders house.

15 He shall leane vpon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.

† Hebr. rais she vngodly by the hand.

16 He *is* greene before the Sunne, and his branch shooteth foorth in his garden.

17 His rootes are wrapped about the heape, *and* seeth the place of stones.

† Hebr. shouting for ioy.

18 If he destroy him from his place, then *it* shall deny him, *saying*, I haue not seene thee.

19 Behold, this *is* the ioy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.

20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will he † helpe the euill doers:

21 Till he fill thy mouth *with* laughing, and thy lips *with* † reioycing.

22 They that hate thee, shall bee clothed with shame, and the dwelling place of the wicked shall come to nought.

CHAP. IX.

1 *Iob acknowledging Gods iustice, shewing that he is no contending with him.* 22 *Man is no cause to be condemned by affliction.*

THen Iob answered, and said,

2 I know it *is* so of a truth: but how should * man be iust † with God?

3 If he will contend with him, hee cannot answere him one of a thousand.

4 He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened *himselfe* against him, and hath prospered?

5 Which remooueth the mountaines, and they know not: which ouerturneth them in his anger.

6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble:

7 Which commandeth the Sunne, and it riseth not: and sealeth vp the Starres.

8 * Which alone spreadeth out the heauens, and treadeth vpon the † waues of the Sea.

9 * Which maketh † Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the South:

10 * Which doth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders without number.

11 Loe he goeth by me, and I see *him* not: he passeth on also, but I perceiue him not.

12 * Behold, hee taketh away, † who can hinder him? who will say vnto him, What doest thou?

13 *If* God will not withdraw his anger, the † proud helpers doe stoupe vnder him.

14 How much lesse shall I answere him, and chuse out my words *to reason* with him?

15 Whom though I were righteous, yet would I not answere, *but* I would make supplication to my Iudge.

16 If I had called, and he had answered me; yet would I not beleeue that hee had hearkened vnto my voyce:

17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.

18 He will not suffer mee to take my breath, but filleth me with bitternesse.

19 If *I speake* of strength, loe he *is* strong: and if of iudgement, who shall set me a time to plead?

20 If I iustifie my selfe, mine owne mouth shall condemne me: *If I say*, I am perfect, it shall also proue me peruerse.

21 *Though* I *were* perfect, *yet* would I not know my soule: I would despise my life.

22 This *is* one thing, therefore I said it: he destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.

23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the triall of the innocent.

24 The earth is giuen into the hand of the wicked: he couereth the faces of the Iudges thereof: if not, where *and* who *is* he?

25 Now my dayes are swifter then a Post: they flee away, they see no good.

26 They are passed away as the † swift ships: as the Eagle *that* hasteth to the prey.

27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leaue off my heauinesse, and comfort my selfe:

28 I am afraid of all my sorrowes, I know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.

29 If I be wicked, why then labour I in vaine?

30 If I wash my selfe with snow water, and make my hands neuer so cleane:

31 Yet shalt thou plunge mee in the ditch, and mine owne clothes shall abhorre me.

32 For he *is* not a man as I am, *that* I should

re him, *and* wee should come together in
gement.
Neither is there † any ‖ daysman betwixt vs,
e might lay his hand vpon vs both.
Let him take his rod away from me, and let
his feare terrifie me.
Then would I speake and not feare him, † but
not so with me.

CHAP. X.

Iob tasting liberty of complaint, expostulateth with God about his afflictions. 18 He complaineth of life, and craueth a little ease before death.

MY soule is ‖ weary of my life, I will leaue
my complaint vpon my selfe; I will speake
the bitternesse of my ‖ soule.
I will say vnto God, Doe not condemne me;
me wherefore thou contendest with me.
Is it good vnto thee, that thou shouldest op-
e † that thou shouldest despise † the worke of
hands? and shine vpon the counsell of the
ked?
Hast thou eies of flesh? or seest thou as man
s?
Are thy daies as the daies of man? are thy
rs as mans dayes,
That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and
chest after my sinne?
Thou knowest that I am not wicked, and *there*
e that can deliuer out of thine hand.
Thine hands † haue made me, and fashioned me
ther round about; yet thou doest destroy me.
Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made
e clay, and wilt thou bring me into dust
ne?
Hast thou not powred me out as milke, and
dled me like cheese?
Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and
tened me with bones and sinewes.
Thou hast granted me life and fauour, and thy
tion hath preserued my spirit.
And these things hast thou hid in thine heart;
ow that this is with thee.
If I sinne, then thou markest me, and thou wilt
quit me from mine iniquity.
If I be wicked, woe vnto me, and if I be righ-
s, yet will I not lift vp mine head: I am full of
ion, therefore see thou mine affliction:
For it increaseth: thou huntest me as a fierce
: and againe, thou shewest thy selfe marueil-
vpon me.
Thou renewest thy witnesses against me, and
reasest thine indignation vpon me: changes and
e are against me.
Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth
of the wombe? O that I had giuen vp the
, and no eie had seene me!
I should haue beene as though I had not
n; I should haue been carried from the wombe
e grane.
Are not my dayes few? cease then, *and* let me
e, that I may take comfort a little,
Before I goe *whence* I shall not returne, *euen*
land of darkenesse, and the shadow of death,
A land of darkenesse, as darkenesse it selfe, *and*
e shadow of death without any order, and
e the light is as darkenesse.

CHAP. XI.

Zophar reproueth Iob for iustifying himselfe. His wisdome is vnsearcheable. 13 The assured way of repentance.

THen answered Zophar the Naamathite, and
said,

2 Should not the multitude of words be answe-
red? and should † a man full of talke be iustified?
3 Should thy ‖ lies make men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee a-
shamed?
4 For thou hast said, My doctrine *is* pure, and I
am cleane in thine eyes.
5 But, O that God would speake, and open his
lips against thee,
6 And that hee would shew thee the secrets of
wisedome; that *they are* double to that which is:
know therefore that God exacteth of thee *lesse* then
thine iniquity *deserueth*.
7 Canst thou by searching finde out God? canst
thou find out the Almighty vnto perfection?
8 *It is* † as high as heauen, what canst thou doe?
deeper then hell, what canst thou know?
9 The measure thereof *is* longer then the earth,
and broader then the Sea.
10 If hee ‖ cut of, and shut vp, or gather together,
then † who can hinder him?
11 For he knoweth vaine men: hee seeth wicked-
nesse also, will he not then consider *it*?
12 For † vaine man would bee wise; though man
be borne *like* a wild Asses colt.
13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out
thine hands toward him:
14 If iniquity bee in thine hand, put it far away,
and let not wickednesse dwell in thy tabernacles.
15 For then shalt thou lift vp thy face without
spot, yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not feare:
16 Because thou shalt forget *thy* misery, and re-
member *it* as waters that passe away:
17 And *thine* age † shall bee clearer then the
noone day: thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt bee as
the morning.
18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope;
yea, thou shalt dig *about thee*, *and* thou shalt take
thy rest in safety.
19 * Also thou shalt lie downe, and none shall
make thee afraid; yea, many shall † make suit vn-
to thee.
20 But the eyes of the wicked shall faile, and
† they shall not escape, and * their hope *shall be as*
the ‖ giuing vp of the ghost.

CHAP. XII.

Iob maintaineth himselfe against his friends that reproue him. 7 He acknowledgeth the generall doctrine of Gods omnipotency.

AND Iob answered, and said,
2 No doubt but yee *are* the people, and wise-
dome shall die with you.
3 But I haue † vnderstanding as well as you, † I
am not inferiour to you: yea, † who knoweth not
such things as these?
4 I am *as* one mocked of his neighbour, *who*
calleth vpon God, and he answereth him: the iust
vpright man is laughed to scorne.
5 He that is ready to slip with *his* feet, is as a
lampe despised in the thought of him that is at ease
6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper: and they
that prouoke God are secure, into whose hand God
bringeth *abundantly*.
7 But aske now the beasts, and they shall teach
thee; and the foules of the ayre, and they shall tell
thee,
8 Or speake to the earth, and it shall teach thee,
and the fishes of the Sea shall declare vnto thee.
9 Who knoweth not in all these, that the hand
of the LORD hath wrought this?
10 In whose hand *is* the ‖ soule of euery liuing
thing, and the breath of † all mankind.

† Hebr. a man of lips. ‖ Or, deuices.

† Heb. the heights of heauen ‖ Or, make a change. † Hebr. who can turne him away? † Heb. empty. † Heb. shall arise about the noone day * Iesuit. 26.5. † Hebr. intreate thy face. † Hebr. Right shall passe from thee. * Chap. 8.14, & 18.14. ‖ Or, a puffe of breath.

† Hebr. an heart. † Heb. I fall not lower then you. † Heb. with whom are not such as these?

‖ Or, life. † Heb. all flesh of man.

11 * Doeth not the eare try wordes? and the † mouth taste his meat?

12 With the ancient *is* wisedome, and in length of dayes, vnderstanding.

13 With ‖ him *is* wisedome and strength, he hath counsell and vnderstanding.

14 * Behold, he breaketh downe; and it cannot be built againe: hee † shutteth vp a man, and there can be no opening.

15 Behold, he withholdeth the waters, and they dry vp: also hee sendeth them out, and they ouerturne the earth.

16 With him *is* strength and wisedome: the deceiued and the deceiuer *are* his.

17 He leadeth counsellers away spoiled, and maketh the Iudges fooles.

18 He looseth the bond of Kings, and girdeth their loynes with a girdle.

19 Hee leadeth Princes away spoyled, and ouerthroweth the mighty.

20 * He remoueth away † the speech of the trusty, and taketh away the vnderstanding of the aged.

21 Hee powreth contempt vpon Princes, and ‖ weakeneth the strength of the mighty.

22 He discouereth deepe things out of darknes, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.

23 He increaseth the Nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and † straitneth them againe.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chiefe of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wildernesse *where there is* no way.

25 They grope in the darke without light, and he maketh them to † stagger like a drunken man.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Iob reproueth his friends of partiality. 14 Hee professeth his confidence in God, 20 and entreateth to know his owne sinnes, and Gods purpose in afflicting him.

LOe, mine eye hath seene all *this*, mine eare hath heard and vnderstood it.

2 What ye know, *the same* doe I know also, I am not inferiour vnto you.

3 Surely I would speake to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God.

4 But ye *are* forgers of lies, ye are all Physicians of no value.

5 O that you would altogether hold your peace, and it should be your wisedome.

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3 And doest thou open thine eies vpon such a one, and bringest me into iudgement with thee?

4 † Who * can bring a cleane thing out of an vncleane? not one.

5 * Seeing his dayes *are* determined, the number of his moneths *are* with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot passe.

6 Turne from him that he may † rest till he accomplish as an hireling his day.

7 For there is hope of a tree if it be cut downe, that it will sprout againe, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the roote thereof waxe old in the earth, and the stocke thereof die in the ground:

9 *Yet* through the sent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughes like a plant.

10 But man dieth, and † wasteth away: yea, man giueth vp the ghost, and where is he?

11 As the waters faile from the sea, and the flood decayeth and dryeth vp:

12 So man lieth downe, and riseth not, till the heauens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleepe.

13 O that thou wouldest hide mee in the graue, that thou wouldest keepe me secret vntill thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time and remember me.

14 If a man die, shall hee liue againe? All the dayes of my appointed time will I wait till my change come.

15 Thou shalt call, and I will answere thee: thou wilt haue a desire to the worke of thine hands.

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† Hebr. rest.
* Chap. 7. 1. & 14. 5. Psal. 39. 5.
† Hebr. fadeth.
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20 Thou preuailest for euer against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

21 His sonnes come to honour, and he knoweth it not: and they are brought low, but he perceiueth it not of them.

22 But his flesh vpon him shall haue paine, and his soule within him shall mourne.

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4 Yea, † thou castest off feare, and restrainest prayer before God.

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6 Thine owne mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine owne lips testifie against thee.

7 Art *thou* the first man *that* was borne? or wast thou made before the hils?

8 Hast thou heard the secret of God? and doest thou restraine wisedome to thy selfe?

9 What knowest thou that we know not? *what* vnderstandest thou, which is not in vs?

10 With vs are both the gray headed, and very aged men much elder then thy father.

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12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what doe thine eyes winke at,

13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest such words goe out of thy mouth?

14 What *is* man, that he should be cleane? and he which is borne of a woman, that he should be righteous?

15 Behold, he putteth no trust in his Saints; yea the heauens are not cleane in his sight.

16 How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water?

17 I will shew thee, heare me, and that which I haue seene, I will declare.

18 Which wise men haue told from their fathers, and haue not hid *it*:

19 Vnto whom alone the earth was giuen, and no stranger passed among them.

20 The wicked man trauaileth with paine all his dayes, and the number of yeers is hidden to the oppressour.

21 † A dreadfull sound *is* in his eares; in prosperity the destroyer shall come vpon him.

22 He beleeueth not that he shall returne out of darkenesse, and he is waited for of the sword.

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28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, *and* in houses which no man inhabiteth, which *are* ready to become heapes.

29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof vpon the earth.

30 He shall not depart out of darkenesse, the flame shall dry vp his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he goe away.

31 Let not him that is deceiued trust in vanity: for vanity shall be his recompense.

32 It shall be ‖ accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not be greene.

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17 Not for any iniquitie in mine hands: also my prayer is pure.

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20 My friends † scorne me: *but* mine eye powreth out *teares* vnto God.

11 * Doeth not the eare try wordes? and the † mouth taste his meat?
12 With the ancient *is* wisedome, and in length of dayes, vnderstanding.
13 With ‖ him *is* wisedome and strength, he hath counsell and vnderstanding.
14 * Behold, he breaketh downe, and it cannot be built againe: hee † shutteth vp a man, and there can be no opening.
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17 He leadeth counsellers away spoiled, and maketh the Iudges fooles.
18 He looseth the bond of Kings, and girdeth their loynes with a girdle.
19 Hee leadeth Princes away spoyled, and ouerthroweth the mighty.
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21 Hee powreth contempt vpon Princes, and ‖ weakeneth the strength of the mighty.
22 He discouereth deepe things out of darknes, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.
23 He increaseth the Nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and † straiteth them againe.
24 He taketh away the heart of the chiefe of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wildernesse *where there is* no way.
25 They grope in the darke without light, and he maketh them to † stagger like a drunken man.

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1 *Iob reproueth his friends of partiality.* 14 *Hee professeth his confidence in God.* 20 *and entreateth to know his owne sinnes, and Gods purpose in afflicting him.*

LOe, mine eye hath seene all *this*, mine eare hath heard and vnderstood it.
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CHAP. XVII.

Iob appealeth from men to God: The unmerciful dealing of men with the afflicted, may astonish but not discourage the righteous. 11 His hope is not in life but in death.

MY ‖ breath is corrupt, my dayes are extinct, the graues *are ready* for me.

‖ *Or, my spirit is spent.*

2 *Are there* not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye † continue in their prouocation?

† *Hebr. lodge.*

3 Lay downe now, put me in a surety with thee, who *is he that* will strike hands with me?

4 For thou hast hid their heart from vnderstanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt *them.*

5 He that speaketh flattery to *his* friends; euen the eyes of his children shall faile.

6 He hath made me also a byword of the people, and ‖ afore time I was as a tabret.

‖ *Or, before them*

7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all ‖ my members *are* as a shadow.

‖ *Or, my thoughts.*

8 Vpright men shall be astonished at this, and the innocent shall stir vp himselfe against the hypocrite.

9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath cleane hands † shall bee stronger and stronger.

† *Hebr. shall adde strength.*

10 But as for you all, doe you returne, and come now, for I cannot find one wise man among you.

11 My dayes are past, my purposes are broken off, euen † the thoughts of my heart:

† *Heb. the possessions of.*

12 They change the night into day: the light is † short, because of darkenesse.

† *Hebr. neere.*

13 If I wait, the graue *is* mine house: I haue made my bed in the darkenesse.

14 I haue † said to corruption, Thou *art* my father: to the worme, *Thou art* my mother & my sister.

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15 And where *is* now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

16 They shall goe downe to the bars of the pit, when *our* rest together is in the dust.

CHAP. XVIII.

Bildad reproueth Iob of presumption and impatiency. 5 The calamities of the wicked.

THen answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 How long *will it be ere* you make an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speake.

3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, *and* reputed vile in your sight?

† *Heb. in his soule.*

4 He teareth † himselfe in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rocke be removed out of his place?

5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall bee put out, and the sparke of his fire shall not shine.

6 The light shall be darke in his tabernacle, and his ‖ candle shall be put out with him.

‖ *Or, lamp.*

7 The steps of his strength shalbe straitned, and his owne counsell shall cast him down.

8 For he is cast into a net by his owne feet, and he walketh vpon a snare.

9 The grin shall take *him* by the heele, *and* the robber shall preuaile against him.

10 The snare *is* † laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.

† *Hebr. hidden.*

11 Terrours shall make him afraid on every side, and shall † driue him to his feet.

† *Hebr. scatter him.*

12 His strength shall be hunger-bitten, and destruction *shall be* ready at his side.

† *Hebr. bars.*

13 It shall deuoure † strength of his skin: *euen* the first borne of death shall deuoure his strength.

14 * His confidence shall be rooted out of his Tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the King of terrours.

15 It shall dwell in his Tabernacle because *it is* none of his: brimstone shall be scattered vpon his habitation.

16 His roots shall be dryed vp beneath: and aboue shall his branch be cut off.

17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall haue no name in the street.

18 † He shalbe driuen from light into darkenesse, and chased out of the world.

19 He shall neither *haue* son nor nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.

20 They that come after him shall be astonished at his day, as they that ‖ went before, † were affrighted.

‖ *Or, before.* † *Hebr. tooke hold.*

21 Surely such *are* the dwellings of the wicked, and this *is* the place *of him that* knoweth not God.

CHAP. XIX.

Iob complaining of his friends cruelty, knoweth there is misery enough in him to feed their enuy. 18 Hee craueth pity. 23 Hee beleeueth the resurrection.

THen Iob answered, and said,

2 How long will yee vexe my soule, and breake me in pieces with words?

3 These ten times haue yee reproched mee: yee are not ashamed that you make your selues strange to me.

4 And be it indeed *that* I haue erred, mine error remaineth with my selfe.

5 If indeed ye will magnifie your selues against me, and plead against me my reproch:

6 Know now that God hath ouerthrowne me, and hath compassed me with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of ‖ wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but *there is* no iudgment.

‖ *Or, violence.*

8 He hath fenced vp my way, that I cannot passe, and he hath set darkenes in my paths.

9 He hath stript me of my glory, and taken the crowne *from* mine head.

10 He hath destroyed me on euery side, and I am gone: and mine hope hath he removed like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, he counteth me vnto him as *one* of his enemies.

12 His troupes come together, and raise vp their way against me, and encampe round about my Tabernacle.

13 He hath put my brethren farre from me, and mine acquaintance are verely estranged from me.

14 My kinsefolke haue failed, and my familiar friends haue forgotten me.

15 They that dwel in mine house, and my maidens count mee for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight.

16 I called my seruant, and hee gaue me no answere: I entreated him with my mouth.

17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I entreated for the children's *sake* of † mine owne body.

18 Yea, ‖ young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.

‖ *Or, fooles.*

19 * All † my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loued, are turned against me.

† *Hebr. men of my counsell.*

20 My bone cleaueth to my skin ‖ and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.

‖ *Or, in.*

21 Haue pity vpon me, haue pity vpon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me.

22 Why doe ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

23 † Oh that my words were now written, Oh that they were printed in a booke!

24 That

Eccles. 42. 7.

That they were ganen with an yron pen, and
in the rock for ever.
For I know that my Redeemer liueth, and that
ll stand at the latter day vpon the earth:
And though after my skin, wormes destroy
body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:
Whom I shall see for my selfe, and mine eyes
behold, and not † another, though my reines be
med † within me.
But ye should say, Why persecute wee him?
ing the root of the matter is found in me.
Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath bringeth
nishments of the sword, that yee may know
is a iudgement.

and what root of matter is founde in me?

CHAP. XX.

Zophar sheweth the state & portion of the wicked.

Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and
said;
Therefore doe my thoughts cause mee to an-
, and for this † I make haste.
I haue heard the checke of my reproach, and the
e of my vnderstanding causeth me to answere.
Knowest thou not this of old, since man was
d vpon earth,
That the triumphing of the wicked is short,
the ioy of the hypocrite but for a moment?
Though his excellency mount vp to the hea-
and his head reach vnto the † clouds:
Yet he shal perish for euer, like his own dung,
which haue seene him shall say, Where is he?
He shall flee away as a dreame, and shall not
nd: yea, he shall be chased away, as a vision
night.
The eye also which saw him, shall see him no
neither shall his place any more behold him.
His children shall seek to please the poore
hands shall restore their goods.
His bones are full of the sinne of his youth,
shall lie downe with him in the dust.
Though wickednesse bee sweet in his mouth,
he hide it vnder his tongue:
Though he spare it, and forsake it not, but
it still † within his mouth:
Yet his meat in his bowels is turned, it is
ll of Aspes within him.
He hath swallowed downe riches, and he shall
them vp againe: God shall cast them out
his belly.
He shall suck the poyson of aspes: the viperes
e shall slay him.
He shall not see the riuers, the floods, the
ers of honey and butter.
That which he laboured for, shall hee restore,
all not swallow it downe: † according to his
ance shall the restitution be, and he shall not
e therein.
Because he hath † oppressed, and hath forsa-
e poore; because he hath violently taken away
use which he builded not.
Surely he shall not † feele quietnesse in his
e, he shall not saue of that which he desired.
There shall none of his meat be left, therefore
no man looke for his goods.
In the fulnesse of his sufficiency, he shall be in
straite: every hand of the wicked shall come
him.
When he is about to fill his belly, God shall
d the fury of his wrath vpon him, and shall raine
pon him, while he is eating.
He shall flee from the yron weapon, and the
bow of steele shall strike him thorow.
It is drawne and commeth out of the body:
yea, the glistering sword commeth out of his gall:
terrours are vpon him.
All darknesse shall be hid in his secret places:
a fire not blowne shall consume him; it shall goe
ill with him that is left in his Tabernacle.
The heauen shall reueale his iniquity: and
the earth shall rise vp against him.
The increase of his house shall depart, and his
goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath.
This is the portion of a wicked man from
God, and the heritage † appointed vnto him by
God.

† Hebr. of his decree from God.

CHAP. XXI.

Iob sheweth that euen in the iudgement of man, he hath reason to be grieued. 7 Sometimes the wicked doe so prosper, as they despise God: 16 Sometime their destruction is manifest. 22 The happy and vnhappy are alike in death. 27 The iudgement of the wicked is in another world.

BVt Iob answered, and said,
Heare diligently my speech, and let this
be your consolations.
Suffer me that I may speake, and after that I
haue spoken, mocke on.
As for me, is my complaint to man? and if it
were so, why should not my spirit be † troubled?
† Mark me, and be astonished, and lay your hand
vpon your mouth.
Euen when I remember, I am afraid, and trem-
bling taketh hold on my flesh.
Wherefore doe the wicked liue, become old,
yea, are mighty in power?
Their seed is established in their sight with
them, and their off-spring before their eyes.
Their houses are † safe from feare, neither is
the rod of God vpon them.
Their bull gendreth, and faileth not, their
cow calueth and casteth not her calfe.
They send forth their little ones like a flock,
and their children dance.
They take the timbrell and harpe, and reioyce
at the sound of the organe.
They spend their dayes in wealth, and in a
moment goe downe to the grane.
Therefore they say vnto God, Depart from
vs: for we desire not the knowledge of thy wayes.
What is the Almighty, that wee should serue
him? and what profit should wee haue, if we pray
vnto him?
Loe, their good is not in their hand, the coun-
sell of the wicked is far from me.
How oft is the † candle of the wicked put out?
and how oft commeth their destruction vpon them?
God distributeth sorrowes in his anger.
They are as stubble before the wind, and as
chaffe that the storme † carrieth away.
God layeth vp his iniquity for his children:
he rewardeth him, and he shall know it.
His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall
drinke of the wrath of the Almighty.
For what pleasure hath he in his house after
him, when the number of his moneths is cut off in
the middest?
Shall any teach God knowledge, seeing hee
iudgeth those that are high?
One dieth † in his full strength, being wholly
at ease and quiet.
His breasts are full of milke, and his bones
are moistened with marrow.

† Hebr. shunned.
† Hebr. looke vnto me.
* Psal. 73. 10, & 73. 12. Ier. 12. 1. hab. 1. 16.
† Heb. are peace from feare.
‖ Or, in mirth.
* Chap. 22. 17.
† Ori tanqe.
† Hebr. stealeth away.
‖ That is, the punishments of his iniquitie.
† Hebr. in his very perfection, or in the strength of his perfection.
‖ Or, milk-pailes.

23 And

25 And another dieth in the bitternesse of his soule, and neuer eateth with pleasure.
26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the wormes shall couer them. Eccl. 9. 2.
† Heb. the tents of the tabernacles of the wicked.
27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the deuices which ye wrongfully imagine against me.
28 For ye say, Where is the house of the Prince? and where are † the dwelling places of the wicked?
29 Haue ye not asked them that goe by the way? and doe yee not know their tokens?
* Prou. 16. 4.
30 * That the wicked is reserued to the day of destruction; they shall be brought forth to the † day of wrath.
† Hebr. the day of wraths.
31 Who shall declare his way to his face? and who shall repay him what he hath done?
32 Yet shall hee bee brought to the † graue, and shall † remaine in the tombe.
† Hebr. graues. † Hebr. watch in the heape.
33 The clods of the valley shalbe sweet vnto him, and euery man shall draw after him, as there are innumerable before him.
34 How then comfort yee me in vaine, seeing in your answeres there remaineth † falshood?
† Hebr. transgression.

CHAP. XXI.

1 *Eliphaz sheweth that mans goodnesse profiteth not God.* 5 *He accuseth Iob of diuers sinnes:* 21 *He exhorteth him to repentance, with promises of mercy.*

THen Eliphaz the Temanite answered & said,
2 Can a man be profitable to God? as † hee that is wise may be profitable to himselfe?
† Or, if he may be profitable doeth his good successe depend therein?
3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? or is it gaine to him that thou makest thy wayes perfect?
4 Will he reproue thee for feare of thee? will he enter with thee into iudgement?
5 Is not thy wickednesse great, and thine iniquities infinite?
† Hebr. stripped the clothes of the naked?
6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, & † stripped ye naked of their clothing.
† Hebr. the man of arme.
7 Thou hast not giuen water to the weary to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.
† Hebr. eminent or accepted for countenance.
8 But as for the † mighty man, he had the earth and † the honourable man dwelt in it.
† Hebr. the head of the starres.
9 Thou hast sent widowes away empty, and the armes of the fatherlesse haue been broken.
10 Therefore † snares are round about thee, and sudden feare troubleth thee,
† Or, what † Hebr. a flood was powred vpon their foundation
11 Or darkenesse, that thou canst not see, and abundance of waters couer thee.
12 Is not God in the height of heauen? and behold, the † height of the starres how high they are.
13 And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he iudge through the darke cloud?
14 Thick clouds are a couering to him, that hee seeth not, and he walketh in the circuit of heauen.
15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men haue troden?
16 Which were cut downe out of time, † whose foundation was ouerflowen with a flood.
* Chap. 21. 14.
17 * Which said vnto God, Depart from vs, and what can the Almighty doe † for them?
† Or, to them.
18 * Yet he filled their houses with good things: but the counsell of the wicked is farre from me.
* Chap. 21. 16. * Psal. 107. 42.
19 * The righteous see it and are glad, and the innocent laugh them to scorne.
20 Whereas our substance is not cut down, but the † remnant of them the fire consumeth.
† Or, estate
21 Acquaint now thy selfe with † him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come vnto thee.
† Or, their excellency
22 Receiue, I pray thee, the Law from his mouth, and lay vp his words in thine heart.
† That is with God.
23 † If thou returne to the Almighty, thou shalt be built vp, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy Tabernacles.
24 Then shalt thou lay vp gold † as dust, and the gold of Ophir, as the stones of the brooks,
25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy † defence, and thou shalt haue † plenty of siluer.
26 For then shalt thou haue thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift vp thy face vnto God.
27 Thou shalt make thy prayer vnto him, and he shall heare thee, and thou shalt pay thy vowes.
28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established vnto thee: and the light shall shine on thy wayes.
29 When men are cast downe, then thou shalt say, There is lifting vp: and he shall saue the † humble person.
30 † He shall deliuer the Iland of the innocent, and it is deliuered by the pureness of thine hands.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *Iob longeth to appeare before God:* 6 *he wanteth not confidence of his mercy.* 8 *God who is iust, suffereth vs with our wayes.* 11 *Iobs innocency.* 15 *God is to be feared, he is immutable.*

THen Iob answered, and said,
2 Euen to day is my complaint bitter: my † stroke is heauier then my groaning.
3 O that I knew where I might find him! that I might come euen to his seat!
4 I would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth with argumentes
5 I would know the words which he would answere me, and vnderstand what he would say vnto me.
6 Will hee pleade against mee with his great power? no but he would put strength in me.
7 There the righteous might dispute with him, so should I be deliuered for euer from my Iudge.
8 Behold, I go forward, but he is not there, and backward, but I cannot perceiue him:
9 On the left hand where he doeth worke, but I cannot behold him: he hideth himselfe on the right hand, that I cannot see him.
10 But he knoweth † the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come foorth as gold.
11 My foot hath held his steps, his way haue I kept, and not declined.
12 Neither haue I gone backe from the commandement of his lips, † I haue esteemed the words of his mouth more then † my necessary food.
13 But he is in one mind, & who can turne him? and what † his soule desireth, euen that he doeth.
14 For hee performeth the thing that is appointed for me: and many such things are with him.
15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider I am afraid of him.
16 For God maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:
17 Because I was not cut off before the darkenesse, neither hath he couered the darkenes from my face.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 *Wickednesse goeth often vnpunished.* 17 *It is a secret iudgement for the wicked.*

WHy, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, doe they that know him, not see his dayes?
2 Some remoue the † land marke: they violently take away flockes, and † feed thereof.
3 They driue away the asse of the fatherlesse, they take the widowes oxe for a pledge.
4 They turne the needy out of the way: the poore of the earth hide themselues together.

Behold, as wild asses in the desart go they forth to their work, rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness yeeldeth food for them and for their children.
They reape every one his † corne in the field: and they gather the vintage of the wicked.
They cause the naked to lodge without cloathing that they have no couering in the cold.
They are wet with the showres of the mountaines, and embrace the rocke for want of a shelter.
They plucke the fatherlesse from the breast, and take a pledge of the poore.
They cause him to go naked without clothing: and they take away the sheafe from the hungry.
Which make oile within their walls, and tread their wine presses, and suffer thirst.
Men groane from out of the City, and the soule of the wounded crieth out: yet God layeth not folly to them.
They are of those that rebell against the light, they know not the wayes thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.
The murderer rising with the light, killeth the poore and needy, and in the night is as a thiefe.
The eye also of the adulterer watcheth for the twilight, saying, No eie shall see me: and † disguiseth his face.
In the darke they dig thorow houses, which they had marked for themselues in the day time: they know not the light.
For the morning is to them euen as the shadow of death: if one know them, they are in the terrours of the shadow of death.
He is swift as the waters, their portion is cursed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.
Drought and heat † consume the snow waters: so doth the graue those which haue sinned.
The wombe shall forget him, the worme shall feed sweetly on him, he shall be no more remembred, and wickednesse shall be broken as a tree.
He euil intreateth the barren that beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.
He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth vp, and no man is sure of life.
Though it be giuen him to be in safety, whereon he resteth; yet his eies are vpon their wayes.
They are exalted for a little while, but † are gone & brought low, they are taken out of the way as all other, & cut off as ‡ tops of the eares of corne.
And if it be not so now: who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?

CHAP. XXV.

Bildad sheweth that man cannot bee iustified before God.

Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
Dominion and feare are with him, hee maketh peace in his high places.
Is there any number of his armies? and vpon whom doeth not his light arise?
How then can man be iustified with God? or how can he be cleane that is borne of a woman?
Behold, euen to the Moone, and it shineth not: yea the starres are not pure in his sight.
How much lesse man that is a worme: and the sonne of man which is a * worme?

CHAP. XXVI.

Iob reproueth the vncharitable spirit of Bildad, shewing both the power of God to bee infinite and vnsearchable.

Vt Iob answered, and said,
How hast thou helped him that is without power? how sauest thou the arme that hath no strength?
How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisedome? and how hast thou plentifully declared the thing, as it is?
To whom hast thou vttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?
Dead things are formed from vnder the waters, ‖ and the inhabitants thereof.
Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no couering.
Hee stretcheth out the North ouer the empty place, and hangeth the earth vpon nothing.
He bindeth vp the waters in his thicke clouds, and the cloud is not rent vnder them.
He holdeth backe the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud vpon it.
He hath compassed the waters with bounds, † vntill the day and night come to an end.
The pillars of heauen tremble, and are astonished at his reproofe.
He diuideth the sea with his power, and by his vnderstanding he smiteth through the † proud.
By his spirit he hath garnished the heauens: his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.
Loe these are parts of his waies, but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can vnderstand?

CHAP. XXVII.

Iob protesteth his sincerity & The hypocrite is without hope. & The blessings which the wicked haue, are turned into curses.

MOreouer, Iob continued his parable, & said,
As God liueth who hath taken away my iudgement, and the Almighty who hath † vexed my soule:
All the while my breath ‡ is in me, and * the Spirit of God is in my nostrils:
My lips shall not speake wickednesse, nor my tongue vtter deceit.
God forbid that I should iustifie you: till I die, I will not remoue my integrity from me.
My righteousnesse I hold fast, and will not let it goe: my heart shall not reproach mee † so long as I liue.
Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth vp against me, as the vnrighteous.
For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though * he hath gained, when God taketh away his soule?
Will God heare his cry, when trouble commeth vpon him?
Will he delight himselfe in the Almighty? will he alwaies call vpon God?
I will teach you ‖ by the hand of God: that which is with the Almighty, will I not conceale.
Behold all ye your selues haue seene it, why then are ye thus altogether vaine?
This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressours, which they shall receiue of the Almighty.
If his children be multiplied it is for ‡ sword: and his off-spring shall not be satisfied with bread.
Those that remaine of him shall be buried in death: and his widowes shall not weepe.
Though hee heape vp siluer as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay:
He may prepare it, but the iust shall put it on, and the innocent shall diuide the siluer.
He buildeth his house as the moth, and as a booth that the keeper maketh.
The rich man shall lie downe, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eies and he is not:
Terrours take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night,

The

*Or, with the inhabitants.
* Prou. 15.11.
† Hebr. vntill the end of light with darknes.
† Hebr. pride.
† Hebr. added to take vp.
† Hebr. made my soule bitter.
‡ That is, ‖ breath which God gaue him.
† Hebr. from my dayes.
* Matth. 16.26. * Prou. 11. 28. ezek. 18. ioh 9. 31. iam. 4. 3.
‖ Or, being in the hand, &c.
* Psal. 78 65.
* Chap. 18.11.

21 The East wind carrieth him away, and he departeth, and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.
22 For *God* shall cast vpon him, and not spare: † he would faine flee out of his hand.
23 Men shall clap their hands at him, and shall hisse him out of his place.

† *Hebr. by fleeing he would flee.*

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 *There is a knowledge of naturall things,* 12 *But wisedome is an excellent gift of God.*

‖ *Or, a Mine.*
‖ *Or, dust.*

SVrely there is ‖ a veine for the siluer, and a place for gold *where* they fine *it*.
2 Yron is taken out of the ‖ earth, and brasse is moulten *out* of the stone.
3 He setteth an end to darknesse, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkenesse, and the shadow of death.
4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; euen the *waters* forgotten of the foot: they are dried vp, they are gone away from men.
5 As for the earth out of it commeth bread: and vnder it is turned vp as it were fire.
6 The stones of it *are* the place of Saphires: and it hath ‖ dust of gold.

‖ *Or, gold oure.*

7 *There is* a path which no foule knoweth, and which the vultures eye hath not seene.
8 The lyons whelps haue not trodden it, nor the fierce lyon passed by it.

‖ *Or, flint*

9 He putteth forth his hand vpon the ‖ rocke: he ouerturneth the mountaines by the rootes.
10 He cutteth out riuers among the rocks, and his eie seeth euery precious thing.

† *Hebr. from weeping.*

11 He bindeth the floods † from ouerflowing, and the thing that *is* hid bringeth he forth to light.
12 But where shall wisedome be found? and where *is* the place of vnderstanding?
13 Man knoweth not the price thereof, neither is it found in the land of the liuing.

* Rom. 11. 33, 34.

14 *The depth saith, it is not in me: and the sea saith, it is not with me.

† *Hebr. fine gold shall not be giuen for it.*

15 † It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall siluer be weighed *for* the price thereof.
16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious Onix or the Sapphire.
17 The gold and the christall cannot equall it: and the exchange of it *shall not be for* ‖ iewels of fine gold.

* Prou. 3. 14 & 8. 11 & 19. & 16.

18 No mention shall be made of ‖ Corall, or of Pearles: for the price of wisedome *is* aboue rubies.
19 The Topaz of Ethiopia shall not equall it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

‖ *Or, vessell of fine gold.*

20 *Whence then commeth wisedome? and where *is* the place of vnderstanding?

‖ *Or, Ramoth.*

* Vers. 12

21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all liuing, and kept close from the foules of the ‖ aire.

‖ *Or, heauen.*

22 Destruction and death say, We haue heard the fame thereof with our eares.
23 God vnderstandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.
24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, *and* seeth vnder the whole heauen.
25 To make the weight for the winds, and hee weigheth the waters by measure.
26 When he made a decree for the raine, and a way for the lightening of the thunder:
27 Then did he see it, and declare it, he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

‖ *Or, did make it.*

* Psa. 111. 10. prou. 1. 7. & 9. 10

28 *And vnto man he said, Behold the feare of the Lord, that is wisedome, and to depart from euill is vnderstanding.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 *Iob lamenteth himselfe of his former prosperity and honour.*

MOreouer, Iob † continued his parable, & 2 O that I were as *in* moneths past, as the dayes when God preserued me:
3 When his ‖ candle shined vpon my head, *and* when by his light I walked *through* darkenesse;
4 As I was in the dayes of my youth, when the secret of God was vpon my tabernacle:
5 When the Almighty was yet with me, when my children were about me:
6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rocke powred † me out riuers of oile:
7 When I went out to the gate through the city, *when* I prepared my seat in the street.
8 The young men saw me, and hid themselues: and the aged arose, *and* stood vp.
9 The Princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.
10 † The Nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaued to the roofe of their mouth.
11 When the eare heard *me*, then it blessed me: and when the eie saw me, it gaue witnesse to me:
12 Because I deliuered the poore that cryed, the fatherles, and *him* that had none to helpe him.
13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came vpon me: and I caused the widowes heart to sing for ioy.
14 I put on righteousnesse, and it clothed me: my iudgement was as a robe and a diademe.
15 I was eies to the blinde, and feet was I to the lame.
16 I *was* a father to the poore: and the cause which I knew not, I searched out.
17 And I brake the † iawes of the wicked, and † plucked the spoile out of his teeth.
18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply *my* dayes as the sand.
19 My root *was* † spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night vpon my branch.
20 My glory *was* † fresh in me, and my bow † renewed in my hand.
21 Vnto me *men* gaue eare and waited, and kept silence at my counsell.
22 After my words they spake not again, and my speech dropped vpon them.
23 And they waited for me as for the raine, and they opened their mouth wide, as for the latter raine.
24 *If* I laughed on them they beleeued it not, and the light of my countenance they cast not downe.
25 I chose out their way, and sate chiefe, and dwelt as a King in the army, as one that comforteth the mourners.

† *Hebr. I continued my parable.*

CHAP. XXX.

1 *Iobs honour is turned into extreame contempt.* 15 *His prosperity into calamity.*

BVt now they † that are younger then I, haue me in derision, whose fathers I would haue disdained to haue set with the dogs of my flocke.
2 Yea, whereto might the strength of their hands *profit* me, in whom old age was perished?
3 For want and famine they were ‖ solitary, fleeing into the wildernesse † in former time desolate and waste:
4 Who cut vp mallowes by the bushes, and iuniper roots *for* their meat.
5 They were driuen forth from among men, they cryed after them as *after* a theefe.
6 To dwell in the clifts of the valleys, in holes of the earth and in the rockes.
7 Among the bushes they brayed: vnder the nettles they were gathered together.
8 They *were* children of fooles, yea, children of † base men; they were viler than the earth.

† *Hebr. base men;*

‖ *Or, desolate*

*And now am I their song, yea, I am their by-
3 They abhorre me, they flee far from me, † and
e not to spit in my face.
Because he hath loosed my coard, and afflicted
they haue also let loose the bridle before me.
Vpon my right hand rise the youth, they push
y my feet, and they raise vp against me the
ays of their destruction.
They marre my path, they set forward my ca-
ty, they haue no helper.
They came vpon me as a wide breaking in of
ers: in the desolation they rolled themselues
n me.
Terrours are turned vpon mee: they pursue
y soule as the winde: and my welfare passeth
y as a cloud.
And now my soule is powred out vpon me:
dayes of affliction haue taken hold vpon me.
My bones are pierced in me in the night sea-
and my sinewes take no rest.
By the great force of my disease, is my gar-
changed: it bindeth me about as the collar
my coat.
He hath cast me into the mire, and I am be-
like dust and ashes.
I cry vnto thee, and thou doest not heare me:
d vp and thou regardest me not.
Thou art † become cruell to mee: with † thy
ong hand thou opposest thy selfe against me.
Thou liftest me vp to the wind: thou causest
e ride vpon it, and dissolvest my substance.
For I know that thou wilt bring me to death,
to the house appointed for all liuing.
Howbeit he will not stretch out his hand to
† grave, though they cry in his destruction.
*Did not I weepe † for him that was in trou-
was not my soule grieued for the poore?
When I looked for good then euill came vn
e: and when I waited for light, there came
rkenesse.
My bowels boyled and rested not: the dayes
flction preuented me.
I went mourning without the Sunne: I stood
d I cryed in the Congregation.
*I am a brother to dragons, and a companion
owles.
My skin is blacke vpon me, and my bones are
t with heat.
My harpe also is turned to mourning, and my
an into the voyce of them that weepe.

CHAP. XXXI

*Iob maketh a solemne protestation of his integrity
in all duties.

Made a couenant with mine eyes; why then
ould I thinke vpon a maid?
For what portion of God is there from aboue?
what inheritance of the Almighty from on high?
Is not destruction to the wicked? and a strange
shment to the workers of iniquity?
Doeth not he see my wayes, and count all my
ps?
If I haue walked with vanity, or if my foot
sted to deceit;
† Let me be weighed in an euen ballance, that
may know mine integrity.
If my step hath turned out of the way, and mine
rt walked after mine eyes, and if any blot hath
ed to my hands:
Then let me sowe, and let another eate; yea, let
offspring be rooted out.
If my heart hath beene deceiued by a woman,
or if I haue laid wait at my neighbours doore:
10 Then let my wife grinde vnto another, and
let others bow downe vpon her.
11 For this is an heinous crime; yea, it is an iniquity to be punished by the iudges.
12 For it is a fire that consumeth to destruction,
and would root out all mine increase.
13 If I did despise the cause of my man-seruant,
or of my maid-seruant, when they contended with
mee:
14 What then shall I doe when God riseth vp?
and when he visiteth, what shall I answere him?
15 Did not he that made me in the wombe, make
him? and ‖ did not one fashion vs in the wombe?
16 If I haue withholde the poore from their desire,
or haue caused the eyes of the widow to faile:
17 Or haue eaten my morsell my selfe alone, and
the fatherlesse hath not eaten thereof:
18 (For from my youth he was brought vp with
me as with a father, and I haue guided ‖ her from
my mother's wombe.)
19 If I haue seene any perish for want of clothing, or any poore without couering:
20 If his loynes haue not blessed me, and if hee
were not warmed with the fleece of my sheepe:
21 If I haue lift vp my hand against the fatherlesse, when I saw my helpe in the gate:
22 Then let mine arme fall from my shoulder-
blade, and mine arme be broken from the ‖ bone.
23 For destruction from God was a terror to me:
and by reason of his highnesse I could not endure.
24 If I haue made gold my hope, or haue said to
the fine gold, Thou art my confidence:
25 If I reioyced because my wealth was great,
and because mine hand had † gotten much:
26 If I beheld † the Sunne when it shined, or the
Moone walking † in brightnesse:
27 And mine heart hath beene secretly inticed,
or † my mouth hath kissed my hand:
28 This also were an iniquity to be punished by
the iudge: for I should haue denied the God that
is aboue.
29 If I reioyced at the destruction of him that ha-
ted me, or lift vp my selfe when euill found him:
30 (Neither haue I suffered † my mouth to sin, by
wishing a curse to his soule.)
31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that
we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied.
32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: but
I opened my doores ‖ to the traueller.
33 If I couered my transgressions ‖ as Adam: by
hiding my iniquity in my bosome:
34 Did I feare a great multitude, or did the con-
tempt of families terrifie me? that I kept silence,
and went not out of the doore?
35 O that one would heare me! ‖ behold my de-
sire is, that the Almighty would answere me, and
that mine aduersary had written a booke.
36 Surely I would take it vpon my shoulder, and
binde it as a crowne to me.
37 I would declare vnto him the number of my
steps, as a Prince would I goe neere vnto him.
38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrowes
likewise thereof † complaine:
39 If I haue † eaten the fruits thereof without
money, or haue † caused the owners thereof to lose
their life:
40 Let thistles grow in stead of wheat, and I coc-
kle in stead of barley. The words of Iob are ended.

CHAP. XXXII.

*Elihu is angry with Iob and his three friends.
6 Because wisedome commeth not from age, he ex-
cuseth

Or, did he not fashion vs in one wombe.
‖ That is, the widow.
‖ Or, the chamber.
† Heb. found much.
† Heb. the light.
† Heb. bright.
† Heb. my hand hath kissed my mouth.
† Heb. my palate.
‖ Or, in the way.
‖ Or, after the manner of men.
‖ Or. Let hold, my signe is that the Almighty will answere me.
† Heb. weepe.
† Heb. the strength thereof.
† Heb. caused the soule of the owners thereof to expire, or breathe out.
‖ Or, vayne weedes.

cuseth the boldnesse of his youth. 11 *He reproueth them for not satisfying of Iob.* 16 *His zeale to speake.*

SO these three men ceased † to answere Iob, because he *was* righteous in his owne eyes.

2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of Ram: against Iob was his wrath kindled, because he iustified † himselfe rather then God.

3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled: because they had found no answere, and *yet* had condemned Iob.

4 Now Elihu had † waited till Iob had spoken: because they *were* † elder then he.

5 When Elihu saw that *there was* no answere in the mouth of these three men, then his wrath was kindled.

6 And Elihu the sonne of Barachel the Buzite answered, and said, I *am* † young, and yee *are* very old, wherefore I was afraid, and † durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, Dayes should speake, and multitude of yeeres should teach wisedome.

8 * But there is a spirit in man: & the inspiration of the Almighty giueth them vnderstanding.

9 Great men are not *alwayes* wise: neither doe the aged vnderstand iudgement.

10 Therefore I said, Hearken to me: I also will shew mine opinion.

11 Behold, I waited for your words: I gaue eare to your † reasons, whileſt you searched out † what to say.

12 Yea I attended vnto you: and behold, *there was* none of you that conuinced Iob, or that answered his words:

13 Lest yee should say, Wee haue found out wisedome: God thrusteth him downe, not man:

14 Now he hath not ‖ directed his words against me: neither will I answere him with your speeches.

15 They were amazed, they answered no more, † they left off speaking.

16 When I had waited (for they spake not, but stood still *and* answered no more.)

17 *I said*, I will answere also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.

18 For I am full of † matter, the † spirit within me constraineth me.

19 Behold, my belly *is* as wine, *which* † hath no vent, it is ready to burst like new bottels.

20 I will speake, † that I may bee refreshed: I will open my lips, and answere.

21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any mans person: neither let me giue flattering titles vnto man.

22 For I know not to giue flattering titles: *in so doing*, my Maker would soone take me away.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 *Elihu offereth himselfe in stead of God, with sincerity and meekenes to reason with Iob.* 8 *He excuseth God, from giuing man an account of his waies by his greatnes.* 14 *God calleth man to repentance by visions,* 19 *by afflictions,* 23 *and by his ministery.* 31 *He intreateth Iob to attention.*

WHerefore Iob, I pray thee, heare my speeches, and hearken to all my words.

2 Behold, now I haue opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken † in my mouth.

3 My words *shall be of* the vprightnesse of my heart, and my lips shall vtter knowledge clearely.

4 The Spirit of God hath made mee, and the breath of the Almighty hath giuen me life.

5 If thou canst answere me, set *thy words in* order before me, stand vp.

6 *Behold, I am † according to thy wish in God's stead: I also am † formed out of the clay.

7 Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heauy vpon thee.

8 Surely thou hast spoken † in my hearing, and I haue heard the voyce of *thy* words, saying,

9 I *am* cleane without transgression, I *am* innocent, neither *is there* iniquity in me.

10 Behold, hee findeth occasions against me, he counteth me for his enemy.

11 He putteth my feet in the stocker, he marketh all my paths.

12 Behold, in this thou art not iust, I will answere thee, that God is greater then man.

13 Why doest thou striue against him? for he giueth not account of any of his matters.

14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, *yet man* perceiueth it not.

15 In a dreame, in a vision of the night, when deepe sleepe falleth vpon men, in slumberings vpon the bed:

16 Then he † openeth the eares of men, and sealeth their instruction,

17 That he may withdraw man *from his* purpose, and hide pride from man.

18 He keepeth backe his soule from the pit, and his life † from perishing by the sword.

19 He is chastened also with paine vpon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong paine:

20 * So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soule † dainty meat,

21 His flesh is consumed away that it cannot be seene: and his bones that were not seene, stick out.

22 His soule draweth neere vnto the graue, and his life to the destroyers.

23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew vnto man his vprightnesse:

24 Then he is gracious vnto him, and saith, Deliuer him from going downe to the pit, I haue found a ransome.

25 His flesh shall be fresher † then a childes: he shall returne to the dayes of his youth.

26 He shall pray vnto God, and he will be fauorable vnto him, and he shall see his face with ioy: for he will render vnto man his righteousnesse.

27 ‖ He looketh vpon men, *and if any say*, I haue sinned, and peruerted that which was right, and it profited me not:

28 ‖ He will deliuer his soule from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.

29 Loe, all these things worketh God often times with man,

30 To bring backe his soule from the pit, that he may be enlightened with the light of the liuing.

31 Marke well, O Iob, hearken vnto me, hold thy peace, and I will speake.

32 If thou hast any thing to say, answere me: speake, for I desire to iustifie thee.

33 If not, hearken vnto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisedome.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

1 *Elihu accuseth Iob for charging God with iniustice.* 10 *God omnipotent cannot let oniquity.* *Man must humble himselfe vnto God.* 34 *Elihu reproueth Iob.*

FVrthermore Elihu answered, and said,

2 Heare my words, O ye wise men, and giue eare vnto me, ye that haue knowledge.

3 * For the eare tryeth words, as the † mouth tasteth meate.

4 Let vs chuse to vs iudgement: let vs know among our selues what *is* good.

† Hebr. *from answering.*
† Hebr. *his soule.*
† Hebr. *expelled Iob in words.*
† Hebr. *elder for dayes.*
† Hebr. *few of dayes.*
† Hebr. *I feared.*
* Chap. 38 36. prou. 2 6. eccles. 2. 26. dan. 1. 17. and 2. 21.
† Hebr. *vnderstandings*
† Hebr. *words.*
‖ *Or, ordered his words.*
† Hebr. *they ceased from themselues.*
† Hebr. *words.*
† Heb. *the spirit of my belly.*
† Hebr. *is not opened.*
† Hebr. *that I may breathe.*
† Hebr. *in my palate.*

For Iob hath said, I am righteous: and God taken away my iudgement.
Should I lie against my right? † my wound cureable without transgression.
What man is like Iob, who drinketh vp scorning like water?
Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and walketh with wicked men.
For hee hath said, It profiteth a man nothing that he should delight himselfe with God.
Therefore hearken vnto me, yee † men of vnderstanding: * far be it from God that hee should doe wickednesse, and from the Almighty, that hee should commit iniquity.
* For the worke of a man shall he render vnto him, and cause every man to finde according to his wayes.
Yea surely God will not do wickedly, neither doth the Almighty pervert iudgement.
Who hath given him a charge over the earth? or who hath disposed † the whole world?
* If he set his heart † vpon man, if he gather vnto himselfe his spirit and his breath;
* All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turne againe vnto dust.
If now thou hast vnderstanding, heare this: hearken to the voice of my words.
Shall even hee that hateth right, † governe? and wilt thou condemne him that is most iust?
Is it fit to say to a King, Thou art wicked? and to Princes, Ye are vngodly?
How much lesse to him that accepteth not the persons of Princes, nor regardeth † rich more then poore? for they all are the worke of his hands.
In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and passe away, and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.
* For his eyes are vpon the wayes of man, and he seeth all his goings.
There is no darkenesse nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselues.
For he will not lay vpon man more then right, that he should † enter into iudgement with God.
He shall breake in pieces mighty men † without number, and set others in their stead.
Therefore he knoweth their workes, and he ouerthroweth them in the night, so that they are † destroyed.
He striketh them as wicked men † in the open sight of others:
Because they turned backe † from him, and would not consider any of his wayes.
So that they cause the cry of the poore to come before him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.
When he giueth quietnes, who then can make trouble? and when he hideth his face, who then can behold him? whether it be done against a nation, or against a man onely:
That the hypocrite reigne not, lest the people be snared.
Surely it is meet to be said vnto God, I haue borne chastisement, I will not offend any more.
That which I see not, teach thou me; if I haue done iniquity, I will doe no more.
Should it be according to thy mind? he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou chuse, and not I: therefore speake what thou knowest.
Let men of vnderstanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken vnto me.
Surely Iob hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were without wisedome.
My desire is, that Iob may be tried vnto the end, because of his answeres for wicked men.
For he addeth rebellion vnto his sin, he clappeth his hands amongst vs, and multiplieth his words against God.

CHAP. XXXV.

1 Comparison is not to be made with God, because our good or euill cannot extend vnto him. 9 Many cry in their afflictions, but are not heard for want of faith.

Elihu spake moreouer, and said,
2 Thinkest thou this to bee right, that thou saidest, My righteousnesse is more then Gods?
3 For thou saidest, What aduantage will it be vnto thee, and, What profit shall I haue, † if I bee cleansed from my sinne?
4 ‖ I will answere thee, & thy companions with thee.
5 Looke vnto the heauens, and see, and behold, the clouds which are higher then thou.
6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him? or if thy transgressions bee multiplied, what doest thou vnto him?
7 * If thou be righteous, what giuest thou him? or what receiueth he of thine hand?
8 Thy wickednesse may hurt a man as thou art, and thy righteousnesse may profit the son of man.
9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions, they make the oppressed to cry: they cry out by reason of the arme of the mighty.
10 But none saith, Where is God my Maker, who giueth songs in the night?
11 Who teacheth vs more then the beasts of the earth, & maketh vs wiser then the foules of heauen.
12 There they cry, (but none giueth answere) because of the pride of euill men.
13 * Surely God will not heare vanity, neither will the Almighty regard it.
14 Although thou saiest, ‖ thou shalt not see him, yet iudgement is before him, therefore trust thou in him.
15 But now because it is not so, he hath visited in his anger, yea he knoweth it not in great extremity:
16 Therefore doth Iob open his mouth in vaine; he multiplieth words without knowledge.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 Elihu sheweth how God is iust in his wayes. 16 How Iobs sinnes hinder Gods blessings. 24 Gods workes are to be magnified.

Elihu also proceeded, and said,
2 Suffer mee a little, and I will shew thee † that I haue yet to speake on Gods behalfe.
3 I will fetch my knowledge from afarre, and will ascribe righteousnesse vnto my Maker.
4 For truly my words shall not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge, is with thee.
5 Behold, God is mighty, and despiseth not any: he is mighty in strength and † wisedome.
6 He preserueth not the life of the wicked: but giueth right to the ‖ poore.
7 * He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with Kings are they on the throne, yea, he doth establish them for euer, & they are exalted.
8 And if they be bound in fetters, and be holden in cords of affliction.
9 Then hee sheweth them their worke, and their transgressions, that they haue exceeded.
10 He openeth also their eare to discipline, and commandeth that they returne from iniquity.
11 If they obey and serue him, * they shall spend their daies in prosperity, & their yeres in pleasures.
12 But if they obey not, † they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.
13 But the hypocrites in heart heape vp wrath: they cry not when he bindeth them.
14 † They

Iob 9. 15. 34.

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1 Or, by it more then by my sin.
† Heb. I will returne to thee words.
* Psal. 16. 2. rom. 11. 35. iob. 22. 3.
Mica. 3. 5. Psa. 55. 119 12.
* Chap. 27 6 9 50.
1. 28. isa. 1. 15. ier. 11. 11.
† That is, God.
† That is, Iob.
† Heb. shall passe away by the sword
† Heb. they dyed.
† Heb. that which are yet words for God.
† Heb. heart.
‖ Or, afflicted.
* Psal. 34. 14.
* Chap. 21. 13.

† Hebr. their soule dieth.

14 † They die in youth, and their life *is* among the ‖vncleane.

‖ Or, Sodomites.

15 He deliuereth the ‖poore in his affliction, and openeth their eares in oppression.

‖ Or, afflicted.

16 Euen so would he haue remooued thee out of the strait, *into* a broad place where *there is* no straitnesse, and † that which should bee set on thy table *should be* full of fatnesse.

† Heb. the rest of thy table.

17 But thou hast fulfilled the iudgement of the wicked: ‖ iudgment and iustice take hold *on thee.*

‖ Or, iudgment and iustice should vphold thee.

18 Because *there is* wrath, *beware* lest hee take thee away with *his* stroke: then a great ransome cannot † deliuer thee.

† Hebr. turne thee aside.

19 Will he esteeme thy riches? no not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather then affliction.

22 Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him?

23 Who hath enioyned him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?

24 Remember that thou magnifie his worke, which men behold.

25 Euery man may see it, man may behold *it* afar off.

26 Behold, God *is* great, & we know *him* not, neither can the number of his yeeres be searched out.

27 For hee maketh small the drops of water: they powre downe raine according to the vapour thereof:

28 Which the clouds doe drop, and distill vpon man abundantly.

29 Also can any vnderstand the spreadings of the clouds, *or* the noise of his Tabernacle?

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light vpon it, and couereth † the bottome of the sea.

† Heb. the roots.

31 For by them iudgeth he the people, he giueth meat in abundance.

32 With clouds he couereth the light, and commandeth it *not to shine*, by *the cloud* that commeth betwixt.

† Hebr. that which goeth vp.

33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattell also concerning † the vapour.

CHAP. XXXVII.

1 God is to be feared because of his great workes. 15 His wisedome vnsearchable in them.

† Hebr. heare in hearing.

AT this also my heart trembleth, and is moued out of his place.

† Hebr. light.

2 †Heare attentiuely the noise of his voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of his mouth.

† Hebr. wings of the earth.

3 Hee directeth it vnder the whole heauen, and his † lightning vnto the † ends of the earth.

4 After it a voice roareth: hee thundreth with the voyce of his excellencie, and hee will not stay them when his voyce is heard.

*P*Psa. 148. 16, 17.

5 God thundereth marueilously with his voice: great things doeth he, which wee cannot comprehend.

† Hebr. and to the

6 For *he* saith to the snow, Bee thou *on the* earth: †likewise to the small raine, and to the great raine of his strength.

showre of raine and to the showres of raine of his strength.

7 He sealeth vp the hand of euery man, that all men may know his worke.

† Hebr. out of the chamber.

8 Then the beasts goe into dens: and remaine in their places.

9 †Out of the South commeth the whirlewind: and cold out of the † North.

† Hebr. scattering winder.

10 By the breath of God frost is giuen: and the breadth of the waters is straitned.

11 Also by watering hee wearieth the thicke cloud: hee scattereth † his bright cloud.

12 And it is turned round about by his counsels that they may doe whatsoeuer he commandeth them vpon the face of the world in the earth.

13 He causeth it to come, whether for † correction, or for his land, or for mercy.

14 Hearken vnto this, O Iob: stand still, and consider the wondrous workes of God.

15 Doest thou know when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine?

16 Doest thou know the ballancings of the clouds: the wondrous workes of him which is perfect in knowledge?

17 How thy garments are warme, when he quieteth the earth by the South *wind?*

18 Hast thou with him spread out the skie, which is strong, *and* as a molten looking glasse?

19 Teach vs what we shall say vnto him, for we cannot order *our speech* by reason of darkenesse.

20 Shall it be told him that I speake? If a man speake, surely he shall be swallowed vp.

21 And now *men* see not the bright light which is in the clouds: but *the* wind passeth & cleanseth them.

22 † Faire weather commeth out of the North: with God *is* terrible maiesty.

23 Touching the Almighty, wee cannot find him out: hee *is* excellent in power, and in iudgement, and in plenty of iustice: he will not afflict.

24 Men doe therefore feare him: hee respecteth not any that *are* wise of heart.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

1 God challengeth Iob to answere. 4 God by his mighty workes conuinceth Iob of ignorance, & of imbecillity.

THen the LORD answered Iob out of the whirlewind, and said,

2 Who *is* this *that* darkeneth counsell by words without knowledge?

3 Gird vp now thy loines like a man: for I will demand of thee, and † answere thou me.

4 *Where wast thou, when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, † if thou hast vnderstanding.

5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line vpon it?

6 Whereupon are the † foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof,

7 When the morning starres sang together, and all the sonnes of God shouted for ioy?

8 *Or who* shut vp the sea with doores, when it brake foorth, *as if* it had issued out of the wombe?

9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thicke darkenesse a swadling band for it,

10 And ‖ brake vp for it my decreed place, and set barres and doores,

11 And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: & here shall † thy proud waues be stayed?

12 Hast thou commanded the morning since thy dayes? & caused *the* day spring to know his place?

13 That *it* might take hold of the † ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken out of it?

14 It is turned as clay to the seale, and they stand as a garment.

15 And from the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arme shall be broken.

16 Hast thou entred into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?

17 Haue the gates of death beene opened vnto thee? or hast thou seene the doores of the shadow of death?

18 Hast thou perceiued the breadth of the earth? declare, if thou knowest it all.

19 W

Where is the way *where* light dwelleth? and
…r darkenesse, where *is* the place thereof?
That thou shouldest take it ‖ to the bound
…of, and that thou shouldest know the paths
…o house thereof.
Knowest thou *it*, because thou wast then borne?
…*cause* the number of thy dayes *is* great?
Hast thou entred into the treasures of the
…Or hast thou seene the treasures of the haile,
Which I have reserved against the time of
…le, against the day of battell and warre?
By what way is the light parted? *which* scat-
…reth the East wind vpon the earth.
Who hath divided a water course for the
…owing of waters? or a way for the lightning
…nders,
To cause it to raine on the earth, *where* no man
…is; on the wildernesse, wherein there is no man?
To satisfie the desolate and waste *ground*, and
…to cause the bud of the tender herbe to spring forth?
Hath the raine a father? or who hath begotten
…the drops of dew?
Out of whose wombe came the yce? and the
…hoare frost of heaven who hath gendred it?
The waters are hid as *with* a stone, and the
…face of the deepe † is frozen.
Canst thou bind the sweet influences of ‖ Pleiades,
…or loose the bands of † Orion?
Canst thou bring forth ‖ Mazzaroth in his sea-
…son? or canst thou † guide Arcturus with his sonnes?
Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst
…thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?
Canst thou lift vp thy voyce to the clouds, that
…abundance of waters may cover thee?
Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go,
…and say vnto thee, † Here we are?
Who hath put wisdome in the inward parts? or
…who hath given vnderstanding to the heart?
Who can number the clouds in wisedome? or
…who can stay the bottles of heaven,
When the dust † groweth into hardnes, and
…the clods cleave fast together?
Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill
…the appetite of the young lions,
When they couch in their dens, *and* abide in
…the couert to lie in wait?
Who prepareth for the raven his food? when
…his young ones cry vnto God, they wander for lack of meat.

CHAP. XXXIX.

He will goats and hinds. 5 Of the wild asse. 9 Of the unicorne. 13 The peacocke, storke, and ostrich. 19 The horse. 26 The hawke. 27 The eagle.

Knowest thou the time when the wild Goats
…of the rocke bring forth? *or* canst thou marke
…when Hindes doe calue?
Canst thou number the moneths *that* they ful-
…fill? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?
They bow themselues, they bring foorth their
…young ones, they cast out their sorrowes.
Their young ones are in good liking, they grow
…vp with corne; they goe forth, and returne not vnto them.
Who hath sent out the wild Asse free? or who
…hath loosed the bands of the wild Asse?
Whose house I have made the wildernesse, and
…the barren land his dwellings.
He scorneth the multitude of the citie, neither
…regardeth the crying † of the driver.
The range of the mountaines *is* his pasture, and
…he searcheth after every greene thing.
Will the Vnicorne be willing to serue thee? or abide by thy crib?
Canst thou binde the Vnicorne with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys after thee?
Wilt thou trust him, because his strength is great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?
Wilt thou beleeue him that hee will bring home thy seed? and gather it into thy barne?
Gavest thou the goodly wings vnto the Peacockes? or ‖ wings and feathers vnto the Ostrich? ‖ *Or, the feathers of the storke and ostrich.*
Which leaveth her egges in the earth, and warmeth them in dust.
And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may breake them.
She is hardened against her young ones, as though they were not hers: her labour is in vaine without feare.
Because God hath depriued her of wisedome, neither hath he imparted to her vnderstanding.
What time she lifteth vp her selfe on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.
Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his necke with thunder?
Canst thou make him afraid as a grashopper? the glory of his nostrils *is* † terrible.
He paweth in the valley, and reioyceth in *his* † *Heb. terrour.* strength: he goeth on to meet † the armed men.
He mocketh at feare, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he backe from the sword. ‖ *Or, his feet digge.*
The quiuer ratleth against him, the glittering speare and the shield. † *Heb. the armour.*
He swalloweth the ground with fiercenesse and rage: neither beleeueth he that it *is* the sound of the trumpet.
He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battell afarre off, the thunder of the captaines, and the shouting.
Doth the Hawke flie by thy wisedome, *and* stretch her wings toward the South?
Doth the Eagle mount vp † at thy command? and make her nest on high? † *Heb. by thy mouth.*
She dwelleth and abideth on the rocke, vpon the crag of the rocke, and the strong place.
From thence she seeketh the prey, *and* her eyes behold afarre off.
Her young ones also suck vp blood: and * where the slaine are, there is she. * Mat. 24. 28. Luke 17. 37.

CHAP. XL.

Iob humbleth himselfe to God. 6 God stirreth him vp to shew his righteousnesse, power, and wisedome. 15 Of the Behemoth.

Moreouer, the LORD answered Iob, and said,
Shall he that contendeth with the Almightie instruct *him*? he that reproueth God, let him answere it.
Then Iob answered the LORD, and said,
Behold, I am vile, what shall I answere thee? I will lay my hand vpon my mouth.
Once haue I spoken, but I will not answere; yea twice, but I will proceed no further.
Then answered the LORD vnto Iob out of the whirlewind, and said:
Gird vp thy loines now like a man: I will * Chap. 38. 3.
demand of thee, and declare thou vnto me.
Wilt thou also disanull my iudgement? wilt * Psal. 50. 21. Rom. 3. 4.
thou condemne me, that thou mayest be righteous?
Hast thou an arme like God? or canst thou thunder with a voyce like him?
Decke thy selfe now with maiestie, and excel- ‖ Psal. 104. 1.
lencie, and array thy selfe with glory and beautie.
Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold

euery one that is proud, and abase him.

12 Look on euery one that is proud, *and* bring him low: and tread downe the wicked in their place.

13 Hide them in the dust together, and bind their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confesse vnto thee, that thine owne right hand can saue thee.

15 ¶ Behold now ‖ Behemoth, which I made with thee, he eateth grasse as an oxe.

16 Lo now, his strength is in his loynes, and his force is in the muell of his belly.

17 ‖ He mouueth his taile like a ceder: the sinewes of his stones are wrapt together.

18 His bones are *as* strong pieces of brasse: his bones are like barres of yron.

19 Hee *is* the chiefe of the wayes of God: hee that made him, can make his sword to approach vnto *him*.

20 Surely the mountaines bring him forth food: where all the beasts of the field play.

21 He lieth vnder the shadie trees, in the couert of the reed and fens.

22 The shady trees couer him *with* their shadow, the willowes of the brooke compasse him about.

23 Behold, † he drinketh vp a riuer, *and* hasteth not: he trusteth that hee can draw vp Iordan into his mouth.

24 ‖ Hee taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares.

CHAP. XLI.

Of Gods great power in the Leuiathan.

CAnst thou draw out ‖ Leuiathan with an hooke? or his tongue with a cord † *which* thou lettest downe?

2 Canst thou put an hooke into his nose? or bore his law through with a thorne?

3 Will he make many supplications vnto thee? will he speake soft *words* vnto thee?

4 Will hee make a couenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a seruant for euer?

5 Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?

7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish speares?

8 Lay thine hand vpon him, remember the battell: doe no more.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in vaine: shall not one be cast downe, euen at the sight of him?

10 None is so fierce that dare stir him vp: who then is able to stand before me?

11 * Who hath preuented me, that I should repay *him*? *whatsoeuer* is vnder ‖ whole heauen is mine.

12 I will not conceale his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can discouer the face of his garment? or who can come *to him* ‖ with his double bridle?

14 Who can open the doores of his face? his teeth *are* terrible round about.

15 *His* † scales *are his* pride, shut vp together *as with a* close seale.

16 One is so neere to another, that no ayre can come between them.

17 They are ioyned one to another, they sticke together, that they cannot be sundred.

18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the eye-lids of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth goe burning lampes, *and* sparkes of fire leape out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as *out* of a seething pot or cauldron.

21 His breath kindleth coales, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his necke remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into ioy before him.

23 † The flakes of his flesh are ioyned together: they are firme in themselues, they cannot be moued.

24 His heart is as sure as a stone, yea, as sure as a piece of the nether *millestone*.

25 When he raiseth vp himselfe, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purifie themselues.

26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the speare, the dart, nor the habergeon.

27 He esteemeth yron as straw, *and* brasse as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slinge stones are turned with him into stubble.

29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a speare.

30 † Sharpe stones *are* vnder him: he spreadeth sharpe pointed things vpon the mire.

31 He maketh the deepe to boile like a pot: he maketh the Sea like a pot of ointment.

32 He maketh a path to shine after him: one would thinke the deepe to be hoare.

33 Vpon earth there is not his like: *who* is made without feare.

34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king ouer all the children of pride.

CHAP. XLII.

1 *Iob submitteth himself to God, confessing his ignorance, and his rashnesse, and accepteth him. 7 He reproueth Eliphaz and his two friends. 10 Iob prayeth for them. 12 Iobs wealth doubled. 16 Iob liueth an hundred and fourty yeares, and seeth his children to the fourth generation.*

THen Iob answered the Lord, and said,

2 I know that ‖ thou canst do euery thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.

3 * Who is he that hideth counsell without knowledge? therefore haue I vttered that I vnderstood not, things too wonderfull for me, which I knew not.

4 Heare, I beseech thee, and I will speake: I will demand of thee, and declare thou vnto me.

5 I haue heard of thee by the hearing of the eare: but now mine eye seeth thee.

6 Wherefore I abhorre *my selfe*, and repent in dust and ashes.

7 ¶ And it was so, that after the Lord had spoken these words vnto Iob, the Lord said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye haue not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my seruant Iob hath.

8 Therefore take vnto you now seuen bullocks, and seuen rammes, and go to my seruant Iob, and offer vp for your selues a burnt offering: and my seruant Iob shall pray for you: for him will I accept: lest I deale with you after your folly, in that ye haue not spoken of me the thing which is right, like my seruant Iob.

9 So Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the Lord commanded them: the Lord also accepted Iob.

10 And the Lord turned the captiuity of Iob, when he prayed for his friends: also the Lord gaue Iob twice as much as he had before.

11 Then came there vnto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eate bread with him in his house, and they bemoaned him, and comforted him ouer all the euill that the Lord had brought vpon him: euery man also gaue him

Or, the Elephant as one shall take, ‖ Or, he seeketh vp.

† He hee oppresseth ‖ Or, will any take him in his sight? or bore his nose with a snare?

‖ That is, a whale, or a whirlepoole. ‖ Hebr. which thou drawest.

† Psal. 24 1. & 50. 12. 1. Cor. 10 26.

‖ Or, within.

† Heb. strong pieces of shields.

Leuiathan. Psalm. 74. 26. Habac. 1. Matth. 12. Luke. 16.

…eepand euery one an eare-ring of gold.
…a So the LORD bleſſed the latter end of Iob more then his beginning: for hee had fourteene thouſand sheepe, and ſix-thouſand camels, and a thouſand yoke of oxen, and a thouſand aſſe-ſes.
13 He had alſo ſeuen ſons, and three daughters.
14 And he called the name of the firſt Iemima, and the name of the ſecond Kezia, and the name of the third Keren-happuch.
15 And in all the land were no women found ſo faire as the daughters of Iob: and their father gaue them inheritance among their brethren.
16 After this, liued Iob an hundred and fourty yeeres, and ſaw his ſonnes, and his ſonnes ſonnes, euen foure generations.
17 So Iob died being old, and full of dayes.

¶ THE BOOKE OF PSALMES.

PSAL. I.

The happineſſe of the godly. 4 The vnhappineſſe of the vngodly.

BLeſſed* is the man that walketh not in the counſell of the vngodly, nor ſtandeth in the way of ſinners, nor ſitteth in the ſeat of the ſcornefull.
2 But his delight is in the Law of the LORD, and in his Law doth he meditate day & night.
3 And he ſhall be like a tree planted by the riuers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his ſeaſon: his leafe alſo ſhall not wither, and whatſoeuer he doth, ſhall proſper.
4 The vngodly are not ſo: but are* like the chaffe which the wind driueth away.
5 Therefore the vngodly ſhall not ſtand in the iudgement, nor ſinners in the congregation of the righteous.
6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the vngodly ſhall periſh.

PSAL. II.

The kingdome of Chriſt. 10 Kings are exhorted to it.

WHy* doe the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vaine thing?
2 The Kings of the earth ſet themſelues, and the rulers take counſell together, againſt the LORD, and againſt his Anointed, ſaying,
3 Let vs breake their bands aſunder, and caſt away their cords from vs.
4 He that ſitteth in the heauens ſhall laugh: the LORD ſhall haue them in deriſion.
5 Then ſhall he ſpeake vnto them in his wrath: and vexe them in his ſore diſpleaſure.
6 Yet haue I ſet my King vpon my holy hill of Zion.
7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath ſaid vnto me, Thou art my Sonne, this day haue I begotten thee.
8 Aſke of me, and I ſhall giue thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the vttermoſt parts of the earth for thy poſſeſſion.
9 Thou ſhalt breake them with a rod of yron, thou ſhalt daſh them in pieces like a potters veſſel.
10 Be wiſe now therefore, O ye Kings: be inſtructed ye Iudges of the earth.
11 Serue the LORD with feare, and reioyce with trembling.
12 Kiſſe the Son, leſt he be angry, and ye periſh from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Bleſſed* are all they that put their truſt in him.

PSAL. III.

The ſecurity of Gods protection.

¶ A Pſalme of Dauid, when he fled from Abſolom his ſonne.

LORD, how are they increaſed that trouble me? many are they that riſe vp againſt me.
2 Many there be which ſay of my ſoule, There is no helpe for him in God. Selah.
3 But thou, O LORD, art a ſhield for me: my glory, and the lifter vp of mine head.
4 I cryed vnto the LORD with my voyce: and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.
5 I laid me downe and ſlept: I awaked, for the LORD ſuſtained me.
6 I will not be afraid of ten thouſands of people, that haue ſet themſelues againſt me round about.
7 Ariſe, O LORD, ſaue me, O my God: for thou haſt ſmitten all mine enemies vpon the cheekebone: thou haſt broken the teeth of the vngodly.
8 Saluation belongeth vnto the LORD: thy bleſſing is vpon thy people. Selah.

PSAL. IIII.

A mediatour: he inuiteth. 2 He reproueth and exhorteth his enemies. 6 Many happineſſe is in Gods fauour.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician on Neginoth.

A Pſalme of Dauid.

HEare me when I call, O God of my righteouſneſſe: thou haſt enlarged me when I was in diſtreſſe, haue mercy vpon me, and heare my prayer.
2 O ye ſonnes of men, how long will ye turne my glory into ſhame? how long will ye loue vanity, and ſeeke after leaſing? Selah.
3 But know that the LORD hath ſeparate him that is godly for himſelfe: the LORD will heare when I call vnto him.
4 Stand in awe, and ſinne not: commune with your owne heart, vpon your bed, and be ſtill. Selah.
5 Offer the ſacrifices of righteouſneſſe, and put your truſt in the LORD.
6 There be many that ſay, Who will ſhew vs any good? LORD, lift thou vp the light of thy countenance vpon vs.
7 Thou haſt put gladneſſe in my heart, more then in the time that their corne and their wine increaſed.

Psal.5.5 8 *I will both lay me downe in peace, and sleepe: for thou LORD, onely makest me dwell in safetie.

PSAL. V.

1 Dauid prayeth, and professeth his study in prayer. 4 God fauoureth not the wicked. 7 Dauid professing his faith, prayeth vnto God to guide him, 10 to destroy his enemies. 11 and to preserue the godly.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Nehiloth. A Psalme of Dauid.

GIue eare to my words, O LORD, consider my
Psal. 130.6. meditation.
† Hebr. before 2 Hearken vnto the voyce of my crie, my King and my God: for vnto thee will I pray.
thine eyes. 3 *My voyce shalt thou heare in the morning, O LORD, in the morning will I direct my prayer
† Heb. the man of bloods & deceit. vnto thee, and will looke vp.
4 For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wicke lnesse: neither shall euill dwell with ther.
5 The foolish shall not stand † in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of in qu tie.
† Heb. the temple of thy holi nesse. 6 Thou shalt destroy them that speake leasing: the LORD will abhorre the † bloody and deceitfull man.
† Hebr. those which obserue me. 7 But as for mee, I will come into thy house, in the multitude of thy mercie: and in thy feare will I worship toward † thy holy Temple.
8 Leade me, O LORD, in thy righteousnesse, because of † mine enemies, make thy way straight
(Confirma- tion) before my face.
9 For there is no † faithfulnesse † in their mouth
† Heb. truth their inward part is † very wickednesse * their
that is, in the mouth of any of them. throat is an open sepulchre, they flatter with their tongue.
† Hebr. wickednesses. 10 ‖ Destroy thou them, O God, let them fall by their owne counsels: cast them out in the multitude of their transg ressions, for they haue rebelled against thee.
* Rom. 3.13. 11 But let all those that put their trust in thee, reioyce: let them sh outforioy; because thou
Or, make them ioyfull. † defendest them: let them also that loue thy Name, be ioyfull in ther.
‖ Or, from their counsels. † Hebr. thou couerest ouer, or protectest them
† Hebr. crowne him. 12 For thou LORD, wilt blesse † righteous: with fauour wilt thou † compasse him as with a shield.

PSAL. VI.

1 Dauids complaint in his sickenesse. 8 By faith he triumpheth ouer his enemies.

‖ Or, vpon Sheminith. ¶ To the chiefe Musician on Neginoth ‖ vpon Sheminith, A Psalme of Dauid.
* Psal. 38.1. O * LORD rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.
2 Haue mercy vpon me, O LORD, for I am weake: O LORD heale me, for my bones are vexed.
3 My soule is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?
4 Returne, O LORD, deliuer my soule: O saue me for thy mercies sake.
* Psal. 30. 10 & 88. 11. & 115. 17. & 118. 17. Isay 38.18. 5 * For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grane who shall giue thee thankes?
Or, euery night. 6 I am weary with my groaning, † all the night make I my bed to swimme: I water my couch with my teares.
7 Mine eye is consumed because of griefe; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.
* Matth. 7.23 & 25 41. Luke 13.27. 8 * Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity: for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.
9 The LORD hath heard my supplication, the LORD will receiue my prayer.
10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed & sore vexed: let them returne, and be ashamed suddenly.

PSAL. VII.

1 Dauid prayeth against the malice of his enemies, professing his innocencie. 10 By faith he seeth his defence, and the destruction of his enemies.

¶ Shiggaion of Dauid, which he sung vnto the LORD, concerning the ‖ words of Cush the Benjamite.

O LORD my God, in thee doe I put my trust: saue me from all them that persecute me, and deliuer me.
2 Lest he teare my soule like a Lion, rending it in pieces, while there is † none to deliuer.
3 O LORD my God, if I haue done this; if there be iniquitie in my hands:
4 If I haue rewarded euill vnto him that was at peace with me: (yea, I haue deliuered him that without cause is mine enemie.)
5 Let the enemie persecute my soule, and take it, yea, let him tread downe my life vpon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.
6 Arise, O LORD, in thine anger, lift vp thy selfe because of the rage of mine enemies that rage against me: to the iudgement that thou hast commanded.
7 So shall the Congregation of the people compasse thee about: for their sakes therefore returne thou on high.
8 The LORD shall iudge the people: iudge me, O LORD, * according to my righteousnesse, and according to mine integritie that is in me.
9 O let the wickednesse of the wicked come to an end, but establish the iust: * for the righteous God tryeth the hearts and reines.
10 ‖ My defence is of God, which saueth the right in heart.
11 ‖ God iudgeth the righteous, and God angrie with the wicked euery day.
12 If he turne not, he will whet his sword: he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.
13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; he ordaineth his arrowes against the persecutors.
14 * Behold, he trauaileth with iniquitie, and hath conceiued mischiefe, and brought forth falshood.
15 † He made a pit, and digged it, * and is fallen into the ditch which he made.
16 His mischiefe shall returne vpon his owne head, and his violent dealing shall come downe vpon his owne pate.
17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousnesse: and will sing praise to the Name of the LORD most High.

PSAL. VIII.

Gods glory is magnified by his works, and his loue to man.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Gittith. A Psalme of Dauid.

O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is thy Name in all the earth! who hast set thy glorie aboue the heauens.
2 * Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou † ordained strength, because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemie and the auenger.
3 When I consider thy heauens, the worke of thy fingers, the Moone and the Starres which thou hast ordained;
4 * What is man, that thou art mindfull of him? and the sonne of man, that thou visitest him?
5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the Angels; & hast crowned him with glory & honour.
6 Thou madest him to haue dominion ouer the works of thy hands; * thou hast put all things vnder his feet.

†† All theepe and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field:

8 The foule of the ayre, and the fish of the Sea, and whatsoever passeth through the pathes of the Sea.

9 O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy Name in all the earth!

PSAL. IX.

1 David prayseth God for executing of iudgement. 11 He inciteth others to praise him. 13 He prayeth that he may have cause to praise him.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Muth-Labben. A Psalme of Dauid.

I Will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart: I will shew forth all thy marvellous workes.

2 I will be glad and reioyce in thee: I will sing praise to thy Name, O thou most high.

3 When mine enemies are turned backe, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

4 For † thou hast maintained my right, and my cause: thou sittest in the throne iudging † right.

5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked; thou hast put out their name for euer and euer.

6 ‖ O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetuall end: and thou hast destroyed cities, their memorial is perished with them.

7 But the LORD shall endure for euer: he hath prepared his throne for iudgement.

8 And he shall iudge the world in righteousnes: he shall minister iudgement to the people in vprightnesse.

9 * The LORD also will be † a refuge for the oppressed: a refuge in times of trouble.

10 And they that know thy Name will put their trust in thee: for thou LORD hast not forsaken them that seeke thee.

11 Sing praises to the LORD which dwelleth in Sion: declare among the people his doings.

12 * When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembreth them: he forgetteth not the cry of the meeke.

13 Haue mercy vpon me, O LORD, consider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate me, thou that liftest me vp from the gates of death:

14 That I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Sion: I will reioyce in thy saluation.

15 The heathen are sunke downe in the pit that they made: in the net which they hid is their owne foot taken.

16 The LORD is knowne by the iudgement which he executeth: the wicked is snared in the worke of his owne hands. Higgaion. Selah.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

18 For the needy shall not alwaies be forgotten: † the patient abiding of the poore shall not perish for euer.

19 Arise, O LORD, let not man preuaile: let the heathen be iudged in thy sight.

20 Put them in feare, O LORD: that the nations may know themselues to be but men. Selah.

PSAL. X.

1 He complaineth to God of the outrage of the wicked. 12 He prayeth for remedy. 16 He professeth his faith.

WHy standest thou afarre off, O LORD? why hidest thou thy selfe in times of trouble?

2 The wicked in his pride doth persecute the poore: let them be taken in the deuices that they haue imagined.

3 For the wicked boasteth of his † hearts desire, ‖ and blesseth the couetous, whom the LORD abhorreth.

4 The wicked through the pride of his countenance will not seeke after God: ‖ God is not in all his* thoughts.

5 His wayes are alwaies grieuous, thy iudgements are farre aboue out of his sight: as for all his enemies he puffeth at them.

6 He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moued: for I shall † neuer be in aduersity.

7 * His mouth is full of cursing, and † deceit, and fraud: vnder his tongue is mischiefe and ‖ vanity.

8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes † are priuily set against the poore.

9 He lyeth in wait secretly, as a lyon in his den: he lieth in wait to catch the poore: he doth catch the poore when he draweth him into his net.

10 † He croucheth, and humbleth himselfe, that the poore may fall ‖ by his strong ones.

11 He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: * he hideth his face, he will neuer see it.

12 Arise, O LORD: O God, lift vp thine hand: forget not the ‖ humble.

13 Wherefore doth the wicked contemne God? he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not require it.

14 Thou hast seene it, for thou beholdest mischiefe and spite to requite it with thy hand: the poore ‖ committeth himselfe vnto thee, thou art the helper of the fatherlesse.

15 Breake thou the arme of the wicked, and the euill man: seeke out his wickednesse till thou finde none.

16 * The LORD is King for euer and euer: the heathen are perished out of his land.

17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt ‖ prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine eare to heare,

18 To iudge the fatherlesse and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more ‖ oppresse.

*† Heb. soules. ‖ Or, the couetous blesseth himselfe, he abhorreth the Lord. * Or, all his thoughts are, there is no God.*

† Heb. deceits. ‖ Or, iniquity. † Heb. beareth them. ‖ Heb. in the secret places. † Heb. he breaketh himselfe. ‖ Or into his strong parts.

*† Heb. in darkenes. * Abak. 2. 20.*

*† Heb. to generations, and generation. * Rom. 3. 14. † Heb. deceits. ‖ Or, iniquity. † Heb. thou. ‖ Heb. in the secret places. † Heb. he breaketh himselfe. ‖ Or into his strong parts. * Ps. 94. 7 ‖ Or, afflicted. Ier. 16. 10.*

*† Heb. to auoyth. * Psal. 29. 9. and 145. 13. and 146. 10. Ier. 5. 29. ‖ Or, ejaculation. ‖ Or, terrifie.*

PSAL. XI.

1 David encouraging himselfe in God against his enimies. 4 The proude not to inflict a C d.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

IN the LORD put I my trust: how say yee to my soule, Flee as a bird to your mountaine?

2 For lo, the wicked bend their bow, they make ready their arrow vpon the string: that they may † priuily shoot at the vpright in heart.

3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous doe?

4 * The LORD is in his holy Temple, the LORDS throne is in heauen: his eyes behold, his eyelids try the children of men.

5 The LORD proueth the righteous: but the wicked, and him that loueth violence, his soule hateth.

6 Vpon the wicked he shall raine snares, fire, and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup.

7 For the righteous LORD loueth righteousnes: his countenance doth behold the vpright.

PSAL. XII.

1 David destitute of humane comfort, craueth helpe of God. 3 He comforteth himselfe with Gods iudgements on the wicked, and confidence in Gods tryed promises.

‖ Or, vpon the eighth

¶ To the chiefe Musician ‖ vpon Sheminith. A Psalme of Dauid.

‖ Or, iane

HElpe LORD, for the godly man ceaseth: for the faithfull fayle from among the children of men.

2 They speake vanity euery one with his neighbour: *with* flattering lips, *and* with † a double heart doe they speake.

† Heb. an heart and an heart.

3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, *and* the tongue that speaketh † proud things.

† Heb. Great things.

4 Who haue said, With our tongue will we preuaile, our lips † are our owne: who is Lord ouer vs?

† Heb. are with vs.

5 For the oppression of the poore, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise (saith ‖ the LORD) I will set *him* in safety *from him that* ‖ puffeth at him.

‖ Or, would ryuare him

6 The words of the LORD are pure words: * *as* siluer tryed in a furnace of earth, purified seuen times.

* 2. Sam. 22.31. psal. 18.29. and 119. ver. 140. pro. 30.5.

7 Thou shalt keepe them (O LORD) thou shalt preserue † them from this generation for euer.

† He. him, that is euery one of them.

8 The wicked walke on euery side, when the † vilest men are exalted.

† Heb. the vilest of the sonnes of men are exalted.

PSAL. XIII.

1 Dauid complaineth of delay in helpe. 3 He prayeth for preuenting grace. 5 His confidence of diuine mercy.

‖ Or, euermore.

¶ To the ‖ chiefe Musician. *A Psalme* of Dauid.

HOw long wilt thou forget me (O LORD) for euer? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2 How long shall I take counsell in my soule, *hauing* sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall mine enemie be exalted ouer me?

3 Consider *and* heare me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, least I sleepe *the sleepe* of death.

4 Least mine enemie say, I haue preuailed against him: *and* those that trouble me, reioyce when I am moued.

5 But I haue trusted in thy mercy, my heart shall reioyce in thy saluation.

6 I will sing vnto the LORD, because hee hath dealt bountifully with me.

PSAL. XIIII.

1 Dauid describeth the corruption of a vaine minde. 4 He conuinceth the wicked by the light of their conscience. 7 He gloriethin the saluation of God.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. *A Psalme* of Dauid.

* Psal. 10. 4. & 53. 1.

THe * foole hath said in his heart, *there is* no God: they are corrupt, they haue done abominable works, there is none that doth good.

* Rom. 3. 10.

2 The LORD looked downe from heauen vpon the children of men, * to see if there were any that did vnderstand, *and* seeke God.

† Hel. stinking.

3 They are all gone aside, they are altogether become † filthy: there is none that doth good, no not one.

4 Haue all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eate vp my people as they eate bread, and call not vpon the LORD.

† Hebr. they feared a feare.

5 † There were they in great feare, for God is in the generation of the righteous.

6 You haue shamed the counsell of the poore, because the LORD is his refuge.

† Hebr. who will giue &c.

7 † O that the saluation of Israel *were come* out of Sion! when the LORD bringeth backe the captiuity of his people, Iacob shall reioyce, *and* Israel shall be glad.

PSAL. XV.

Dauid describeth a citizen of [illegible]

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

LORD, * who shall † abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?

* He that walketh vprightly, and worketh righteousnesse, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

3 He *that* backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doth euill to his neighbour, nor taketh vp a reproach against his neighbour.

Ia. 4. 11.

4 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned, but he honoureth them that feare the LORD. He that sweareth to his owne hurt, and changeth not.

5 * He that putteth not out his money to vsury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doth these things shall neuer be moued.

PSAL. XVI.

1 Dauid in distrust of merits, and enuy of his foes, flyeth to God for preseruation. 5 He setteth the hope of his calling, of the resurrection, and euerlasting.

¶ ‖ Michtam of Dauid.

PReserue me, O God: for in thee [illegible] trust.

2 O my soule, thou hast said vnto the LORD, Thou *art* my Lord: my goodnesse *extendeth* not to thee:

3 But to the Saints that *are* in the earth, *and to* the excellent in whom all my delight *is*.

4 Their sorrowes shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drinke offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take their names vp into my lips.

5 * The LORD *is* the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.

6 The lines are fallen vnto me in pleasant places, yea, I haue a goodly heritage.

7 I will blesse the LORD, who hath giuen me counsell: my reines also instruct me in the night seasons.

8 * I haue set the LORD alwayes before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moued.

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory reioyceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

10 * For thou wilt not leaue my soule in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulnesse of ioy, at thy right hand *are* pleasures for euermore.

PSAL. XVII.

1 Dauid in confidence of his vprightnesse doth vow to God againe [illegible] 3 He is tried by the [illegible] 6 He prayeth for [illegible] 8 He describeth [illegible]

A Prayer

HEare the right, O LORD, consider my cry: giue eare vnto my prayer, that goeth not out of fained lips.

2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence: let thine eyes behold the things that are equall.

3 Thou hast proued mine heart, thou hast visited *me* in the night, thou hast tried me, and shalt find nothing: I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgresse.

4 Concerning the workes of men, by the word of thy lips, I haue kept me from the paths of the destroyer.

5 Hold vp my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.

6 I haue called vpon thee, for thou wilt heare me, O God: incline thine eare vnto me, and heare my speech.

7 Shew thy marueilous louing kindnesse, O thou
that sauest by thy right hand, the which put their
trust in thee, from those that rise vp against them.
8 Keepe me as the apple of the eye, hide me vn-
der the shadow of thy wings,
9 From the wicked † that oppresse me: from
† deadly enemies, who compasse me about.
10 They are inclosed in their owne fat: with
their mouth they speake proudly.
11 They haue now compassed vs in our steps: they
haue set their eies, bowing downe to the earth:
12 † Like as a lyon that is greedy of his pray, and
as it were a young lyon † lurking in secret places.
13 Arise, O LORD, † disappoint him, cast him
downe: deliuer my soule from the wicked, † which
is thy sword:
14 † From men which are thy hand, O LORD,
from men of the world, which haue their portion
in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy
hid treasure: † they are full of children, and leaue
the rest of their substance to their babes.
15 As for me, I will behold thy face in righte-
ousnesse: I shall be satisfied when I awake with thy
likenesse.

(Or, great waters.)

† Heb. with.

† Heb. before his eyes.

13 † Heb. present his face. † Or, by thy sword. 14 † Or, by thine hand, O Lord, from men of the world, which haue their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: † they are full of children, and leaue the rest of their substance to their babes.

PSAL. XVIII.

Dauid praiseth God for his manifold and marueilous blessings.

1 To the chiefe Musician, *A Psalme* of Dauid the seruant of the LORD, who spake vnto the LORD the words of † this song, in the day that the LORD deliuered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: and he said,
2 I will loue thee, O LORD my strength.
3 The LORD is my rocke, and my fortresse, and my deliuerer: my God, † my strength, in whom I will trust, my buckler, and the horne of my saluation, and my high tower.
4 I will call vpon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saued from mine enemies.
5 The sorowes of death compassed me, and the floods of † vngodly men made me afraid.
6 The sorrowes of hell compassed me about: the snares of death preuented me.
7 In my distresse I called vpon the LORD, and cried vnto my God: he heard my voice out of his Temple, and my cry came before him, euen into his eares.
8 Then the earth shooke and trembled, the foundations also of the hils mooued and were shaken, because he was wroth.
9 There went vp a smoke † out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth deuoured, so that coales were kindled by it.
10 He bowed the heauens also and came downe: and darkenesse was vnder his feet.
11 And he rode vpon a Cherub and did flie: yea, he did flie vpon the wings of the wind.
12 He made darkenesse his secret place: his pauilion round about him, were darke waters, and thicke clouds of the skies.
13 At the brightenesse that was before him, his thicke clouds passed, haile stones and coales of fire.
14 The LORD also thundred in the heauens, & the Most High gaue his voice, haile stones & coales of fire.
15 Yea, he sent out his arrowes, & scattered them: he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.
16 Then the channels of waters were seene, & the foundations of the world were discouered: at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.
17 He sent from aboue, he tooke mee, hee drew me out of † many waters.
18 He deliuered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated mee: for they were too strong for me.
19 They preuented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.
20 He brought me forth also into a large place: he deliuered me, because he delighted in me.
21 The LORD rewarded me, according to my righteousnesse: according to the cleannesse of my hands hath he recompensed me.
22 For I haue kept the waies of the LORD, and haue not wickedly departed from my God.
23 For all his iudgements were before me: and I did not put away his statutes from me.
24 I was also vpright † before him: and I kept † Heb. with. my selfe from mine iniquity.
25 Therefore hath the LORD recompensed mee according to my righteousnesse: according to the cleannesse of my hands † in his eye sight. † Heb. before his eyes.
26 With the mercifull thou wilt shew thy selfe mercifull: with an vpright man thou wilt shew thy selfe vpright.
27 With † pure, thou wilt shew thy selfe pure: and with † froward thou wilt shew thy selfe frowarde. † Or, wrestle.
28 For thou wilt saue the afflicted people: but wilt bring downe high lookes. (Or, flame.)
29 For thou wilt light my † candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkenesse. † Or, lamp.
30 For by thee I haue † runne through a troupe, and by my God haue I leaped ouer a wall. † Or, broken.
31 As for God, his way is perfect: † the word of the LORD is † tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him. † Or, troupe. † Or, refined. † Or, without spot.
32 * For who is God, saue the LORD? or who is a rocke, saue our God?
33 It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect. 32. 2. Sam. 22. 33.
34 He maketh my feet like Hindes feet, and setteth me vpon my high places. Psal. 18. 33. Hab. 3. 19.
35 He teacheth my hands to warre: so that a bow of steele is broken by mine armes.
36 Thou hast also giuen me the shield of thy saluation: and thy right hand hath holden me vp, and thy gentlenesse hath made me great. (Or, with thy meekenesse thou hast multiplied me. † Heb. vnder me.)
37 Thou hast inlarged my steps vnder me: that † my feet did not slip. † Heb. cauſed to walk.
38 I haue pursued mine enemies, and ouertaken them: neither did I turne againe till they were consumed.
39 I haue wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen vnder my feet.
40 For thou hast girded me with strength vnto the battell: thou † hast subdued vnder me those that rose vp against me. † Heb. caused to bow.
41 Thou hast also giuen me the neckes of mine enemies: that I might destroy them that hate me.
42 They cryed, but there was none to saue them: † euen vnto the LORD, but he answered them not. † Heb. vnto.
43 Then did I beate them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in the streets.
44 Thou hast deliuered me from the strifes of the people, and thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people whom I haue not known shall serue me.
45 † As soone as they heare of me, they shall obey me: † the strangers shall † submit themselues vnto me.

† Heb. By me. † Or, runne through a troupe. † Or, the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him. † Heb. to me. † Heb. the sons of the stranger. † Or, dissemble.

45 The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.

46 The LORD liueth, and blessed *be* my rocke: and let the God of my saluation be exalted.

47 It is God that † auengeth me, and ‖ subdueth the people vnder me.

48 He deliuereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me vp aboue those that rise vp against me: thou hast deliuered me from the † violent man.

49 * Therefore will I ‖ giue thankes vnto thee, (O LORD) among the heathen: and sing praises vnto thy Name.

50 Great deliuerance giueth he to his King: and sheweth mercy to his Anointed, vnto Dauid, and to his seed for euermore.

PSAL. XIX.

1 The creatures shew Gods glory: 7 The worth of grace. 12 Dauid prayeth for grace.

¶ To the chiefe Musician, A Psalme of Dauid.

THE * heauens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy worke.

2 Day vnto day vttereth speech, and night vnto night sheweth knowledge.

3 *There is* no speech nor language, *where* ‖ their voice is not heard.

4 * ‖ Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their wordes to the end of the world: in them hath he set a Tabernacle for the Sunne.

5 Which *is* as a bridgeroome comming out of his chamber: *and* reioyceth as a strong man to run a race.

6 His going forth *is* from the end of the heauen, and his circuit vnto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The ‖ Law of the LORD is perfect ‖ conuerting the soule: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

8 The statutes of the LORD *are* right, reioycing the heart: the Commandement of the LORD *is* pure, enlightening the eyes.

9 The feare of the LORD *is* cleane, enduring for euer: the iudgements of the LORD *are* † true, *and* righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they then gold, * yea, then much fine gold: sweeter also then hony, and † the hony combe.

11 Moreouer by them is thy seruant warned: *and* in keeping of them *there is* great reward.

12 Who can vnderstand *his* errors? cleanse thou me from secret *faults*.

13 Keepe backe thy seruant also from presumptuous sinnes, let them not haue dominion ouer me: then shall I be vpright, and I shall be innocent from ‖ the great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD † my strength and my redeemer.

PSAL. XX.

1 The Church blesseth the King in his expedition. 7 Her confidence in Gods succour.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

THE LORD heare thee in the day of trouble: the Name of the God of Iacob † defend thee.

2 Send † thee helpe from the Sanctuary: and † strengthen thee out of Sion.

3 Remember all thy offerings: and † accept thy burnt sacrifice. Selah.

4 Grant thee according to thine owne heart: and fulfill all thy counsell.

5 We will reioyce in thy saluation, and in the Name of our God we will set vp our banners: the LORD fulfill all thy petitions.

6 Now know I, that the LORD saueth his anointed: he will heare him † from his holy heauen † with the sauing strength of his right hand.

7 Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the Name of the LORD our God.

8 They are brought downe and fallen: but we are risen and stand vpright.

9 Saue Lord, let the King heare vs when we call.

PSAL. XXI.

1 A thanksgiuing for victory. 7 Confidence for further successe.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

THE king shall ioy in thy strength, O LORD: in thy saluation how greatly shall he reioyce!

2 Thou hast giuen him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

3 For thou preuentest him with the blessings of goodnesse: thou settest a crowne of pure gold on his head.

4 He asked life of thee, *and* thou gauest *it* him, *euen* length of dayes for euer and euer.

5 His glory is great in thy saluation: honour and maiesty hast thou laid vpon him.

6 For thou hast † made him most blessed for euer: thou hast † made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.

7 For the King trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the most High he shall not be moued.

8 Thine hand shall finde out all thine enemies: thy right hand shall finde out those that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery ouen in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall deuour them in his wrath, and the fire shall deuour them.

10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.

11 For they intended euill against thee: they imagined a mischieuous deuice, which they are not able *to perform*.

12 Therefore ‖ shalt thou make them turne their backe, *when* thou shalt make ready thine arrowes vpon thy strings against the face of them.

13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine owne strength: so will we sing, and praise thy power.

PSAL. XXII.

1 Dauid complaineth in great distresse. 22 He reioyceth in great deliuerance. 25 He vowes thankefulnesse. 27 The calling of the Gentiles.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Aijeleth Shahar. A Psalme of Dauid.

MY God, my God, † why hast thou forsaken me? *and* art so far from helping me, *and* from the words of my roaring?

2 O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou answerest not: and in the night season, and am not silent.

3 But thou art holy, *O thou* that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliuer them.

5 They cryed vnto thee, and were deliuered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But I am a worme, and no man: a reproach of men, and despised of the people.

7 * All they that see me, laugh me to scorne: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,

8 * † He trusted on the LORD that he would deliuer him: let him deliuer him, seeing he delighted in him.

9 But thou art he that tookest me out of the wombe: thou ‖ didst make me hope when I was vpon my mothers breasts.

10 I was cast vpon thee from the wombe: thou *art* my God from my mothers belly.

11 Be not farre from me, for trouble is neere: for there is none to helpe.

12 Many bullocks haue compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan haue beset me round.

13 They gaped vpon me with their mouthes, *as* a ramping and a roaring lion.

14 I am powred out like water, and all my bones are out of ioynt: my heart is like waxe, it is melted in the middes of my bowels.

15 My strength is dried vp like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaueth to my iawes: and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

16 For dogges haue compassed me: the assemblie of the wicked haue inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feete.

17 I may tell all my bones: they looke and stare vpon me.

18 They part my garments among them: and cast lots vpon my vesture.

19 But be not thou farre off, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to helpe me.

20 Deliuer my soule from the sword: my darling from the power of the dogge.

21 Saue me from the lions mouth: for thou hast heard me from among the hornes of the vnicornes.

22 I will declare thy Name vnto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

23 Ye that feare the LORD, praise him: all ye the seede of Iacob, glorifie him, and feare him, all ye the seede of Israel.

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted: neither hath he hid his face from him, but when he cryed vnto him, he heard.

25 My praise *shall be* of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vowes before them that feare him.

26 The meeke shall eate and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seeke him: your heart shall liue for euer.

27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turne vnto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

28 For the kingdome *is* the LORDS: and he *is* the gouernour among the nations.

29 All the fat ones of the earth shall eate and worship: all they that go downe to the dust shall bow before him, and none can keepe aliue his owne soule.

30 A seede shall serue him: it shall be counted to the Lord for a generation.

31 They shall come and declare his righteousnesse vnto a people that shall be borne, that he hath done *this*.

PSAL. XXIII.

1 Dauid setteth forth the prouidence of God. 5 The graces of God. 6 His confidence.

A Psalme of Dauid.

THE LORD is my shepheard: I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie downe in greene pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soule: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousnesse for his Names sake.

4 Yea, though I walke through the valley of the shadow of death, I will feare no euill: for thou *art* with me: thy rod and thy staffe, they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou hast anointed my head with oyle, my cup runneth ouer.

6 Surely goodnesse and mercy shall follow me all the dayes of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for euer.

PSAL. XXIV.

1 The earth is the LORDS. 3 Who shall dwell with God. 7 The King of glory.

A Psalme of Dauid.

THE earth *is* the LORDS, and the fulnesse thereof: the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it vpon the seas: and established it vpon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?

4 He that hath cleane hands, and a pure heart: who hath not lifted vp his soule vnto vanity, nor sworne deceitfully.

5 He shall receiue the blessing from the LORD: and righteousnesse from the God of his saluation.

6 This *is* the generation of them that seeke him: that seeke thy face, O Iacob. Selah.

7 Lift vp your heads, O ye gates: and be ye lift vp, ye euerlasting doores: and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty: the LORD mighty in battell.

9 Lift vp your heads, O ye gates: euen lift them vp, ye euerlasting doores: and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory. Selah.

PSAL. XXV.

1 Dauid prayeth for mercy. 4 He prayeth for direction. 8 The goodnesse of God. 16 He prayeth for deliuerance.

A Psalme of Dauid.

VNTO thee, O LORD, do I lift vp my soule.

2 O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph ouer me.

3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgresse without cause.

4 Shew me thy wayes, O LORD: teach me thy paths.

5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou *art* the God of my saluation: on thee do I wait all the day.

6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy louing kindnesses: for they haue been euer of old.

7 Remember not the sinnes of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodnesse sake, O LORD.

8 Good and vpright *is* the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

9 The meeke will he guide in iudgement: and the meeke will he teach his way.

10 All the pathes of the LORD *are* mercy and truth, vnto such as keepe his couenant and his testimonies.

11 For thy Names sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity: for it is great.

12 What man *is he* that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.

13 His soule shall dwell at ease: and his seede shall inherit the earth.

14 The secret of the LORD *is* with them that feare him: and he will shew them his couenant.

15 Mine eyes *are* euer toward the LORD: for he shall plucke my feete out of the net.

16 Turne thee vnto me, and haue mercy vpon me: for I am desolate and afflicted.

17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged: bring thou me out of my distresses.

18 Consider mine affliction and my paine: and forgiue all my sinnes.

19 Consider mine enemies, for they are many: and they hate me with cruell hatred.

20 Keepe my soule, and deliuer me: let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in thee.

21 Let integrity and vprightnesse preserue me: for I wait on thee.

22 Deliuer Israel, O God: out of all his troubles.

PSAL. XXVI.

1 Dauid prayeth for iudgement. 3 He professeth his integrity. 6 He vowes thankefulnesse. 8 He prayeth for mercy.

A Psalme of Dauid.

IVDGE me, O LORD: for I haue walked in mine integrity: I haue trusted also in the LORD, therefore I shall not slide.

2 Examine me, O LORD, and proue me: try my reines and my heart.

3 For thy louing kindnesse *is* before mine eyes: and I haue walked in thy truth.

4 I haue not sate with vaine persons: neither will I goe in with dissemblers.

5 I haue hated the congregation of euill doers: and will not sit with the wicked.

6 I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compasse thine Altar, O LORD,

7 That I may publish with the voyce of thanksgiuing: and tell of all thy wonderous workes.

8 LORD, I haue loued the habitation of thine house: and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

9 Gather not my soule with sinners: nor my life with bloudy men,

10 In whose hands *is* mischiefe: and their right hand is full of bribes.

11 But as for me, I will walke in mine integrity: redeeme me, and be mercifull vnto me.

12 My foote standeth in an euen place: in the congregations will I blesse the LORD.

PSAL. XXVII.

1 Dauid professeth his confidence in God. 4 He desireth to dwell in the Church. 7 He prayeth for deliuerance. 13 He professeth his faith.

A Psalme of Dauid.

THE LORD *is* my light and my saluation: whom shall I feare? the LORD is the strength of my life: of whom shall I be afraid?

2 When the wicked, *euen* mine enemies and my foes came vpon me to eate vp my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host should encampe against me, my heart shall not feare: though warre should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

4 One thing haue I desired of the LORD, which I will require, *euen* that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the dayes of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to visite his Temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pauilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me, he shall set me vp vpon a rocke.

6 And now shall mine head be lifted vp aboue mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of ioy: I will sing, yea, I will sing praises vnto the LORD.

7 Heare, LORD, *when* I cry with my voyce: haue mercy also vpon me, and answere me.

8 When thou saidst, Seeke ye my face: my heart said vnto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seeke.

9 Hide not thy face from me: put not thy seruant away in displeasure: thou hast been my helper: leaue me not, neither forsake me, O God of my saluation.

10 When my father and my mother forsake me: then the LORD will take me vp.

11 Teach me thy way, O LORD: and lead me in a plaine path, because of mine enemies.

12 Deliuer me not ouer vnto the will of mine aduersaries: for false witnesses are risen vp against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

13 I had fainted, vnlesse I had beleeued to see the goodnesse of the LORD in the land of the liuing.

14 Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

o I was cast vpon thee from the wombe: thou
my God from my mothers belly.
11 Be not farre from me, for trouble is neere: for
ere is † none to helpe.
12 Many bulls haue compassed mee: strong bulls
Bashan haue beset me round.
13 They † gape vpon me with their mouths, as
ravening and a roaring lyon.
14 I am powred out like water, and all my bones
e out of ioynt: my heart is like waxe: it is melt-
in the midst of my bowels.
15 My strength is dryed vp like a pot-sherd: and
y tongue cleaueth to my iawes: and thou hast
ought me into the dust of death.
16 For dogs haue compassed me: the assembly
the wicked haue inclosed me: they * pierced my
nds and my feet.
17 I may tell all my bones: they looke and stare
pon mee.
18 They part my garments among them, and cast
ts vpon my vesture.
19 But be not thou farre from me, O LORD: O my
engh, haste thee to helpe me.
20 Deliuer my soule from the sword: † my dar-
g from the power of the dog.
21 Saue me from the lyons mouth: for thou hast
ard me from the hornes of the Vnicornes.
22 * I will declare thy Name vnto my brethren:
the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
23 Ye that feare the LORD praise him: all ye the
ed of Iacob glorifie him, and feare him all ye the
ed of Israel.
24 For he hath not † despised, nor abhorred the af-
ction of the afflicted: neither hath he hid his face
m him: but when he cryed vnto him he heard.
25 My praise shall be of thee in ‖ the great congregati-
n: I will pay my vowes before them that feare him.
26 The meeke shall eat and be satisfied: they shall
se the LORD that seeke him: your heart shall
ue for euer.
27 * All the ends of the world shall remember
emselues vnto the LORD: and all the kindreds of
e nations shall worship before thee.
28 For the kingdome is the LORDS: and hee is
e gouernour among the nations.
29 All they that be fat vpon earth shall eat and
orship: all they ‖ that goe downe to the dust, shall bow
fore him: and none can keepe aliue his owne soule.
30 A seed shall serue him: it shalbe accounted to
e Lord for a generation.
31 They shall come, and shall declare his righte-
usnesse vnto a people that shall be borne, that hee
th done this.

PSAL. XXIII.

Dauids confidence in Gods grace.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

1 The LORD is my * shepherd: I shall not want.
2 Hee maketh me to lie downe in † greene
stures: he leadeth me beside the † still waters.
3 He restoreth my soule: hee leadeth me in the
ths of righteousnesse for his Names sake.
4 Yea though I walke through the valley of the
adow of death, I will feare none euill: for thou
t with me, thy rod and thy staffe, they comfort me.
5 Thou preparest a table before me: in the pre-
nce of mine enemies: thou † annointest my head
th oyle, my cup runneth ouer.
6 Surely goodnesse and mercy shall follow mee
l the dayes of my life: and I will dwell in the
use of the LORD † for euer.

PSAL. XXIIII.

1 Gods Lordship in the world. 3 The citizens of his spirituall kingdome. 7 An exhortation to receiue him.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

1 * The earth is the LORDS, and the fulnesse thereof: the world, and they that dwell therein.
2 * For he hath founded it vpon the Seas: and established it vpon the floods.
3 * Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? and who shall stand in his holy place?
4 * ‖ He that hath cleane hands and a pure heart: who hath not lift vp his soule vnto vanity, nor sworne deceitfully.
5 He shall receiue the blessing from the LORD, and righteousnesse from the God of his saluation.
6 This is the generation of them that seeke him: that seeke thy face, ‖ O Iacob. Selah.
7 Lift vp your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift vp ye euerlasting doores, and the King of glory shall come in.
8 Who is this King of glory? the LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battell.
9 Lift vp your heads, O ye gates, euen lift them vp ye euerlasting doores, and the King of glory shall come in.
10 Who is this King of glory? the LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

PSAL. XXV.

1 Dauids confidence in prayer. 7 Hee prayeth for remission of sinnes, 16 and for helpe in affliction.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

1 VNto thee O LORD, doe I lift vp my soule.
2 O my God, I * trust in thee, let me not be ashamed: let not mine enemies triumph ouer me.
3 * Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgresse without cause.
4 * Shew me thy wayes, O LORD, teach me thy pathes.
5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my saluation, on thee doe I wait all the day.
6 * Remember, O LORD, † thy tender mercies, and thy louing kindnesses: for they haue been euer of olde.
7 Remember not the sinnes of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodnesse sake, O LORD.
8 Good and vpright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
9 The meeke will hee guid in iudgement: and the meeke will he teach his way.
10 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth: vnto such as keepe his Couenant, and his Testimonies.
11 For thy Names sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity: for it is great.
12 What man is he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way that he shall chuse.
13 His soule † shall dwell at ease, and his seed shall inherit the earth.
14 * The secret of the LORD is with them that feare him: ‖ and he will shew them his Couenant.
15 Mine eies are euer towards the LORD: for he shall † plucke my feet out of the net.
16 Turne thee vnto me, and haue mercy vpon me: for I am desolate and afflicted.
17 The troubles of mine heart are inlarged: O bring thou me out of my distresses.
18 Looke vpon mine affliction, and my paine, and forgiue all my sinnes.

19 Con-

* Deut. 10.14. Iob 41.2 Psal 50.12. 1. cor 10.26
* Iob 38.6. Psa. 104.5. & 136.6.
* Psa. 15.1
† Esay 33.
15, 16. † Hebr. the cleane of hands. ‖ Or, O God of Iacob.
* Psal. 22. 5. & 31.2. & 34.9.
* Esay 28. 16. Rom. 10.11.
* Psal. 27. 11. & 86. 11. & 119. * Psal. 103 17 & 106. 1. & 107.1 Ier 33.3. † Heb. the bowels.
† Hebr. shal lodge in goodnes
* Prou. 3.32.
‖ Or, and his couenant to make them know it.
† Hebr. bring forth.

* Psal. 37. 9. 11. 22. 34. Matth. 5. 5. † Hebr. to length of dayes.

19 Conſider mine enemies: for they are many, and they hate me with †cruell hatred.

†Hebr. hatred of violence.

20 O keepe my ſoule and deliuer me: let me not be aſhamed, for I put my truſt in thee.

21 Let integrity and vprightneſſe preſerue me: for I wait on thee.

22 Redeeme Iſrael, O God, out of all his troubles.

PSAL. XXVI.

Dauid reſorteth vnto God, in confidence of his integrity.

¶ *A Pſalme* of Dauid.

IVdge me, O LORD, for I haue walked in mine integrity: I haue truſted alſo in the LORD: *therefore* I ſhall not ſlide.

2 *Examine me, O LORD, and proue me; try my reines and my heart.

*Pſal. 7.10.

3 For thy louing kindneſſe *is* before mine eyes: and I haue walked in thy truth.

4 *I haue not ſate with vaine perſons, neither will I goe in with diſſemblers.

*Pſal. 1.1.

5 I haue hated the congregation of euill doers: and will not ſit with the wicked.

6 I will waſh my hands in innocency: ſo will I compaſſe thine Altar, O LORD:

7 That I may publiſh with the voyce of thankſgiuing, and tell of all thy wonderous workes.

8 LORD I haue loued the habitation of thy houſe and the place †where thine honour dwelleth.

†Hebr. of the Tabernacle of thy honour.

9 ‖ Gather not my ſoule with ſinners, nor my life with †bloody men.

‖Or, take not away †Hebr. warn of blood.

10 In whoſe hands *is* miſchiefe: and their right hand is †full of bribes.

†Heb. filled with.

11 But as for me, I will walke in mine integrity: redeeme me, and be mercifull vnto me.

12 My foot ſtandeth in an euen place: in the congregations will I bleſſe the LORD.

PSAL. XXVII.

Dauid ſuſtaineth his faith by the power of God, 4 by his loue to the ſeruice of God 9 by prayer.

¶ *A Pſalme* of Dauid.

THe LORD *is* my light and my ſaluation, whom ſhall I feare? *the LORD *is* the ſtrength of my life, of whom ſhall I be afraid?

*Pſal. 118. 6. mic. 7.8

2 When the wicked, *euen* mine enemies and my foes †came vpon me to eate vp my fleſh, they ſtumbled and fell.

†Hebr. approched against me

3 *Though an hoſte ſhould encampe againſt me, my heart ſhall not feare: though warre ſhould riſe againſt me, in this will I be confident.

*Pſal. 3.6.

4 One thing haue I deſired of the LORD, that will I ſeeke after: that I may dwell in the houſe of the LORD all the dayes of my life, to behold ‖ the beauty of the LORD, & to enquire in his Temple.

‖Or, the delight. †Heb. of ſhouting.

5 For in the time of trouble he ſhall hide me in his pauilion: in the ſecret of his Tabernacle ſhall he hide me, he ſhall ſet me vp vpon a rocke.

6 And now ſhall mine head be lifted vp aboue mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his Tabernacle ſacrifices †of ioy, I will ſing, yea, I will ſing praiſes vnto the LORD.

‖Or, my heart ſaid vnto thee, let my face ſeeke thy face, &c. †Hebr. will gather me.

7 Heare, O LORD, *when* I cry with my voice: haue mercy alſo vpon me, and anſwere me.

*Pſ. 25.4 & 86.11 & 119.

8 ‖ *When thou ſaideſt*, Seeke yee my face, my heart ſaid vnto thee, Thy face LORD will I ſeeke.

9 Hide not thy face ſtarre from me, put not thy ſeruant away in anger: thou haſt bin my helpe, leaue me not neither forſake me, O God of my ſaluation.

10 When my father and my mother forſake me, then the LORD †will take me vp.

†Hebr. will gather me vp.

11 *Teach me thy way O LORD, and leade mee in a †plaine path, becauſe of mine ‖enemies.

*Pſal. 86.11

†Hebr. of plainneſſe ‖Hebr. thoſe which obſerue me.

12 Deliuer me not ouer vnto the will of mine enemies: for falſe witneſſes are riſen vp againſt me, and ſuch as breathe out cruelty.

13 *I had fainted* vnleſſe I had beleeued, to ſee the goodneſſe of the LORD in the land of the liuing.

14 *Wait on the LORD, be of good courage, and hee ſhall ſtrengthen thine heart: wait, I ſay, on the LORD.

*PSAL. XXVIII.

Dauid prayeth earneſtly againſt his enemies, 6 He bleſſeth God. 9 He prayeth for the people.

¶ *A Pſalme* of Dauid.

VNto thee will I cry, O LORD, my rocke, be not ſilent to me: leſt if thou be ſilent † to me, I become like them that goe downe into the pit.

†Hebr. from me.

2 Heare the voice of my ſupplications, when I cry vnto thee: when I lift vp my hands † toward thy holy Oracle.

†Hebr. in lifting vp my hands

3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity: *which ſpeake peace to their neighbours, but miſchiefe *is* in their hearts.

4 Giue them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedneſſe of their endeuours: giue them after the worke of their hands, render them their deſert.

5 Becauſe they regarde not the workes of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands, he ſhall deſtroy them, and not build them vp.

6 Bleſſed *be* the LORD, becauſe he hath heard the voyce of my ſupplications.

7 The LORD *is* my ſtrength, and my ſhield, my heart truſted in him, and I am holpen: therefore my heart greatly reioyceth, and with my ſong will I praiſe him.

8 The LORD *is* their ſtrength, and he *is* the † ſauing ſtrength of his anointed.

†Hebr. ſaluations

9 Saue thy people, and bleſſe thine inheritance: ‖ feed them alſo, and lift them vp for euer.

‖Or, gouerne them.

PSAL. XXIX.

Dauid exhorteth Princes to the glory of God, 3 by reaſon of his power, 11 and proſperity of his people.

¶ A Pſalme of Dauid.

GIue vnto the LORD, (O † ye mighty) giue vnto the LORD glory and ſtrength.

†Hebr. ye ſons of the mighty

2 Giue vnto the LORD † the glory due vnto his Name: worſhip the LORD ‖ in the beauty of holineſſe.

†Hebr. the glory of his Name ‖Or, at the beautifull entrance.

3 The voyce of the LORD *is* vpon the waters: the God of glory thundereth, the LORD *is* vpon ‖ many waters.

‖Or, great waters.

4 The voyce of the LORD *is* † powerfull: the voyce of the LORD *is* full of Maieſtie.

†Hebr. with power

5 The voyce of the LORD breaketh the Cedars, yea, the LORD breaketh the Cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them alſo to ſkippe like a calfe: Lebanon and *Sirion like a young Vnicorne.

*Deut. 3.9

7 The voyce of the LORD † diuideth the flames of fire.

†Hebr. heweth

8 The voyce of the LORD ſhaketh the wilderneſſe: the LORD ſhaketh the wilderneſſe of Kadeſh.

9 The voyce of the LORD maketh the Hindes calue, and diſcouereth the forreſts: and in his Temple doeth ‖ euery one ſpeake of his glory.

‖Or, ſay.

10 The LORD ſitteth vpon the flood, yea, the LORD ſitteth King for euer.

11 The LORD will giue ſtrength vnto his people: the LORD will bleſſe his people with peace.

PSAL. XXX.

Dauid praiſeth God for his deliuerance, 4 exhorteth others to praiſe him, by example of his dealing with him.

A Psalme and song, at the dedication of the house of Dauid.

I will exalt thee, O LORD, for thou hast lifted me vp, and hast not made my foes to reioyce ouer me.

2 O LORD my God, I cryed vnto thee, and thou hast healed me.

3 O LORD thou hast brought vp my soule from the graue: thou hast kept me aliue, that I should not goe downe to the pit.

4 Sing vnto the LORD, (O ye Saints of his) and giue thankes † at the remembrance of his holines.

5 For his angre *endureth* but a moment, in his fauour is life: weeping may endure † for a night, but ioy *commeth* in the morning.

6 And in my †prosperity I said, I shall neuer be moued.

7 LORD, by thy fauour thou hast † made my mountaine to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.

8 I cryed to thee, O LORD: and vnto the LORD I made supplication.

9 What profit *is there* in my blood when I goe downe to the pit? *shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?

10 Heare, O LORD, and haue mercy vpon me: LORD be thou my helper.

11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladnesse:

12 To the end that *my* glory may sing praise to thee and not be silent, O LORD my God, I will giue thankes vnto thee for euer.

PSAL. XXXI.

Dauid shewing his confidence in God, craueth aide. 7 He reioyceth in his mercy. 9 He prayeth in his calamity. 19 Hee praiseth God for his helpe.

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

1 In thee, O LORD, doe I put my trust, let me neuer be ashamed: deliuer me in thy righteousnesse.

2 Bow downe thine eare to me, deliuer me speedily: be thou † my strong rocke, for an house of defence to saue me.

3 For thou *art* my rocke and my fortresse, therefore for thy Names sake, leade me and guide me.

4 Pull me out of the net that they haue laid priuily for me: for thou *art* my strength.

5 * Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

6 I haue hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD.

7 I will be glad and reioyce in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast knowne my soule in aduersities;

8 And hast not shut me vp into the hand of the enemie: thou hast set my feet in a large roome.

9 Haue mercy vpon me, O LORD, for I am in distresse: mine eye is consumed with griefe, *yea*, my soule and my belly.

10 For my life is spent with griefe, and my yeres with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

11 I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a feare to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without, fled from me.

12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of minde; I am as a † broken vessell.

13 For I haue heard the slander of many, feare on euery side, while they tooke counsell together against me, they deuised to take away my life.

14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my God.

15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliuer mee from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

16 Make thy face to shine vpon thy seruant: saue me for thy mercies sake.

17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD, for I haue called vpon thee: let the wicked be ashamed, *and* let them be silent in the graue.

18 Let the lying lips be put to silence: which speake † grieuous things, proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.

19 * O how great is thy goodnesse, which thou hast laid vp for them that feare thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee, before the sonnes of men!

20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keepe them secretly in a pauilion, from the strife of tongues.

21 Blessed *be* the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marueilous kindnesse in a strong city.

22 For I said in my haste I am cut off from before thine eyes: Neuertheless, thou heardest the voyce of my supplications, when I cryed vnto thee.

23 O loue the LORD, all yee his Saints: *for* the LORD preserueth the faithfull, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.

24 * Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart: all ye that hope in the LORD.

PSAL. XXXII.

1 Blessednesse consisteth in remission of sinnes. 3 Confession of sinnes giueth ease to the conscience. 8 Gods promises bring ioy.

1 ¶ A Psalme of Dauid, Maschil.

BLessed *is he whose* transgression is forgiuen *whose* sinne is couered.

2 Blessed *is* the man vnto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity: and in whose spirit *there is* no guile.

3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

4 For day and night thy hand was heauy vpon me: my moysture is turned into the drought of Summer. Selah.

5 I acknowledged my sinne vnto thee, and mine iniquity haue I not hid: * I said, I will confesse my transgressions vnto the LORD, and thou forgauest the iniquity of my sinne. Selah.

6 For this shall euery one that is godly pray vnto thee, † in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh vnto him.

7 * Thou *art* my hiding place, thou shalt preserue me from trouble: thou shalt compasse mee about with songs of deliuerance. Selah.

8 I will instruct thee, and teach thee in the way which thou shalt goe: † I will guide thee with mine eye.

9 * Be ye not as the horse *or* as the mule, *which* haue no vnderstanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come neere vnto thee.

10 Many sorrowes *shall be* to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compasse him about.

11 Be glad in the LORD, & reioyce ye righteous: and shout for ioy, all ye that are vpright in heart.

PSAL. XXXIII.

1 God is to be praised for his goodnesse. 6 for his power. 12 and for his prouidence. 20 Confidence is to be placed in God.

Reioyce

[Or, A Psalme of Dauid, giuing instruction.

[Or, let them be cut off for the graue.

† Heb. a hard thing.

* Esa. 64.6 1 Cor. 2.9.

[Or, fenced city

* Psa. 27.14

* Prou. 28.13. Isa. 65.24. 1 Ioh. 1.9

† Heb. in a time of finding

* Psa. 9.10

† Heb. I will counsell thee, mine eye shall be vpon thee.

* Prou. 26.3.

REioyce in the LORD, O ye righteous: *for* praise is comely for the vpright.

2 Praise the LORD with harpe: sing vnto him with the Psaltery, *and* an instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing vnto him a new song: play skilfully with a loud noise.

4 For the word of the LORD *is* right: and all his workes are *done* in truth.

*Psal. 119.64. ‖Or, mercy.

5 *He loueth righteousnesse and iudgement: the earth is full of the ‖goodnesse of the LORD.

*Gen.1. 6,& 7.

6 *By the word of the LORD were the heauens made: and all the host of them, by the breadth of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the Sea together, as an heape: he layeth vp the depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth feare the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was done: he commanded and it stood fast.

*Esay. 19.3. †Hebr. maketh frustrate.

10 *The LORD †bringeth the counsell of the heathen to nought: hee maketh the deuices of the people of none effect.

*Pr.19.21 Isa.46.10 †Hebr. to one generation, and generation

11 *The counsell of the LORD standeth for euer: the thoughts of his heart †to all generations.

12 *Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* the LORD: *and* the people, *whom* he hath chosen for his owne inheritance.

*Ps.65.4. & 144.15.

13 The LORD looketh from heauen: he beholdeth all the sonnes of men.

14 From the place of his habitation, he looketh vpon all the inhabitants of the earth.

15 He fashioneth their hearts alike: he considereth all their workes.

16 There is no King saued by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not deliuered by much strength.

17 An horse *is* a vaine thing for safety: neither shall he deliuer *any* by his great strength.

*Iob.36.7 & 34.14. ‖Psa.33,18

18 *Behold, the eye of the LORD *is* vpon them that feare him: vpon them that hope in his mercy:

19 To deliuer their soule from death, and to keepe them alive in famine.

20 Our soule waiteth for the LORD: he *is* our helpe and our shield.

21 For our heart shall reioyce in him: because we haue trusted in his holy Name.

22 Let thy mercy (O LORD) be vpon vs: according as we hope in thee.

PSAL. XXXIIII.

**Dauid praiseth God and exhorteth others thereto by his experience. 8 They are blessed that trust in God. 11 He exhorteth to the feare of God. 15 The priuiledges of the righteous.*

A *Psalme* of Dauid, when *he* changed his behauiour before ‖Abimelech: who droue him away and he departed.

‖Or, Achish, 1 Sam. 21.13.

I Will blesse the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth.

2 My soule shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall heare *thereof*, and be glad.

3 O magnifie the LORD with me, and let vs exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and deliuered me from all my feares.

‖Or, they flowed vnto him.

5 ‖They looked vnto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not asshamed.

6 This poore man cryed, and the LORD heard *him*; and saued him out of all his troubles.

7 The Angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that feare him, and deliuereth them.

8 O taste and see that the LORD *is* good, blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

9 O feare the LORD ye his Saints: for *there is* no want to them that feare him.

10 The young lyons doe lacke and suffer hunger: but they that seeke the LORD, shall not want any good thing.

11 Come ye children, hearken vnto me: I will teach you the feare of the LORD.

12 *What man is he that desireth life, and loueth many dayes, that he may see good?

13 Keepe thy tongue from euill, and thy lips from speaking guile.

14 Depart from euill, and doe good: seeke peace and pursue it.

15 *The eies of the LORD *are* vpon the righteous: and his eares *are open* vnto their cry.

16 The face of the LORD *is* against them that doe euill; to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 *The righteous* cry, and the LORD heareth: and deliuereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The LORD *is* nigh † vnto them that are of a broken heart: and saueth such as be of a contrite spirit.

19 Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD deliuereth him out of them all.

20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

21 Euill shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous ‖ shall be desolate.

22 The LORD redeemeth the soule of his seruants: and none of them that trust in him ‖ shall be desolate.

PSAL. XXXV.

1 Dauid prayeth for his owne safety, and his enemies confusion. 11 He complaineth of their vniust dealing. 22 Thereby he inciteth God to helpe them.

A *Psalme* of Dauid.

PLead *my cause* (O LORD) with them that striue with me: fight against them that fight against me.

2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand vp for mine helpe.

3 Draw out also the speare, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say vnto my soule, I *am* thy saluation.

4 *Let them bee confounded and put to shame that seeke after my soule: let them be turned backward and brought to confusion that deuise my hurt.

5 *Let them bee as chaffe before the wind: and let the Angel of the LORD chase them.

6 Let their way be † darke and slippery, and let the Angel of the LORD persecute them.

7 For without cause haue they hid for me their net in a pit, which without cause they haue digged for my soule.

8 Let destruction come vpon him † at vnwares: and let his net that he hath hid, catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.

9 And my soule shall be ioyfull in the LORD: it shall reioyce in his saluation.

10 All my bones shall say, LORD, who is like vnto thee, which deliuerest the poore from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poore and the needy from him that spoileth him?

11 † False witnesses did rise vp: † they laid to my charge things that I knew not.

12 They rewarded me euill for good, to the † spoyling of my soule.

13 But as for me, when they were sicke, my clothing was sackcloth: I ‖ humbled my soule with fasting, and my prayer returned into mine owne bosome.

† behaued my selfe as though *hee had beene* friend or brother: I bowed downe heauily, as that mourneth *for his* mother.

But in mine † aduersity they reioyced, and gathered themselues together: *yea*, the abiects gathered themselues together against me and I knew it not, they did teare *me*, and ceased not,

With hypocriticall mockers in feasts: they gnashed vpon me with their teeth.

Lord, how long wilt thou looke on? rescue my soule from their destructions, † my darling from the lions.

I will giue thee thankes in the great Congregation: I will praise thee among † much people,

Let not them that are mine enemies, † wrongfully ouer mee: *neither* let them winke with the eye, that hate me without a cause.

For they speake not peace: but they deuise deceitfull matters against them ỹ are quiet in ỹ land.

Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, and said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seene it.

This thou hast seene (O LORD) keepe not silence: O Lord, be not farre from me.

Stirre vp thy selfe, and awake to my iudgement, vnto my cause, my God and my Lord.

Iudge me, O LORD my God, according to thy righteousnesse, and let them not reioyce ouer me.

Let them not say in their hearts, † Ah, so would we haue it: let them not say, We haue swallowed him vp.

Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together, that reioyce at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonour, that magnifie themselues against me.

Let them shout for ioy, and be glad that fauour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his seruant.

And my tongue shall speake of thy righteousnesse and of thy praise all the day long.

PSAL. XXXVI.

The grieuous estate of the wicked. 5 *The excellency of Gods mercy.* 10 *Dauid prayeth for fauour to continue.*

To the chiefe Musician. *A Psalme* of Dauid the seruant of the LORD.

The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, *that there is* no feare of God before his eyes.

For he flattereth himselfe in his owne eyes, vntil his iniquity be found to be hatefull.

The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and deceit: he hath left off to be wise, *and* to doe good.

He deuiseth † mischiefe vpon his bed, he setteth himselfe in a way *that is* not good, hee abhorreth not euill.

Thy mercy (O LORD) *is* in the heauens: *and* thy faithfulnesse *reacheth* vnto the clouds.

Thy righteousnesse *is* like † the great mountaines, thy iudgements *are* a great deepe: O LORD, thou preseruest man and beast.

How † excellent *is* thy louing kindnesse, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust vnder the shadow of thy wings.

They shall be † abundantly satisfied with the fatnesse of thy house: and thou shalt make them drinke of the riuer of thy pleasures.

For with thee *is* the fountaine of life: in thy light shall wee see light.

O † continue thy louing kindnesse vnto them that know thee; and thy righteousnesse to the vpright in heart.

Let not the foote of pride come against mee: and let not the hand of the wicked remoue me.

There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast downe, and shall not be able to rise.

PSAL. XXXVII.

Dauid perswadeth to patience and confidence in God, by the different estate of the godly and the wicked.

¶ *A Psalme* of Dauid.

FRet * not thy selfe because of euill doers, neither be thou enuious against the workers of iniquity.

For they shall soone bee cut downe like the grasse, and wither as the greene herbe.

Trust in the LORD, and do good: *so* shalt thou dwell in the land, and † verely thou shalt be fed.

Delight thy selfe also in the LORD, and he shall giue thee the desires of thine heart.

† * Commit thy way vnto the LORD: trust also in him, and he shall bring *it* to passe.

And he shall bring forth thy righteousnesse as the light, and thy iudgement as the noone day.

† Rest in the LORD, and waite patiently for him: fret not thy selfe because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked deuices to passe.

Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thy selfe in any wise to doe euill.

For euill doers shall be cut off: but those that wait vpon the LORD, they shall inherite the earth.

For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not *be*: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be*.

But the meeke shall inherite the earth: and shal delight themselues in the abundance of peace.

The wicked ‖ plotteth against the iust, and gnasheth vpon him with his teeth.

* The Lord shall laugh at him: for hee seeth that his day is comming.

The wicked haue drawne out the sword, and haue bent their bow to cast downe the poore and needy, *and* to slay † such as be of vpright conuersation.

Their sword shall enter into their owne heart, and their bowes shall be broken.

A little that a righteous man *hath*, *is* better then the riches of many wicked.

For the armes of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD vpholdeth the righteous.

The LORD knoweth the dayes of the vpright: and their inheritance shall be for euer.

They shall not be ashamed in the euill time: and in the dayes of famine they shall be satisfied.

But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD *shall be* as † the fat of lambs: they shall consume: into smoke shall they consume away.

The wicked borroweth, & payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giueth.

For such as bee blessed of him, shall inherite the earth: and they that be cursed of him, shall be cut off.

The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.

Though he fall, he shall not bee vtterly cast downe: for the LORD vpholdeth *him* with his hand.

I haue beene young, and now am old: yet haue I not seene the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

He is † euer mercifull, and lendeth: and his seed is blessed.

Depart from euill, and doe good: and dwell for euermore.

For the LORD loueth iudgement, and forsaketh

* Prou. 23.17. & 24.1.

† *Heb. in truth and stablenes.*

† *Heb. roll thy way*

* *vpon the Lord.*

* Psal. 37.1. Prou. 3.5. & 16.

† *Heb. be silent to the LORD.*

* Mat. 5.5

‖ *Or, practiseth.*

* Psal. 2.4.

† *Heb. the vpright of way.*

† *Heb. the precious wooll of lambs.*

† *Or, eternally blessed.*

† *Heb. all the day.*

taketh not his Saints, they are preserued for euer: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

29 The righteous shall inherite the land; and dwell therein for euer.

30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisedome, and his tongue talketh of iudgement.

31 The Law of his God is in his heart: none of his † steps shall slide.

32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

33 The LORD will not leaue him in his hand, nor condemne him when he is iudged.

34 Waite on the LORD, and keepe his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherite the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.

35 I haue seene the wicked in great power: and spreading himselfe like † a greene bay tree.

36 Yet he passed away, and loe he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

37 Marke the perfect man, and behold the vpright: for the end of *that* man is peace.

38 But the transgressours shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

39 But the saluation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: he *is* their strength in the time of trouble.

40 And the LORD shall helpe them and deliuer them: he shall deliuer them from the wicked, and saue them, because they trust in him.

PSAL. XXXVIII.

Dauid moueth God to take compassion of his pitifull case.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid to bring to remembrance.

O LORD rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hote displeasure.

2 For thine arrowes sticke fast in me: and thy hand presseth me sore.

3 *There is* no soundnesse in my flesh, because of thine anger: neither *is there* any † rest in my bones, because of my sinne.

4 For mine iniquities are gone ouer mine head: as an heauy burden they are too heauy for me.

5 My wounds stinke, *and* are corrupt: because of my foolishnesse.

6 I am † troubled, I am bowed downe greatly; I goe mourning all the day long.

7 For my loynes are filled with a loathsome disease: and *there is* no soundnesse in my flesh.

8 I am feeble and sore broken: I haue roared by reason of the disquietnesse of my heart.

9 Lord, all my desire is before thee: and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10 My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes it also † is gone from me.

11 My louers and my friends stand aloofe from my † sore: and † my kinsemen stand afarre off.

12 They also that seeke after my life, lay snares *for me*: and they that seeke my hurt, speake mischieuous things, & imagine deceits all the day long.

13 But I, as a deafe man, heard not, and † *was* as a dumbe man *that* openeth not his mouth.

14 Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofes.

15 For in thee, O LORD, doe I hope: thou wilt heare, O Lord, my God.

16 For I said, *Heare me*, lest *otherwise* they should reioyce ouer me: when my foot slippeth, they magnifie themselues against me.

17 For I am ready † to halt, and my sorrow *is* continually before me.

18 For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sinne,

19 But mine enemies † *are* liuely, and they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

20 They also that render euill for good, are mine aduersaries, because I follow the thing † that good is.

21 Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not farre from me.

22 Make haste † to helpe me, O Lord, my saluation.

PSAL. XXXIX.

1 *Dauid is aware of his thoughts: 4 Throughout the vanitie and vnstedfastnesse of life: 7 To the reuerence of Gods iudgements, 10 and prayer, with bridles of impatience.*

¶ To the chiefe Musician, *euen* to Ieduthun, A Psalme of Dauid.

I Said, I will take heed to my waies, that I sinne not with my tongue: I will keepe † my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.

2 I was dumbe with silence, I held my peace, *euen* from good, and my sorrow was † stirred.

3 My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned: *then* spake I with my tongue,

4 LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my dayes, what it is: that I may know how fraile I am.

5 Behold, thou hast made my dayes as an handbreadth, and mine age is as nothing before thee: verely euery man † at his best state *is* altogether vanity. Selah.

6 Surely euery man walketh † in a vaine shew: surely they are disquieted in vaine: he heapeth vp riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.

7 And now Lord, what wait I for? my hope *is* in thee.

8 Deliuer me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproch of the foolish.

9 I was dumbe, I opened not my mouth; because thou diddest *it*.

10 Remoue thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the † blow of thy hand.

11 When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest † his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely euery man *is* vanity. Selah.

12 Heare my prayer, O LORD, and giue eare vnto my cry, hold not thy peace at my teares: for I *am* a stranger with thee, *and a* sojourner, as all my Fathers *were*.

13 O spare me, that I may recouer strength, before I goe hence, and be no more.

PSAL. XL.

1 *To beleeue of confidence in God. 6 Obedience the best sacrifice. 11 The ioyce of Dauid in that which he prayeth.*

¶ To the chiefe Musician, A Psalme of Dauid.

I † Waited patiently for the LORD, and he inclined vnto me, and heard my cry.

2 He brought me vp also out of † an horrible pit, out of the myrie clay, and set my feet vpon a rocke, *and* established my goings.

3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, *euen* praise vnto our God: many shall see *it*, and feare, and shall trust in the LORD.

4 Blessed *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turne aside to lies.

5 Many, O LORD my God, *are* thy wonderous workes *which* thou hast done, and thy thoughts *which are* to vs ward: † they cannot be reckoned

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8 is 2. vers. 23

† Hebr. *goings*.

† Hebr. *I was not with me*. † Hebr. *I broke*. † Or, *my neighbors*

† Hebr. *wyed*.

† Hebr. *peace, or health*.

† Hebr. *troubled*.

† Hebr. *I was as one that heareth not, and as one that openeth not his mouth*.

† Or, *that I may cease*. † Hebr. *I wait for*. † Or, *answere*. † Hebr. *for halting*.

a 2 b 2 Or, a tree, 4. 16 ver. 6. 39. 1 that groweth in his own soyle.

in order vnto thee: if I would declare and
ke of them, they are moe then can be numbred.
6 *Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire,
ne eares hast thou † opened: burnt offering and
n offering hast thou not required.
7 Then said I, Loe, I come: in the volume of
e booke it is written of me:
8 I delight to doe thy will, O my God: yea, thy
w is † within my heart.
9 I haue preached righteousnesse in the great
ngregation: loe, I haue not refrained my lips,
LORD, thou knowest.
10 I haue not hid thy righteousnesse within my
art: I haue declared thy faithfulnesse and thy
nation: I haue not concealed thy louing kind-
ss, and thy truth from the great Congregation.
11 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from
e, O LORD: let thy louing kindnesse and thy
th continually preserue me.
12 For innumerable euils haue compassed me
about: mine iniquities haue taken hold vpon me, so
at I am not able to looke vp: they are moe then
e haires of my head: therefore my heart † faileth me.
13 Be pleased, O LORD, to deliuer me: O LORD
ke haste to helpe me.
14 *Let them be ashamed & confounded together
at seeke after my soule to destroy it: let them be
rned backward & put to shame that wish me euil.
15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their
ame, that say vnto me, Aha, aha!
16 Let all those that seeke thee, reioyce and be
ad in thee: let such as loue thy saluation, say
ntinually, The LORD be magnified.
17 But I *am* poore and needy, *yet* the Lord
eketh vpon me: thou *art* my helpe and my
liuerer, make no tarrying, O my God.

PSAL. XLI.

Gods care of the poore. 4 *Dauid complaineth of enemies treachery.* 10 *Hee flieth to God for fauor.*

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

1 Blessed *is* hee that considereth ‖ the poore: the
LORD will deliuer him † in time of trouble.
2 The LORD will preserue him, & keepe him a-
liue, & he shall be blessed vpon the earth; and † thou
wilt not deliuer him vnto the will of his enemies.
3 The LORD will strengthen him vpon the bed
of languishing: thou wilt † make all his bed in
his sicknesse.
4 I said, LORD be mercifull vnto me: heale my
soule, for I haue sinned against thee.
5 Mine enemies speake euill of me: when shall
he die, and his name perish?
6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity:
his heart gathereth iniquity to it selfe, *when* he
goeth abroad, he telleth *it*.
7 All that hate me, whisper together against
me: against me doe they deuise † my hurt.
8 An euill disease, *say they*, cleaueth fast vnto
him: and now that he lieth, he shall rise vp no more.
9 * Yea, † mine owne familiar friend in whom
I trusted, *which* did eat of my bread, hath † lift vp
his heele against me.
10 But thou, O LORD, be mercifull vnto me, and
raise me vp, that I may requite them.
11 By this I know that thou fauourest mee: be-
cause mine enemie doth not triumph ouer mee.
12 And as for me, thou vpholdest me in mine in-
tegrity: and settest me before thy face for euer.
13 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, from euer-
lasting and to euerlasting. Amen, and Amen.

PSAL. XLII.

1 *Dauids zeale to come to God in the Temple.* 5 *He encourageth his soule to trust in God.*

To the chiefe Musician, ‖ Maschil, for
the sonnes of Korah.

1 AS the Hart † panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soule after thee, O God.
2 My soule thirsteth for God, for the liuing God: when shall I come and appeare before God?
3 * My teares haue beene my meat day and night, while they continually say vnto me, Where *is* thy God?
4 When I remember these things, I powre out my soule in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God; with the voyce of ioy and praise, with a multitude *that* kept holy day.
5 Why art thou † cast downe, O my soule, and *why* art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God, for I shall yet ‖ praise him *for* the helpe of his countenance.
6 O my God, my soule is cast downe within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Iordan, and of the Hermonites, from the ‖ hill Mizar.
7 Deepe calleth vnto deepe at the noise of thy water spouts: all thy waues and thy billowes are gone ouer me.
8 Yet the LORD will command his louing kindnesse in the day time, and in the night his song *shall be* with me, *and* my prayer vnto the God of my life.
9 I will say vnto God, My rocke, Why hast thou forgotten me? why goe I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?
10 As with a † sword in my bones, mine enemies reproch me: while they say daily vnto me, Where *is* thy God?
11 Why art thou cast downe, O my soule? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.

PSAL. XLIII.

1 *Dauid praying to be restored to the Temple, promiseth to serue God iojfully.* 5 *He encourageth his soule to trust in God.*

IVdge me, O God, and plead my cause against an vngodly nation: O deliuer mee † from the deceitfull and vniust man.
2 For thou *art* the God of my strength, why doest thou cast mee off? why goe I mourning, because of the oppression of the enemy?
3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me, let them bring me vnto thy holy hill, and to thy Tabernacles.
4 Then will I goe vnto the Altar of God, vnto God, † my exceeding ioy: yea, vpon the harpe will I praise thee, O God, my God.
5 Why art thou cast downe, O my soule? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God, for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my * countenance, and my God.

PSAL. XLIIII.

1 *The Church in memory of former fauours* 9 *complaineth of their present euils,* 17 *professing her integrity:* 24 *She feruently prayeth for succour.*

To the chiefe Musician for the sonnes of Korah.

WE haue heard with our eares, O God, our fathers haue told vs, *what* worke thou diddest in their dayes, in the times of old.
2 *How* thou diddest driue out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; *how* thou diddest afflict the people and cast them out,

3 For

[Or, a Psalme giuing instruction of the sons, &c.
† Heb. bowed downe.
‖ Or, giue thankes.
* Or, his presence is saluation.
(Or, the little hill.
[Or, killing
† Heb. the gladnesse of my ioy.
* Psal. 42. 6. and 11.
[Or, vnmercifull.
† Heb. from a man of deceit & iniquity.

3 For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their owne arme sane them: but thy right hand, and thine arme, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a fauour vnto them.

4 Thou art my King, O God: command deliuerances for Iacob.

5 Through thee will wee push downe our enemies: through thy Name will we tread them vnder, that rise vp against vs.

6 For I will not trust in my bow: neither shall my sword sane mee.

7 But thou hast saued vs from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated vs.

8 In God wee boast all the day long: and praise thy Name for euer. Selah.

9 But thou hast cast off, and put vs to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.

10 Thou makest vs to turne backe from the enemy: and they which hate vs, spoyle for themselues.

†Heb. as sheepe of meate. 11 Thou hast giuen vs like † sheepe appointed for meat: and hast scattered vs among the heathen.

12 Thou sellest thy people † for nought: and doest not increase thy wealth by their price.

†Heb. without riches. 13 * Thou makest vs a reproach to our neighbours: a scorne and a derision to them that are round about vs.

*Ier. 24. 9. 14 * Thou makest vs a by-word among the heathen: a shaking of the head among the people.

15 My confusion is continually before mee, and the shame of my face hath couered mee.

16 For the voyce of him that reproacheth, and blasphemeth: by reason of the enemy and auenger.

17 All this is come vpon vs: yet haue wee not forgotten thee, neither haue wee dealt falsely in thy Conenant.

18 Our heart is not turned backe: neither haue our steps declined from thy way,

Or, goings. 19 Though thou hast sore broken vs in the place of dragons, and couered vs with the shadow of death.

20 If wee haue forgotten the Name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange God:

21 Shall not God search this out? for hee knoweth the secrets of the heart.

*Rom. 8. 36. 22 * Yea, for thy sake are wee killed all the day long: we are counted as sheepe for the slaughter.

23 Awake, why sleepest thou, O LORD? arise, cast vs not off for euer.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face? and forgettest our affliction, and our oppression?

25 For our soule is bowed downe to the dust: our belly cleaueth vnto the earth.

26 Arise † for our helpe: and redeeme vs for thy mercies sake.

† Hebr. a helper for vs.

PSAL. XLV.

1 *The maiesty and grace of Christs Kingdome.* 10 *The duty of the Church, and the benefits thereof.*

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Shoshannim, for the sonnes of Korah, ‖ Maschil: A Song of Loues.

‖Or, of instruction. MY heart † is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I haue made touching the King: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

2 Thou art fairer then the children of men: grace is powred into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for euer.

†Hebr. boyleth, or bubbleth. 3 Gird thy sword vpon thy thigh, O most mighty: with thy glory and thy maiesty.

†Hebr. prosper thou ride thou. 4 And in thy maiesty † ride prosperously, because of truth, and meekenesse, and righteousnesse: and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things,

5 Thine arrowes are sharpe in the heart of the Kings enemies; whereby the people fal vnder thee.

6 * Thy throne (O God) is for euer and euer: the sceptre of thy kingdome is a right sceptre.

7 Thou louest righteousnesse, and hatest wickednesse: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oyle of gladnesse aboue thy fellowes.

8 All thy garments smell of myrrhe, and aloes, and cassia: out of the Iuory palaces, whereby they haue made thee glad.

9 Kings daughters were among thy honourable women: vpon thy right hand did stand the queene in gold of Ophir.

10 Hearken (O daughter) and consider, and incline thine eare: forget also thine owne people, and thy fathers house.

11 So shall the King greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord, and worship thou him.

12 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift, euen the rich among the people shall intreate † thy fauour.

13 The Kings daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold.

14 She shall be brought vnto the King in raiment of needle-worke: the virgins her companions that follow her, shall be brought vnto thee.

15 With gladnesse and reioycing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the Kings palace.

16 In stead of thy fathers, shall be the children whom thou mayest make Princes in all the earth.

17 I will make thy Name to be remembred in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for euer and euer.

PSAL. XLVI.

1 *The confidence which the Church hath in God.* 8 *An exhortation to beholders.*

¶ To the chiefe Musician for the sonnes of Korah. A Song vpon Alamoth.

GOd is our refuge and strength: a very present helpe in trouble.

2 Therefore will not we feare, though the earth be remooued: and though the mountaines be carried into † the midst of the Sea.

3 *Though* the waters thereof roare, and be troubled, *though* the mountaines shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

4 *There is* a riuer, the streames whereof shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the Tabernacles of the most High.

5 God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moued: God shall helpe her, † and that right early.

6 The heathen raged, the kingdomes were moued: he vttered his voyce, the earth melted.

7 The LORD of hosts is with vs: the God of Iacob is † our refuge. Selah.

8 Come, beholde the workes of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

9 Hee maketh warres to cease vnto the end of the earth: he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the speare in sunder, he burneth the chariot in the fire.

10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The LORD of hosts is with vs: the God of Iacob is our refuge. Selah.

PSAL. XLVII.

The nations are exhorted effectually to receiue the Kingdome of Christ.

¶ To the chiefe Musician, A Psalme for the sonnes of Korah.

OClap your hands (all ye people) shout vnto God with the voyce of triumph;

For the LORD most high *is* terrible: hee *is* a great King ouer all the earth.
He shall subdue the people vnder vs, and the nations vnder our feet.
He shall chuse our inheritance for vs; the excellency of Iacob whom he loued. Selah
God is gone vp with a shout: the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises, sing praises vnto our King, sing praises.
For God *is* the King of all the earth: sing ye praises ‖ with vnderstanding.
God reigneth ouer the heathen: God sitteth vpon the throne of his holinesse.
The Princes of the people are gathered together, *even* the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth *belong* vnto God: hee is greatly exalted.

PSAL. XLVIII.

The ornaments and priuiledges of the Church.

¶ A Song *and* Psalme ‖ for the sonnes of Korah.

Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to bee praised in the Citie of our God, in the mountaine of his holinesse.
Beautifull for situation, the ioy of the whole earth *is* mount Sion; *on the* sides of the North, the citie of the great King.
God is knowne in her palaces for a refuge.
For loe, the Kings were assembled: they passed by together.
They saw *it*, *and* so they marueiled, they were troubled, *and* hasted away.
Feare tooke hold vpon them there, *and* paine as a woman in trauaile.
Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an East wind.
As we haue heard, so haue we seene in the citie of the LORD of hostes, in the City of our God, God will establish it for euer. Selah.
We haue thought of thy louing kindnesse, O God, in the midst of thy Temple.
According to thy Name, O God, so *is* thy praise vnto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousnesse.
Let mount Sion reioyce, let the daughters of Iudah be glad because of thy iudgements.
Walke about Sion, and goe round about her: tell the towres thereof.
Marke yee well her bulwarkes, ‖ consider her palaces, that yee may tell *it* to the generation following.
For this God *is* our God for euer and euer: he will be our guide *euen* vnto death.

PSAL. XLIX.

An earnest perswasion, to build the faith of Gods elect not on worldly power, but on God. 16 The prosperity of the wicked is not to be admired.

To the chiefe Musician, a Psalme ‖ for the sonnes of Korah.

Heare this, all ye people, giue eare, all ye inhabitants of the world:
Both low and high, rich and poore together.
My mouth shall speake of wisedome: and the meditation of my heart shall be of vnderstanding.
I will encline mine eare to a parable: I will open my darke saying vpon the harpe.
Wherefore should I feare in the dayes of euill, the iniquity of my heeles shall compasse me about?
They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselues in the multitude of their riches;
None *of them* can by any meanes redeeme *his* brother, nor giue to God a ransome for him:
(For the redemption of their soule *is* precious: and it ceaseth for euer,)
That hee should still liue for euer, *and* not see corruption.
For hee seeth *that* wise men die, likewise the foole and the brutish person perish, and leaue their wealth to others.
Their inward thought *is that* their houses *shall continue* for euer, *and* their dwelling places † to all generations, they call *their* lands after their owne names.
Neuerthelesse, man *being* in honour, abideth not: he is like the beasts *that* perish.
This their way *is* their folly; yet their posterity † approoue their sayings. Selah.
Like sheepe they are laid in the graue, death shall feed on them, and the vpright shall haue dominion ouer them in the morning, and their ‖ beautie shall consume ‖ in the graue from their dwelling.
But God will redeeme my soule † from the power of the ‖ graue, for he shal receiue me. Selah.
Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased.
For when hee dieth, he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him.
Though † whiles he liued, he blessed his soule: and men will praise thee when thou doest well to thy selfe.
Hee shall goe to the generation of his fathers, they shall neuer see light.
Man *that is* in honour and vnderstandeth not, is like the beasts *that* perish.

PSAL. L.

1 The Maiestie of God in the Church. 5 His order to gather Saints. 7 The pleasure of God is not in ceremonies, 14 but in sinceritie of obedience.

¶ A Psalme ‖ of Asaph.

The mighty God, *euen* the LORD hath spoken, and called the earth, from the rising of the Sunne, vnto the going downe thereof.
Out of Sion the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.
Our God shall come, and shall not keepe silence: a fire shall deuoure before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.
Hee shall call to the heauens from aboue, and to the earth, that he may iudge his people.
Gather my Saints together vnto mee: those that haue made a couenant with mee by sacrifice.
And the heauens shall declare his righteousnesse: for God *is* Iudge himselfe. Selah.
Heare, O my people, and I will speake: O Israel, and I will testifie against thee: I am God, *euen* thy God.
I will not reprooue thee for thy sacrifices, or thy burnt offerings *to haue been* continually before me.
I will take no bullocke out of thy house, nor hee-goates out of thy folds.
For euery beast of the forrest *is* mine, *and* the cattell vpon a thousand hils.
I know all the fowles of the mountaines: and the wild beasts of the field *are* † mine.
If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world *is* mine, and the fulnesse thereof.
Will I eat the flesh of bulles, or drinke the blood of goats?
Offer vnto God thanksgiuing, and pay thy vowes vnto the most High.
And call vpon me in the day of trouble, I will deliuer thee, and thou shalt glorifie mee.

16 But vnto the wicked God ſaith, What haſt thou to doe to declare my ſtatures, or that thou ſhouldeſt take my Couenant in thy mouth?

17 *Seeing thou hateſt inſtruction, and caſteſt my words behind thee.

18 When thou ſaweſt a thiefe, then thou conſenteſt with him, and †haſt beene partaker with adulterers.

19 †Thou gineſt thy mouth to euill, and thy tongue frameth deceit.

20 Thou ſitteſt *and* ſpeakeſt againſt thy brother: thou ſlandereſt thine owne mothers ſonne.

21 Theſe things haſt thou done, and I kept ſilence: thou thoughteſt that I was altogether ſuch a one as thy ſelfe: *but* I will reprooue thee, and ſet *them* in order before thine eyes.

22 Now conſider this yee that forget God, leſt I teare *you* in pieces, and *there be* none to deliuer.

23 Whoſe offereth praiſe, glorifieth me: and to him † that ordereth *his* converſation *aright*, will I ſhew the ſaluation of God.

* Rom. 2.21,22.

† Heb. thy portion was with adulterers.

† Hebr. thou ſendeſt.

† Heb. that diſpoſeth his way.

PSAL. LI.

1 Dauid prayeth for remiſſion of ſinnes, wherof hee maketh a deepe confeſſion. 6 Hee prayeth for ſanctification. 16 God delighteth not in ſacrifice, but in ſincerity. 18 He prayeth for the Church.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician, A Pſalme of Dauid, *when Nathan the Prophet came vnto him, after he had gone in to Bathſheba.

*2.Sam. 12.1. & 11.4.

HAue mercy vpon mee, O God, according to thy louing kindnes, according vnto the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out my tranſgreſſions.

2 Waſh mee thoroughly from mine iniquitie, and cleanſe mee from my ſinne.

3 For I acknowledge my tranſgreſſions: and my ſinne is euer before mee.

4 *Againſt thee, thee onely haue I ſinned, and done this euill in thy ſight: that thou mighteſt bee iuſtified when thou ſpeakeſt, *and* bee cleare when thou iudgeſt.

5 Behold, I was ſhapen in iniquity: and in ſinne did my mother † conceiue me.

6 Behold, thou deſireſt trueth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou ſhalt make me to know wiſedome.

7 *Purge me with hyſſope, and I ſhalbe cleane: waſh me, and I ſhalbe whiter then ſnow.

8 Make me to heare ioy and gladneſſe: *that* the bones *which* thou haſt broken may reioyce.

9 Hide thy face from my ſinnes, and blot out all mine iniquities.

10 Create in mee a cleane heart, O God; and renew ‖a right ſpirit within mee.

11 Caſt me not away from thy preſence: and take not thy holy Spirit from mee.

12 Reſtore vnto mee the ioy of thy ſaluation: and vphold me *with thy* free Spirit.

13 *Then* will I teach tranſgreſſors thy wayes, and ſinners ſhalbe conuerted vnto thee.

14 Deliuer me from † blood-guiltineſſe, O God, thou God of my ſaluation: *and* my tongue ſhal ſing aloud of thy righteouſneſſe.

15 O Lord, open thou my lips, and my mouth ſhal ſhew forth thy praiſe.

16 For thou deſireſt not ſacrifice: ‖ elſe would I giue *it*: thou delighteſt not in burnt offering.

17 *The ſacrifices of God *are* a broken ſpirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not deſpiſe.

18 Doe good in thy good pleaſure vnto Sion: build thou the walles of Ieruſalem.

19 Then ſhalt thou be pleaſed with the ſacrifices of righteouſneſſe, with burnt offering, and whole burnt offering: then ſhall they offer bullocks vpon thine Altar.

* Lenit. 14. 6. num. 19,18.

‖ Or, a conſtant ſpirit.

† Hebr. bloods.

‖ Or, that I ſhould giue it.

*Iſa. 57. 15. & 66.2

PSAL. LII.

1 Dauid condemning the ſlanderous pride of Doeg, propheſieth his deſtruction: 6 The righteous ſhall reioyce at it. 8 Dauid vpon his confidence in Gods mercy, giueth thanks.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician, *Maſchil, A Pſalme of Dauid: *when Doeg the Edomite came and told Saul, and ſaid vnto him, Dauid is come to the houſe of Ahimelech.

WHy boaſteſt thou thy ſelfe in miſchiefe, O mighty man? the goodnes of God *endureth* continually.

2 Thy tongue deuiſeth miſchiefes, like a ſharp raſor working deceitfully.

3 Thou loueſt euil more then good, and lying rather then to ſpeake righteouſneſſe. Selah.

4 Thou loueſt all deuouring words, O thou deceitfull tongue.

5 God ſhall likewiſe † deſtroy thee for euer, he ſhall take thee away, and plucke thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the liuing. Selah.

6 The righteous alſo ſhall ſee and feare, and ſhall laugh at him.

7 Loe, this *is* the man, *that* made not God his ſtrength; but truſted in the abundance of his riches, *and* ſtrengthened himſelfe in his wickedneſſe.

8 But I *am* like a greene oliue tree in the houſe of God: I truſt in the mercy of God for euer and euer.

9 I will praiſe thee for euer, becauſe thou haſt done *it*: and I will wait on thy Name, for *it is* good before thy Saints.

* Rom. 3.4

† Heb. marre me.

† Heb. ſhall deſtroy thee.

PSAL. LIII.

1 Dauid deſcribeth the corruption of mans nature. 4 He conuicteth the wicked of the light of their owne conſcience. 6 He glorieth in the ſaluation of Iſrael.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician vpon Mahalath, *A Pſalme of Dauid.

THe * foole hath ſaid in his heart, There is no God; corrupt are they, and haue done abominable iniquity, *there is* none that doth good.

2 God looked downe from heauen vpon the children of men, to ſee if there were any that did vnderſtand, that did ſeeke God.

3 Euery one of them is gone backe: they are altogether become filthy: *there is* none that doeth good, no not one.

4 Haue the workers of iniquity no knowledge? *who* eat vp my people *as* they eat bread, *and* call not vpon God.

5 There † were they in great feare where no feare was: for God hath ſcattered the bones of him that encampeth *againſt* thee: thou haſt put *them* to ſhame, becauſe God hath deſpiſed them.

6 †O that the ſaluation of Iſrael were come out of Sion! when God bringeth backe the captiuity of his people, Iacob ſhall reioyce, *and* Iſrael ſhall be glad.

* Pſal. 14.1.

† Hebr. they feared a feare.

† Or, O that the ſaluations of Iſrael were come out of Sion!

PSAL. LIIII.

1 Dauid complaining of the Ziphims, prayeth for ſaluation. 4 Vpon his confidence in God he promiſeth ſacrifice.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician on Neginoth, *Maſchil, A Pſalme of Dauid, *when the Ziphims came and ſaid to Saul, Doth not Dauid hide himſelfe with vs?*

SAue mee, O God, by thy Name, and iudge me by thy ſtrength.

2 Heare my prayer, O God; giue eare to the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen vp against mee, and oppressours seeke after my soule: they haue not set God before them. Selah.

4 Behold, God *is* mine helper: the Lord *is* with them that vphold my soule.

5 He shall reward euill vnto † mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth

6 I will freely sacrifice vnto thee: I will praise thy Name (O LORD) for it *is* good.

7 For he hath deliuered me out of all trouble: & mine eyes haue seene *his desire* vpon mine enemies.

PSALME LV.

1 Dauid in his prayer complaineth of his feareful case. 9 He prayeth against his enemies, of whose wickednesse and crueltie he complaineth. 16 He comforteth himselfe in Gods preseruation of him, and confusion of his enemies.

¶ To the chiefe Musician on Neginoth, Maschil. *A Psalme* of Dauid.

GIue eare vnto my prayer, O God: and hide not thy selfe from my supplication.

2 Attend vnto me, and heare mee: I mourne in my complaint, and make a noyse.

3 Because of the voyce of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity vpon me, and in wrath they hate me.

4 My heart is sore paine d within me: and the terrours of death are fallen vpon me.

5 Fearefulnesse and trembling are come vpon me, and horrour hath † ouerwhelmed me.

6 And I said, O that I had wings like a doue; *for then* would I flee away, and be at rest.

7 Lo, *then* would I wander far off, *and* remaine in the wildernesse. Selah.

8 I would hasten my escape from the windie storme *and* tempest.

9 Destroy, O Lord, *and* diuide their tongues: for I haue seene violence and strife in the city.

10 Day and night they goe about it vpon the walls thereof: mischiefe also and sorrow *are* in the middest of it.

11 Wickednesse *is* in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.

12 For *it was* not an enemy *that* reproached me, then I could haue borne *it*: neither *was it* hee that hated me, that did magnifie *himselfe* against mee, then I would haue hid my selfe from him.

13 But *it was* thou, † a man, mine equall, my guide and mine acquaintance.

14 † Wee tooke sweet counsell together, *and* walked vnto the house of God in company.

15 Let death seize vpon them, and let them goe downe quicke into ‖ hell: for wickednesse *is* in their dwellings, *and* among them.

16 As for me, I will call vpon God: and the LORD shall saue me.

17 Euening and morning, and at noone will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall heare my voice.

18 He hath deliuered my soule in peace from the battell that was against me: for there were many with me.

19 God shall heare, and afflict them, euen he that sitteth of old. Selah: because ‖ they *haue* no changes, therefore they feare not God.

20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: † he hath broken his couenant.

21 *The words* of his mouth were smoother then butter, but warre *was* in his heart: his words were softer then oyle, yet *were they* drawne swords.

22 * Cast thy ‖ burden vpon the LORD, and hee shall sustaine thee: † hee shall neuer suffer the righteous to be moued.

23 But thou, O God shalt bring them downe into the pit of destruction: † Bloody, and deceitfull men † shall not liue out halfe their dayes, but I will trust in thee.

PSALME LVI.

1 Dauid praying to God in confidence of his word, complaineth of his enemies. 9 He professeth his confidence in Gods Word, and promiseth to praise him.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Ionath Elem, Rechekim, ‖ Michtam of Dauid, when the * Philistines tooke him in Gath.

BEe mercifull vnto me, O God, for man would swallow me vp: hee fighting dayly oppresseth mee.

2 † Mine enemies would dayly swallow *me* vp: for they *be* many † fight against me, O thou most High.

3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

4 In God I will praise his word, in God I haue put my trust, I will not feare what flesh can do vnto me.

5 Euery day they wrest my words: all their thoughts are against me for euill.

6 They gather themselues together, they hide themselues, they marke my steps, when they wait for my soule.

7 Shall they escape by iniquity? in *thine* anger cast downe the people, O God.

8 Thou tellest my wandrings, put thou my teares into thy bottle: *are* they not in thy booke?

9 When I cry vnto thee, then shall mine enemies turne backe: this I know, for God *is* for me.

10 In God will I praise *his* word: in the LORD will I praise *his* word.

11 In God haue I put my trust: I will not bee afraid what man can doe vnto me.

12 Thy vowes *are* vpon me, O God: I will render praises vnto thee.

13 For thou hast deliuered my soule from death: wilt not thou *deliuer* my feet from falling? that I may walke before God in the light of the liuing.

PSALME LVII.

1 Dauid in prayer flying vnto God complaineth of his dangerous case. 7 He encourageth himselfe to praise God.

¶ To the chiefe Musician ‖ Al-taschith, Michtam of Dauid, * when he fled from Saul in the caue.

BEe mercifull vnto me, O God, be mercifull vnto me: for my soule trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, vntill *these* calamities be ouer past.

2 I will cry vnto God most High: vnto God that performeth *all things* for mee.

3 He shall send from heauen, and saue me ‖ *from* the reproach of him that would swallow me vp. Selah. God shall send foorth his mercy and his truth.

4 My soule *is* among lyons, *and* I lie euen among them that are set on fire: *euen* the sonnes of men, whose teeth *are* speares and arrowes, and their tongue a sharpe sword.

5 Be thou exalted, O God, aboue the heauens: let thy glory *be* aboue all the earth.

6 * They haue prepared a net for my steps, my soule is bowed downe: they haue digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen *themselues*. Selah.

7 * My heart is ‖ fixed, O God, my heart is fixed, I will sing and giue praise.

8 Awake vp my glory, awake psalterie and harpe: I *my selfe* will awake early.

9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people, I will sing vnto thee among the nations.

10 * For thy mercy *is* great vnto the heauens: and thy truth vnto the clouds.

† *Heb. men of bloods, & deceit.*
† *Hebr. shall not half their dayes.*
‖ *Or, a golden Psalme of Dauid.*
* 1 Sam. 22.11.
† *Hebr. mine obseruers.*
‖ *Or, destroy not.*
* 1 Sam. 24.1.
‖ *Or, he reproacheth him that would swallow me vp.*
* Psal. 7.16. & 9.15.
* Psal. 108.1, &c.
‖ *Or, prepared.*
* Psa. 36. & 108.5.

11 Be thou exalted, O God, aboue the heauens: let thy glory be aboue all the earth.

PSAL. LVIII.

1 Dauid reproueth wicked Iudges. 3 describeth the nature of the wicked. 6 denounceth them to Gods iudgments. 10 Wherat the righteous shall reioyce.

¶ To the chiefe Musician ‖ Al-taschith, Michtam of Dauid.

‖ Or, Destroy not a golden Psalme of Dauid.

DO ye indeede speak righteousnes, O congregation? doe ye iudge vprightly, O ye sons of men?

2 Yea, in heart you worke wickednes; you weigh the violence of your hands in the earth.

3 The wicked are estranged from the womb, they goe astray † assoone as they be borne, speaking lies.

† Heb. from the belly.

4 Their poyson is † like the poyson of a serpent: they are like § deafe adder *that* stoppeth her eare:

† Heb. according to the likenes.

5 Which will not hearken to the voyce of charmers, ‖ charming neuer so wisely.

‖ Or, be she charmer neuer so cunning.

6 Breake their teeth, O God, in their mouth: breake out § great teeth of § young lyons, O LORD.

7 Let them melt away, as waters *which* run continually: *When* he bendeth *his bow to shoot* his arrowes, let them be as cut in pieces.

8 As a snaile *which* melteth, let *euery one* of them passe away: *like* the vntimely birth of a woman, *that* they may not see the Sunne.

9 Before your pots can feele the thornes, hee shall take them away as with a whirlewind, † both liuing, and in *his* wrath.

† Heb. as liuing as wrath.

10 The righteous shall reioyce when hee seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked.

† Heb. fruit of the, &c.

11 So that a man shall say, Verely *there is* † a reward for the righteous: verely hee is a God that iudgeth in the earth.

PSAL. LIX.

1 Dauid prayeth to be deliuered from his enemies. 6 He complaineth of their cruelty. 8 He trusteth in God. 11 He prayeth against them. 16 Hee praiseth God.

¶ To ‖ the chiefe Musician, Al-taschith, Mithtam of Dauid: * when Saul sent, and they watcht the house to kill him.

‖ Or, to the chief Musician destroy not a golden Psalme of Dauid. * 1. Sam. 19.11.

DEliuer me from mine enemies, O my God: † defend me from them that rise vp against me.

† Heb set me on high.

2 Deliuer me from the workers of iniquity, and saue me from bloody men.

3 For lee, thy lie in wait for my soule: § the mighty are gathered against me: not *for* my transgression nor *for* my sinne, O LORD.

4 They runne and prepare themselues without my fault: awake † to help me, and behold.

† Heb. to meet me.

5 Thou therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: bee not mercifull to any wicked transgressours. Selah.

6 They returne at euening: they make a noyse like a dog, and goe round about the city.

7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth: * swords *are* in their lips; for who *say they*, doth heare?

* Psal. 10.11. & 73.11. & 94.7.

8 But thou, O LORD, shalt laugh at them, thou shalt haue all the heathen in derision.

9 *Because* of his strength will I wait vpon thee: † for God *is* my defence.

† Heb. my high place.

10 The God of my mercy shall preuent me: God shall let me see *my desire* vpon † mine enemies.

† Heb. mine obseruers.

11 Slay them not, lest my people forget: scatter them by thy power, and bring them downe, O Lord our shield:

12 *For* the sinne of their mouth, *and* the words of their lips, let them euen be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying *which* they speake.

13 Consume *them* in wrath, consume *them*, that they may not be: and let them know that God ruleth in Iacob vnto the ends of the earth. Selah.

14 And at euening let them returne, and let them make a noise like a dog, & go round about the city.

15 Let them wander vp and downe † for meate, ‖ and grudge if they bee not satisfied.

‖ Or, and murmure if they be not satisfied.

16 But I will sing of thy power: yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast beene my defence & refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Vnto thee, O my strength, will I sing, for God *is* my defence, *and* the God of my mercy.

PSAL. LX.

1 Dauid complaining to God of some ouerthrow, 4 Now vpon better hope prayeth for deliuerance. 6 Comforting himself in Gods promises, he trusteth that helpe whereon he trusteth.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Shushan Eduth ‖ Michtam of Dauid, to teach, * When he stroue with Aram Naharaim, and with Aram Zobah, *when* Ioab returned, and smote of Edom in the valley of Salt twelue thousand.

O * God, thou hast cast vs off, thou hast † scattered vs, thou hast beene displeased: O turne thy selfe to vs againe.

† Heb. breaken.

2 Thou hast made § earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heale § the breaches thereof, for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: thou hast made vs to drinke the wine of astonishment.

4 Thou hast giuen a banner to them that feare thee: that it may be displayed, because of the truth. Selah.

5 * That thy beloued may be deliuered: saue *with* thy right hand, and heare me.

6 God hath spoken in his holinesse, I will reioyce: I will diuide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead *is* mine, and Manasseh *is* mine; Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; Iudah *is* my Law-giuer.

8 Moab *is* my washpot; ouer Edom will I cast my shooe: Philistia, ‖ triumph thou because of me.

‖ Or, ouer Philistia I triumph.

9 Who will bring me into the † strong citie? who will lead me into Edom?

† Heb. fenced.

10 Wilt not thou, O God, *which* hadst cast vs off? and thou, * O God, which didst not go out with our armies?

11 Giue vs helpe from trouble: for vaine is † the helpe of man.

† Heb. the helpe of man.

12 Through God we shall doe valiantly: for *it is he that* shall tread downe our enemies.

PSAL. LXI.

1 Dauid fleeth to God as to a strong refuge. 4 He voweth perpetuall seruice vnto him for his promises.

¶ To the chiefe Musician vpon Neginoth. A Psalme of Dauid.

HEare my cry, O God, attend vnto my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth will I cry vnto thee, when my heart is ouerwhelmed: lead me to the rocke *that* is higher than I.

3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, *and* a strong towre from the enemy.

4 I will abide in thy Tabernacle for euer: I will † trust in the couert of thy wings. Selah.

† Heb. trust in the couert, &c.

5 For thou, O God, hast heard my vowes: thou hast giuen *me* § heritage of those that feare thy Name.

6 † Thou wilt prolong the Kings life: *and* his yeeres † as many generations.

† Heb. thou shalt adde dayes to the dayes of the King.

7 He shall abide before God for euer: O prepare mercy and truth, *which may* preserue him.

8 So will I sing prayse vnto thy Name for euer, that I may daily performe my vowes.

PSAL. LXII.

Dauid professing his confidence in God, discouraging his enemies. 5 *In the same confidence he encourageth the godly.* 9 *No trust is to be put in worldlings.* 11 *Power and mercy belong to God.*

¶ To the chiefe Musician, to Ieduthun. A Psalme of Dauid.

1 *Truly my soule* † waiteth vpon God: from him *commeth* my saluation.

2 He onely *is* my rocke and my saluation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be greatly moued.

3 How long will ye imagine mischiefe against a man? ye shall be slaine all of you: as a bowing wall *shall ye be*, and as a tottering fence.

4 They only consult to cast *him* down from his excellency, they delight in lies: they bleſſe with their mouth, but they curſe † inwardly. Selah.

5 *My soule*, wait thou only vpon God: for my expectation *is* from him.

6 He onely *is* my rocke and my saluation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moued.

7 In God *is* my saluation, and my glory: the rocke of my strength, *and* my refuge *is* in God.

8 Truſt in him at all times, ye people, powre out your heart before him: God *is a* refuge for vs. Selah.

9 Surely men of low degree are vanity, & men of high degree *are a* lie: to be laid in the ballance, they are altogether lighter then vanity.

10 Truſt not in oppreſſion, become not vaine in robberie: if riches increase, ſet not your heart *vpon it*.

11 God hath ſpoken once; twice haue I heard this: that power *belongeth* vnto God.

12 Alſo vnto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for thou rendreſt to euery man according to his work.

PSAL. LXIII.

Dauids thirst for God. 4 *His manner of bleſſing God.* 9 *His confidence of his enemies deſtruction, & his owne safety.*

A Pſalme of Dauid, when he was in the wildernesse of Iudah.

1 God, † *art* my God, early will I ſeeke thee: my ſoule thirſteth for thee, my fleſh longeth for thee in a dry & thirſty land, † where no water is:

2 To ſee thy power and thy glory: ſo as I haue ſeene thee in the Sanctuary.

3 Becauſe thy louing kindneſſe *is* better then the life, my lips ſhall praiſe thee.

4 Thus will I bleſſe thee while I liue: I will lift vp my hands in thy Name.

5 My ſoule ſhall be ſatisfied as *with* † marrow and fatneſſe: & my mouth ſhal praiſe *thee with* ioyfull lips:

6 When I remember thee vpon my bed: *and* muſe on thee in the *night* watches.

7 Becauſe thou haſt beene my helpe: therefore in the ſhadow of thy wings will I reioyce.

8 My ſoule followeth hard after thee: thy right hand vpholdeth me.

9 But thoſe *that* ſeeke my ſoule to deſtroy it, ſhall goe into the lower parts of the earth.

10 They ſhall fall by the ſword: they ſhall be a portion for foxes.

11 But the King ſhall reioyce in God; euery one that ſweareth by him ſhall glory: but the mouth of them that ſpeake lies, ſhall be ſtopped.

PSAL. LXIIII.

Dauid prayeth for deliuerance, complaining of enemies. 7 *He promiſeth himſelfe to ſee ſuch an euill deſtruction of his enemies, as the righteous preſage of it.*

To the chiefe Muſician, A Pſalme of Dauid.

1 Heare my voyce, O God, in my prayer; preſerue my life from feare of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the ſecret counſel of the wicked: *Pſal. 3.* from the inſurrection of the workers of iniquity:

3 *Who whet their tongue like a ſword and bend their bowes to ſhoot their arrowes, euen bitter words.*

4 That they may ſhoot in ſecret at the perfect: ſuddenly doe they ſhoot at him, and feare not.

5 They encourage themſelues *in an euill* matter: they commune † of laying ſnares priuily; they ſay, Who ſhall eſpie them?

6 They ſearch out iniquities, they accompliſh † a diligent ſearcht: both the inward *thoughts* of euery one of them, and the heart *is* deepe.

7 But God ſhall ſhoot at them: *with an arrow* ſuddenly † ſhall they be wounded.

8 So they ſhall make their owne tongue to fall vpon themſelues: all that ſee them ſhall flee away.

9 And all men ſhal feare, and ſhall declare † *the* work of God, for they ſhall wiſely conſider of his doing.

10 The righteous ſhall be glad in the LORD & ſhall truſt in him: & all the vpright in heart ſhall glory.

PSAL. LXV.

1 *Dauid praiſeth God for his grace.* 4 *The bleſſedneſſe of Gods chosen by reason of benefits.*

¶ To the chiefe Muſician, A Pſalme and Song of Dauid

1 PRaiſe † waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and vnto thee ſhall the vow be performed.

2 O thou that heareſt prayer, vnto thee ſhall all fleſh come.

3 † Iniquities preuaile againſt me: as for our tranſgreſſions, thou ſhalt purge them away.

4 Bleſſed *is the man whom* thou chuſeſt, and cauſeſt to approach *vnto thee, that* hee may dwell in thy courts: wee ſhall be ſatisfied with the goodneſſe of thy houſe, *euen* of thy holy Temple.

5 *By* terrible things in righteouſneſſe wilt thou anſwere vs, O God of our ſaluation: *who art* the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them *that are* afarre off *vpon* the Sea.

6 *Which* by his ſtrength ſetteth faſt the mountaines, being girded with power.

7 *Which* ſtilleth the noiſe of the Seas, the noiſe of their waues, and the tumult of the people.

8 They alſo that dwel in the vttermoſt parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makeſt the out-goings of the morning and the euening ‖ to reioyce.

9 Thou viſiteſt the earth, and watereſt it: thou greatly inricheſt it with the riuer of God, *which is* full of water: thou prepareſt them corne, when thou haſt ſo prouided for it.

10 Thou watereſt the ridges thereof abundantly: ‖ thou ſetleſt the furrowes thereof: † thou makeſt it ſoft with ſhowres, thou bleſſeſt ‖ ſpringing thereof.

11 Thou crowneſt † the yeere with thy goodneſs, and thy paths drop fatneſſe.

12 They drop *vpon* the paſtures of the wildernesse: and the little hils † reioyce on euery ſide.

13 The paſtures are clothed with flocks: the valleys alſo are couered ouer with corne; they ſhout for ioy, they alſo ſing.

PSAL. LXVI.

1 *Dauid exhorteth to praiſe God.* 5 *to obſerue his great works.* 8 *To bleſſe him for his gracious benefits.* 11 *He voweth for himſelfe religious ſeruice to God.* 16 *He declareth Gods ſpeciall goodneſſe to himſelfe.*

¶ To the chiefe Muſician, A Song or Pſalme.

1 MAke a ioyfull noyſe vnto God, † all ye lands.

2 Sing forth the honor of his Name: make his praiſe glorious.

3 Say vnto God, How terrible *art thou in* thy workes! through the greatneſſe of thy power ſhall thine enemies ‖ ſubmit themſelues vnto thee.

‖ Or, ſpeech.
† Heb. to hide ſnares.
Or, we are conſirmed by that which they haue wrongfully ſearched.
† Hebr. a ſearch ſearched, or their wound is all be.
‖ Heb. ſilence.
† Hebr. words, or matters of iniquities.
‖ Or, to ſing. Or after thou haſt made it to deſire raine.
‖ Or, thou cauſeſt raine to deſcend into the furrowes thereof.
† Hebr. it ouercaſteth it.
† Heb. the vere of thy goodneſſe. † heb are girded with ioy.
‖ Heb. all the earth. Or, yeeld obedience. Heb. lie.

4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing vnto thee: they shall sing to thy Name. Selah.

5 Come and see the workes of God: he is terrible *in his* doing toward the children of men.

6 He turned the Sea into dry land: they went thorow the flood on foot, there did wee reioyce in him.

7 Hee ruleth by his power for euer, his eyes behold the Nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselues. Selah.

8 O blesse our God, yee people: and make the voyce of his praise to be heard.

† Hebr. putteth. 9 Which † holdeth our soule in life: and suffereth not our feet to be moued.

10 For thou, O God, hast proued vs: thou hast tried vs as siluer is tried.

11 Thou broughtest vs into the net: thou layedst affliction vpon our loynes.

† Hebr. mayst. 12 Thou hast caused men to ride ouer our heads, we went through fire, and through water: but thou broughtest vs out into a † wealthy place

13 I will goe into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vowes,

† Hebr. opened. 14 Which my lips haue † vttered, and my mouth hath spoken when I was in trouble.

† Hebr. marrow. 15 I will offer vnto thee burnt sacrifices of † fatlings, with the incense of rammes: I will offer bullockes with goats. Selah.

16 Come *and* heare, all yee that feare God: and I will declare what he hath done for my soule.

17 I cryed vnto him with my mouth: and he was extolled with my tongue.

18 If I regard iniquity in my heart: the Lord will not heare me.

19 But verely God hath heard mee: hee hath attended to the voyce of my prayer.

20 Blessed *be* God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

PSAL. LXVII.

1 A prayer for the inlargement of Gods Kingdome. 3 to the ioy of the people, 6 and the increase of Gods blessings.

¶ To the chiefe Musician on Neginoth. A Psalme *or* Song.

† Hebr. with vs. GOd bee mercifull vnto vs, and blesse vs: *and* cause his face to shine † vpon vs. Selah.

2 That thy way may be knowne vpon earth, thy sauing health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, O God, let all the people praise thee.

4 O let the nations bee glad, and sing for ioy: for thou shalt iudge the people righteously; and † gouerne the nations vpon earth. Selah.

† Hebr. lead. 5 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

6 *Then* shall the earth yeeld her increase; *and* God, *euen* our owne God shall blesse vs.

7 God shall blesse vs; and all the ends of the earth shall feare him.

PSAL. LXVIII.

1 A prayer at the remouing of the Arke. 4 An exhortation to praise God for his mercies, 7 for his care of the Church 19 For his great workes.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme *or* Song of Dauid.

* Numb. 10.35 † Hebr. from his face. ‡ Heb. reioyce with gladnes. LEt * God arise, let his enemies bee scattered: let them also that hate him, flee † before him.

2 As smoke is driuen away, so driue *them* away: as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

‡ But let the righteous be glad: let them reioyce before God, yea, let them † exceedingly reioyce.

4 Sing vnto God, sing praises to his Name: extol *him* that rideth vpon the heauens, by his Name, I AH, and reioyce before him.

5 A father of the fatherlesse, and a Iudge of the widowes, *is* God in his holy habitation.

6 God setteth the solitary † in families: he bringeth out those which are bound with chaines, but the rebellious dwell in a dry land.

7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people; when thou didst march thorow the wildernesse. Selah.

8 The earth shooke, the heauens also dropped at the presence of God: *euen* Sinai it selfe was moued at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, didst † send a plentifull raine, whereby thou didst † confirme thine inheritance when it was weary.

10 Thy Congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodnes for the poore.

11 The Lord gaue the word: great was the † company of those that published it.

12 Kings of armies † did flee apace: and she that tarried at home diuided the spoile.

13 Though ye haue lien among the pots, *yet* ye *be* as the wings of a Doue, couered with siluer, and her feathers with yellow gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered Kings in it, it was white as snow in Salmon.

15 The hill of God is *as* the hill of Bashan; a high hill, *as* the hill of Bashan.

16 Why leape ye, ye high hilles this *is* the hill *which* God desireth to dwell in it; yea, the Lord will dwell in it for euer.

17 The chariots of God *are* twenty thousand, ‖ *euen* thousands of Angels: the Lord is among them, *as* in Sinai, in the holy place.

18 * Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captiuity captiue, thou hast receiued gifts for men; yea, *for* the rebellious also, that the Lord God might dwell *among them*.

19 Blessed *be* the Lord who daily loadeth vs with benefits, *euen* the God of our saluation. Selah.

20 He that *is* our God, *is* the God of saluation: and vnto GOD the Lord *belong* the issues from death.

21 But God shall wound the head of his enemies, *and* the hairie scalpe of such a one as goeth on still in his trespasses.

22 The Lord said, I will bring againe from Bashan, I will bring *my people* againe from the depths of the Sea:

23 That thy foot may be ‖ dipped in the blood of *thine* enemies, *and* ‖ the tongue of thy dogs in the same.

24 They haue seene thy goings, O God, *even* the goings of my God, my King, in the Sanctuarie.

25 The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; amongst them were the damosels playing *with* Timbrels.

26 Blesse ye God in the Congregations, *euen* the Lord ‖ from the fountaine of Israel.

27 There *is* little Beniamin with their ruler, the Princes of Iudah ‖ *and* their counsell, the Princes of Zebulun, *and* the Princes of Naphtali.

28 Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that *which* thou hast wrought for vs.

29 Because of thy Temple at Ierusalem, shall Kings bring presents vnto thee.

30 Rebuke the ‖ company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with the calues of the people, till *every one* submit himself: scatter with pieces of siluer: ‖ scatter thou the people *that* delight in warre.

31 Princes shall come out of Egypt, Ethiopia shall soone stretch out her hands vnto God.

Sing vnto God, ye kingdomes of the earth: O praises vnto the Lord. Selah.
To him that rideth vpon the heauens of hea- which were of old: loe he doth † send our his er, and that a mighty voyce.
Ascribe yee ſtrength vnto God: his excellency r Israel, and his ſtrength is in the ‖ clouds.
O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy pla- the God of Israel is he that giueth ſtrength and er vnto his people: bleſſed be God.

PSAL. LXIX.

Dauid complaineth of his affliction. 13 He prayeth deliuerance. 22 Hee denounceth his enemies to deſtruction. 30 He praiſeth God with thankſgiuing.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician vpon Shoſhannim.

A Pſalme of Dauid.

Saue me, O God, for the waters are come in vnto my ſoule.
I ſinke in † deepe mire, where *there is* no ſtan- I am come into † deepe waters, where the ds ouerflow me.
I am weary of my crying, my throat is dried: mine eyes faile *while* I wait for my God.
They that hate me without a cauſe, are more then haires of mine head: they that would deſtroy me, being mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: I reſtored that which I tooke not away.
O God, thou knoweſt my fooliſhneſſe; and my ſins are not hid from thee.
Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord GOD hoſts, be aſhamed for my ſake: let not thoſe that ke thee, bee confounded for my ſake, O God of el.
Becauſe for thy ſake I haue borne reproach: ame hath couered my face.
I am become a ſtranger vnto my brethren, and ſtraunt vnto my mothers children.
* For the zeale of thine houſe hath eaten mee: and the reproaches of them that reproached are fallen vpon mee.
When I wept, and *chaſtened* my ſoule with ſting, that was to my reproach.
I made ſackcloth alſo my garment: and I be- a prouerbe to them.
They that ſit in the gate, ſpeake againſt me: I *was* the ſong of the † drunkards.
But as for mee, my prayer *is* vnto thee, O D, in an acceptable time: O God, in the mul- de of thy mercy heare mee, in the truth of thy ation.
Deliuer me out of the mire, and let mee not: let mee bee deliuered from them that hate and out of the deepe waters.
Let not the water flood ouerflow me: neither e deepe ſwallow mee vp, and let not the pit her mouth vpon me.
Heare mee, O LORD, for thy louing kindneſſe d: turne vnto mee, according to the multi- of thy tender mercies.
And hide not thy face from thy ſeruant: for I trouble: † heare me ſpeedily.
Draw nigh vnto my ſoule, *and* redeeme it: ue me becauſe of mine enemies.
Thou haſt knowne my reproach and my ſhame, my diſhonour: mine aduerſaries are all be- thee.
Reproch hath broken my heart, and I am full ueakneſſe: and I looked *for ſome* † to take pity, there was none; and for comforters, but I ne.
They gaue mee alſo gall for my meat, * and thirſt they gaue me vineger to drinke.

22 *Let their table become a ſnare before them: and *that which ſhould haue beene* for *their* welfare, *let it become* a trap. * Rom. 11.9.
23 Let their eyes be darkened that they ſee not: and make their loines continually to ſhake.
24 Powre out thine indignation vpon them, and let thy wrathfull anger take hold of them.
25 Let their † habitation be deſolate, *and* † let none dwell in their tents. † Heb. their palace.
26 For they perſecute *him* whom thou haſt ſmit- ten, and they talke to the griefe of † thoſe whom thou haſt wounded. † Heb. let there not be a dweller.
27 Adde ‖ iniquity vnto their iniquity: and let them not come into thy righteouſneſſe.
28 Let them be blotted out of the booke of the † Heb. thy liuing, and not be written with the righteous. wounded.
29 But I *am* poore, and ſorrowfull: let thy ſalua- tion, (O God) ſet me vp on high. ‖ Or, puniſhment of iniquity.
30 I will praiſe the Name of God with a ſong: and will magnifie him with thankſgiuing.
31 *This* alſo ſhall pleaſe the LORD, better then an oxe *or* bullocke that hath hornes and hoofes.
32 The ‖ humble ſhall ſee this, and be glad: and your heart ſhall liue that ſeeke God. ‖ Or, meeke.
33 For the LORD heareth the poore, and deſpi- ſeth not his priſoners.
34 Let the heauen and earth praiſe him; the ſeas and euery thing that † moueth therein. † Heb. creepeth.
35 For God will ſaue Sion, and will build the cities of Iudah, that they may dwell there, and haue it in poſſeſſion.
36 The ſeed alſo of his ſeruants ſhall inherite it: and they that loue his Name ſhall dwell therein.

PSAL. LXX.

1 *Dauid ſolliciteth God to the ſpeedy deſtruction of the wicked, and preſeruation of the godly.*

¶ To the chiefe Muſician, *A Pſalme* of Dauid, to bring to remembrance.

MAke haſte, * O God, to deliuer mee, make haſte † to helpe mee, O LORD. * Pſal. 40. 14, &c.
2 Let them bee aſhamed and confounded that ſeeke after my ſoule: let them be turned backward, and put to confuſion, that deſire my hurt. † Heb. to my helpe.
3 * Let them bee turned backe for a reward of their ſhame, that ſay, Aha, aha. * Pſ. 35.4. & 71.13.
4 Let all thoſe that ſeeke thee, reioyce, and bee glad in thee: and let ſuch as loue thy ſaluation, ſay continually, Let God be magnified
5 But I *am* poore and needy, make haſte vnto mee, O God: thou *art* my helpe, and my deliuerer, O LORD, make no tarrying.

PSAL. LXXI.

1 *Dauid in confidence of faith, and experience of Gods fauour, prayeth both for himſelfe, and againſt the enemies of his ſoule. 14 Hee promiſeth conſtancy. 17 He prayeth for perſeuerance. 19 He praiſeth God, and proteſteth to doe it cheerefully.*

IN * thee, O LORD, doe I put my truſt, let me ne- uer be put to confuſion. * Pſal. 31.2.
2 Deliuer mee in thy righteouſneſſe, and cauſe mee to eſcape: encline thine eare vnto mee, and ſaue mee.
3 † Be thou my ſtrong habitation, whereunto I may continually reſort: thou haſt giuen commaun- dement to ſaue mee, for thou art my rocke, and my fortreſſe. † Heb. be thou to me for a rocke of habitation.
4 Deliuer mee, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the vnrighteous, and cruell man.
5 For thou *art* my hope, O Lord GOD: thou *art* my truſt from my youth.
6 By thee haue I bin holden vp from the wombe:

thou art he that tooke me out of my mothers bowels, my praise *shall be* continually of thee.

7 I am as a wonder vnto many, but thou *art* my strong refuge.

8 Let my mouth bee filled *with* thy praise, *and with* thy honour all the day.

9 Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.

10 For mine enemies speake against me, and they that † lay wait for my soule, take counsell together,

† Hebr. watch, or obserue.

11 Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him, for *there is* none to deliuer *him*.

12 O God, bee not farre from mee: O my God, make haste for my helpe.

13 Let them bee confounded *and* consumed, that are aduersaries to my soule: let them bee couered *with* reproach and dishonour, that seeke my hurt.

14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.

15 My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousnes, *and* thy saluation all the day: for I know not the numbers *thereof*.

16 I will goe in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousnesse, *euen* of thine onely.

17 O God, thou hast taught mee from my youth: and hitherto haue I declared thy wondrous works.

† Heb. vnto old age and gray haires.

18 Now also † when I am old and gray headed, O God forsake me not: vntill I haue shewed † thy strength vnto *this* generation, *and* thy power to euery one *that* is to come.

† Hebr. thine arme.

19 Thy righteousnesse also, O God, *is* very high, who hast done great things: O God, who *is* like vnto thee?

20 *Thou* which hast shewed mee great and sore troubles, shalt quicken mee againe, and shalt bring mee vp againe from the depths of the earth.

21 Thou shalt increase my greatnesse, and comfort me on euery side.

† Hebr. with the instrument of Psaltery.

22 I will also praise thee † with the Psalterie, *euen* thy truth, O my God: vnto thee will I sing with the harpe, O thou holy One of Israel.

23 My lips shal greatly reioyce when I sing vnto thee: and my soule, which thou hast redeemed.

24 My tongue also shall talke of thy righteousnesse all the day long: for they are confounded, for they are brought vnto shame that seeke my hurt.

PSAL. LXXII.

1 *Dauid praying for Solomon, sheweth the goodnes and glory of him, in type, and in truth, of Christs Kingdome.* 18 *He blesseth God.*

¶ *A Psalme* † for Solomon.

§ Or, of.

GIue the King thy iudgements, O God, and thy righteousnesse vnto the Kings sonne.

2 He shall iudge thy people with righteousnesse: and thy poore with iudgement.

3 The mountaines shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousnesse.

4 He shall iudge the poore of the people, he shall saue the children of the needy, and shall breake in pieces the oppressour.

5 They shall feare thee as long as the Sunne and Moone endure, throughout all generations.

6 He shal come downe like raine vpon the mowen grasse: as showres *that* water the earth.

† Heb. till there be no Moon

7 In his dayes shall the righteous flourish: and abundance of peace † so long as the Moone endureth.

8 Hee shall haue dominion also from Sea to Sea, and from the riuer, vnto the ends of the earth.

9 They that dwell in the wildernesse, shall bow before him: and his enemies shall licke the dust.

10 The Kings of Tarshish and of the Iles shall bring presents: the Kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

11 Yea, all Kings shall fall downe before him: all nations shall serue him.

12 For he shal deliuer the needy when he crieth: the poore also, and *him* that hath no helper.

13 He shall spare the poore and needy, and shall saue the soules of the needy.

14 He shall redeeme their soule from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.

15 And he shall liue, and to him *shall be* giuen of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually, *and* daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be an handfull of corne in the earth vpon the top of the mountaines, the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon, and *they* of the city shall flourish like grasse of the earth.

17 His Name † shall endure for euer: † his Name shall be continued as long as the Sunne: and men shall be blessed in him: all Nations shall call him blessed.

18 Blessed *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel, who onely doth wondrous things.

19 And blessed *be* his glorious Name for euer: and let the whole earth bee filled with his glory. Amen, and Amen.

20 The prayers of Dauid the sonne of Iesse, are ended.

PSAL. LXXIII.

1 *The Prophet preuailing in a temptation, sheweth the occasion thereof, the prosperity of the wicked.* 13 *The wound giuen thereby, distrust.* *The victory ouer it, knowledge of Gods purpose in destroying of the wicked, and sustaining the righteous.*

¶ A Psalme of Asaph.

TRuely God *is* good to Israel, *euen* to such as are † of a cleane heart.

2 But as for mee, my feet were almost gone: my steps had well-nigh slipt.

3 * For I was enuious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

4 For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength is † firme.

5 They *are* not † in trouble, *as other* men: neither are they plagued † like *other* men.

6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chaine: violence couereth them as a garment.

7 Their eyes stand out with fatnesse: † they haue more then heart could wish.

8 They are corrupt and speake wickedly concerning oppression: they speake loftily.

9 They set their mouth against the heauens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.

10 Therefore his people returne hither: and waters of a full *cup* are wrung out to them.

11 And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?

12 Behold, these *are* the vngodly, who prosper in the world, they increase in riches.

13 Verely I haue cleansed my heart in vaine, and washed my hands in innocency.

14 For all the day long haue I been plagued, and † chastened euery morning.

15 If I say, I will speake thus: behold, I should offend *against* the generation of thy children.

16 When I thought to know this, it was too painefull for mee,

17 Vntill I went into the Sanctuary of God, then vnderstood I their end.

18 Surely thou dost set them in slippery places: thou castest them downe into destruction.

How are they *brought* into desolation, as in a ent? they are vtterly consumed with terrors.
As a dreame when one awaketh, so, O Lord, thou awaket thou shalt despise their image.
Thus my heart was grieued, and I was pricked reines.
So foolish was I, † and ignorant: I was *as a* † before thee.
Neuertheless, I *am* continually with thee: hast holden *me* by my right hand.
Thou shalt guide mee with thy counsell: and ward receiue me to glory.
Whom *haue* I in heauen *but thee*? and *there is* pon earth that I desire besides thee.
My flesh and my heart faileth: *but* God *is* the ength of my heart, and my portion for euer.
For loe, they that are farre from thee shall h: thou hast destroyed all them that goe a ing from thee.
But it is good for me to draw neere to God: t put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may re all thy workes.

PSAL. LXXIIII.

The Prophet complaineth of the desolation of ctuary. 10 He moueth God to helpe, in consion of his power, 18 of his reprochfull enee of his children, and of his Couenant.

¶ ‖Muschil of Asaph.

God, why hast thou cast vs off for euer? *why* doeth thine anger smoake against the sheepe pasture?
Remember thy Congregation *which* thou hast ased of old: the ‖ rod of thine inheritance thou hast redeemed, this mount Sion, where- n hast dwelt.
Lift vp thy feet vnto the perpetuall desolati- n all that the enemy hath done wickedly Sanctuary.
Thine enemies roare in the midst of thy Con- tions: they set vp their ensignes *for* signes.
A man was famous, according as he had lifted vpon the thicke trees.
But now they breake downe the carued worke f at once, with axes and hammers.
They haue cast fire into thy Sanctury: they filed *by casting downe* the dwelling place of me to the ground.
They said in their hearts, Let vs † destroy them t: they haue burnt vp all the Synagogues God in the land.
We see not our signes, *there is* no more any et, neither *is there* among vs any that know- w long.
O God, how long shall the aduersary reproch? the enemy blaspheme thy Name for euer?
Why withdrawest thou thy hand, euen thy and? plucke it out of thy bosome.
For God *is* my King of old, working saluation midst of the earth.
Thou didst † diuide the Sea by thy strength: akest the heads of the ‖ dragons in the
Thou brakest the heads of Leuiathan in pieces, est him to be meat to the people inhabiting lde-nesse.
Thou didst cleaue the fountaine and the hou driedst vp † mighty riuers.
The day *is* thine, the night also *is* thine: thou pared the light and the Sunne.
Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: st † made Summer and Winter.
Remember this, *that* the enemy hath reproached, O LORD; and *that* the foolish people haue blasphemed thy Name.
O deliuer not the soule of thy turtle doue vnto the multitude *of the wicked*: forget not the congregation of thy poore for euer.
Haue respect vnto the couenant: for the darke places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.
O let not the oppressed returne ashamed: let the poore and needy praise thy Name.
Arise, O God, plead thine owne cause: remember how the foolish man reproacheth thee daily.
Forget not the voyce of thine enemies: the tumult of those that rise vp against thee, † increaseth continually. † *Heb.* *ascendeth*

PSAL. LXXV.

1 The People praiseth God. 2 He promiseth to iudge vprightly. 4 He rebuketh the proud, by consideration of Gods prouidence. 9 He praiseth God, and protesteth to execute iustice.

¶ ‖To the chiefe Musician, Al-taschith, A Psalme *or* Song of Asaph. ‖ *Or, to the chiefe Musician* [*ouer*] *a Psalme or Song for Asaph.*

VNto thee, O God, do we giue thanks, vnto thee doe we giue thankes: for that thy Name *is* neere, thy wonderous workes declare.
2 ‖When I shall receiue the Congregation, I will iudge vprightly. ‖ *Or, when I shall take a fit time.*
3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolued: I beare vp the pillars of it. Selah.
4 I said vnto the fooles, Deale not foolishly: and to the wicked, Lift not vp the horne.
5 Lift not vp your horne on high: speake not with a stiffe necke.
6 ¶ For promotion *commeth* neither from the East, nor from the West, nor from the † South. † *Heb.* *desart.*
7 But God *is* the Iudge: he putteth downe one, and setteth vp another.
8 For in the hand of the LORD *there is a* cup, and the wine is red: it is full of mixture, and he powreth out of the same: but the dregges thereof all the wicked of the earth shall wring *them* out, *and* drinke *them*.
9 But I will declare *for* euer: I will sing praises to the God of Iacob.
10 All the hornes of the wicked also will I cut off: *but* the hornes of the righteous shall be exalted.

PSAL. LXXVI.

1 A declaration of Gods Maiestie in the Church. 11 An exhortation to serue him reuerently.

¶ To the chiefe Musician on Neginoth, A Psalme *or* Song ‖ of Asaph. ‖ *Or, for Asaph.*

IN Iudah is God knowne: his Name *is* great in Israel.
2 In Salem also is his Tabernacle, and his dwelling place in Sion.
3 There brake hee the arrowes of the bow, the shield and the sword, and the battell. Selah.
4 Thou art more glorious and excellent then the mountaines of prey.
5 The stout hearted are spoiled, they haue slept their sleepe: and none of the men of might haue found their hands.
6 At thy rebuke, O God of Iacob, both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead sleepe.
7 Thou, *euen* thou art to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry?
8 Thou didst cause iudgement to be heard from heauen: the earth feared, and was still,
9 When God arose to iudgement, to saue all the meeke of the earth. Selah.
10 Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restraine.

11 Vow

11 Vow, and pay vnto the LORD your God: let all that be round about him, bring presents † vnto him that ought to be feared.

† Hebr. to feare

12 Hee shall cut off the spirit of Princes: hee is terrible to the Kings of the earth.

PSAL. LXXVII.

1 The Psalmist sheweth what fierce combate hee had with diffidence. 10 The victory which hee had by consideration of Gods great and gracious workes.

¶ To the chiefe Musician to Ieduthun.

A Psalme ‖ of Asaph.

‖ Or, for Asaph.

I Cryed vnto God with my voyce: *euen* vnto God with my voyce, and he gaue eare vnto mee.

2 In the day of my trouble, I sought the Lord: † my sore ranne in the night, and ceased not: my soule refused to be comforted.

† Hebr. my hand

3 I remembred God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit was ouerwhelmed. Selah.

4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot speake.

5 I haue considered the dayes of old, the yeeres of ancient times.

6 I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine owne heart, and my spirit made diligent search.

7 Will the Lord cast off for euer? and will hee be fauourable no more?

8 Is his mercy cleane gone for euer? doth *his* promise faile † for euermore?

† Hebr. to generation and generation

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath hee in anger shut vp his tender mercies? Selah.

10 And I said, This is mine infirmity: *but I will remember* the yeeres of the right hand of the most High.

11 I will remember the workes of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.

12 I will meditate also of all thy worke; and talke of thy doings.

13 Thy way, O God, *is* in the Sanctuary: who *is* so great a God as *our* God?

14 Thou *art* the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.

15 Thou hast with *thine* arme redeemed thy people, the sonnes of Iacob and Ioseph. Selah.

16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee: they were afraid, the depths also were troubled.

17 † The clouds powred out water, the skies sent out a sound: thine arrowes also went abroad.

† Heb. the clouds were powred foorth with water.

18 The voyce of thy thunder *was* in the heauen: the lightenings lightned the world, the earth trembled and shooke.

19 Thy way *is* in the Sea, and thy path in the great waters: and thy footsteps are not knowne.

20 * Thou leddest thy people like a flocke, by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

* Exod. 14.19.

PSAL. LXXVIII.

1 An exhortation both to learne and to preach the Law of God. 9 The story of Gods wrath against the vnreadie and disobedient. 67 The Israelites being reiected, God chose Iudah, Sion, and Dauid.

¶ ‖ Maschil of Asaph.

‖ Or, A Psalme for Asaph to giue instruction.

GIue eare, O my people, to my Law: incline your eares to the words of my mouth.

2 * I will open my mouth in a parable: I will vtter darke sayings of old;

* Psal. 49.5. mat. 13.35.

3 Which wee haue heard and knowne: and our fathers haue told vs.

4 Wee will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come, the praises of the LORD: and his strength, and his wonderfull workes that hee hath done.

5 For hee established a Testimony in Iacob, and appointed a Law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers: * that they should make them known to their children:

6 That the generation to come might know them, *euen* the children *which* should bee borne: who should arise and declare *them* to their children:

7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the workes of God: but keepe his commandements,

8 And might not be as their fathers, a stubborne and rebellious generation, a generation † that prepared not their heart aright: and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.

† Hebr. that directed not

9 The children of Ephraim being armed *and* carrying bowes, turned backe in the day of battell.

10 They kept not the Couenant of God: and refused to walke in his Law:

11 And forgate his workes and his wonders that he had shewed them.

12 Marueilous things did he in the sight of their fathers: in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

13 * He diuided the Sea, and caused them to passe thorow: and hee made the waters to stand as an heape.

14 * In the day time also hee led them with a cloud: and all the night with a light of fire.

15 * He claue the rockes in the wildernesse, and gaue *them* drinke as *out* of the great depths.

16 He brought streames also out of the rocke, and caused waters to run downe like riuers.

17 And they sinned yet more against him: by prouoking the most High in the wildernesse.

18 And they tempted God in their heart: by asking meat for their lust.

19 * Yea, they spake against God: they said, Can God † furnish a table in the wildernesse?

† Hebr. prepare

20 * Behold, he smote the rocke, that the waters gushed out, and the streames ouerflowed: can he giue bread also? can hee prouide flesh for his people?

21 Therefore the LORD heard *this*, and was wroth, so a fire was kindled against Iacob, and anger also came vp against Israel.

22 Because they beleeued not in God, and trusted not in his saluation:

23 Though hee had commanded the cloudes aboue: and opened the doores of heauen:

24 * And had rained downe Manna vpon them to eat, and had giuen them of the corne of heauen.

25 * Man did eat Angels food: hee sent them meat to the full.

26 He caused an East winde to blow in the heauen: and by his power hee brought in the South winde.

27 Hee rained flesh also vpon them as dust, † and feathered fowles like as the sand of the Sea.

† Hebr. winged

28 And he let it fall in the midst of their campe, round about their habitations.

29 So they did eat and were well filled: for he gaue them their owne desire.

30 They were not estranged from their lust: while their meat * was yet in their mouthes,

31 The wrath of God came vpon them, and slew the fattest of them: and † smote downe the chosen men of Israel.

† Hebr. bowed

32 For all this they sinned still: and beleeued not for his wonderous workes.

33 Therefore their dayes did he consume in vanity, and their yeeres in trouble.

34 When hee slew them, *then* they sought him: and they returned, and † prepared early vnto God.

† Hebr. rose

had they remembred that God was their
r and the high God, their redeemer.
Neuertheleſſe, they did flatter him with their
th: for they lied vnto him with their tongues.
For their heart was not right with him: neither were they ſtedfaſt in his Couenant.
But he being full of compaſſion, forgaue their
ity, and deſtroyed them not; yea many a time
d he his anger away, and did not ſtirre vp all
rath.
For he remembred that they were but fleſh: a
that paſſeth away, and commeth not againe.
How oft did they prouoke him in the wil-
erneſſe: and grieue him in the deſart?
They turned backe and tempted God: and
ed the holy one of Iſrael.
They remembred not his hand: nor the day
he deliuered them from the enemy:
how he had † wrought his ſignes in Egypt:
is wonders in the field of Zoan:
* And had turned their riuers into blood: and
floods that they could not drinke.
He ſent diuers ſorts of flies among them,
h deuoured them: and frogs which deſtroyed
them.
He gaue alſo their increaſe vnto the catter-
pillar, and their labour vnto the locuſt.
He † deſtroyed their vines with haile: and
Sycomore trees with † froſt.
He gaue vp their cattell alſo to the haile:
their flockes to † hot thunder-bolts.
He caſt vpon them the fiercenes of his anger,
wrath, and indignation, and trouble: by ſending euill angels among them.
He made a way to his anger, hee ſpared not
their ſoule from death: but gaue † their life ouer to peſtilence.
And ſmote all the firſt borne in Egypt: the
chiefe of their ſtrength in the tabernacles of Ham:
But made his owne people to goe forth like
ſheepe: and guided them in the wilderneſſe like
a flocke.
And he led them on ſafely, ſo that they feared
not: but the ſea * † ouerwhelmed their enemies.
And he brought them to the border of his Sanctuary, to this mountaine which his right
hand hath purchaſed.
He caſt out the heathen alſo before them, and
deuided them an inheritance by line: and made the
tribes of Iſrael to dwell in their tents.
Yet they tempted and prouoked the moſt high
God, and kept not his Teſtimonies:
But turned back, and dealt vnfaithfully like
their fathers: they were turned aſide like a deceitful bow.
For they prouoked him to anger with their
high places: and moued him to iealouſie with their graue images.
When God heard this, hee was wroth, and
greatly abhorred Iſrael:
So that he forſooke the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent which he placed among men,
And deliuered his ſtrength into captiuity: and
his glory into the enemies hand.
He gaue his people ouer alſo vnto the ſword,
and was wroth with his inheritance.
The fire conſumed their young men: and their
maids were not † giuen to marriage.
Their Prieſts fell by the ſword: and their
widowes made no lamentation.
Then the Lord awaked as one out of ſleep: and
like a mighty man that ſhouteth by reaſon of wine,

66 And he ſmote his enemies in the hinder parts:
he put them to a perpetuall reproch.
67 Moreouer, he refuſed the tabernacle of Ioſeph:
and chooſe not the tribe of Ephraim.
68 But choſe the tribe of Iudah: the mount Sion
which he loued.
69 And he built his Sanctuary like high palaces: † Hebr. founded.
like the earth which he hath † eſtabliſhed for euer. *1. Sam. 16, 11. 2 ſam. 7. 8
70 * He choſe Dauid alſo his ſeruant, and tooke
him from the sheepe-folds.
71 * † From following the ewes great with yong: *2. Sam. 5. 2. 1 chro 11. 2.
he brought him to feed Iacob his people, and Iſrael
his inheritance.
72 So he fed them according to the integrity of † Heb. from after.
his heart: and guided them by the skilfulneſſe of
his hands.

PSAL. LXXIX.

1 *The Pſalmiſt complaineth of the deſolation of Ieruſalem, 8 Hee prayeth for deliuerance, 13 and promiſeth thankefulneſſe.*

¶ A Pſalme † of Aſaph. † Or, for Aſaph.

O God, the heathen are come into thine inheritance, thy holy Temple haue they defiled;
they haue laid Ieruſalem on heapes.
2 The dead bodies of thy ſeruants haue they giuen to be meat vnto the foules of the heauen: the
fleſh of thy Saints vnto the beaſts of the earth.
3 Their blood haue they ſhed like water round
about Ieruſalem: and there was none to bury them. *Pſal. 44. 13. 79.
4 * We are become a reproch to our neighbors:
a ſcorne and deriſion to them that are round about vs.
5 * How long Lord, wilt thou be angry, for euer? * Pſalme 89. 45
ſhall thy iealouſie burne like fire? * Ieremie 10. 25.
6 * Powre out thy wrath vpon the heathen that * Eſay 64. 9.
haue not knowne thee: and vpon the kingdomes
that haue not called vpon thy Name.
7 For they haue deuoured Iacob: and laid waſte
his dwelling place.
8 * O remember not againſt vs, † former iniqui- † Or, the iniquities of them that were
ties, let thy tender mercies ſpeedily preuent vs: for before vs
we are brought very low.
9 Helpe vs, O God of our ſaluation, for the glo- † Hebr.
ry of thy Name: and deliuer vs, and purge away vengeance
our ſinnes, for thy Names ſake.
10 Wherefore ſhould the heathen ſay, Where † Hebr.
is there God? let him bee knowne among the hea- ſhine
then in our ſight, by the † reuenging of the bloud of arme.
thy ſeruants which is ſhed. † Hebr.
11 Let the ſighing of the priſoner come before reſerue the
thee, according to the greatneſſe of † thy power: children
† preſerue thou thoſe that are appointed to die. of death.
12 And render vnto our neighbours ſeuen fold † Hebr.
into their boſome, their reproch wherewith they to generation
haue reproched thee, O Lord. generation
13 So we thy people, and ſheepe of thy paſture,
will giue thee thanks for euer: we will ſhew forth
thy praiſe † to all generations.

PSAL. LXXX.

1 *The Pſalmiſt in his prayer complaineth of the miſeries of the Church. 8 Gods former fauours are turned into indgements. 14 He prayeth for deliuerance.*

¶ To the chiefe Muſician vpon Shoſhannim Eduth, A Pſalme † of Aſaph. † Or, for Aſaph.

Giue eare, O ſhepherd of Iſrael, thou that leadeſt Ioſeph like a flocke: thou that dwelleſt † Hebr.
betweene the Cherubims, ſhine forth. betweene
2 Before Ephraim, and Beniamin, and Manaſſeh, come for
ſtirre vp thy ſtrength: and † come and ſaue vs. ſaluation
3 Turne vs againe, O God: and cauſe thy face to vs.
to ſhine, and we ſhall be ſaued.

† Hebr. wilt thou fumeſt

4 O LORD God of hoſtes, how long † wilt thou be angry againſt the prayer of thy people?
5 Thou feedeſt them with the bread of teares: and giueſt them teares to drinke in great meaſure.
6 Thou makeſt vs a ſtriſe vnto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh among themſelues.
7 Turne vs againe, O God of hoſts, and cauſe thy face to ſhine, and we ſhalbe ſaued.
8 Thou haſt brought a vine out of Egypt: thou haſt caſt out the heathen, and planted it.
9 Thou preparedſt roome before it: and didſt cauſe it to take deepe root, and it filled the land.
10 The hils were couered with the ſhadow of it, and the boughes thereof were like † the goodly Cedars.

† Heb. the Cedars of God,

11 Shee ſent out her bowes vnto the Sea: and her branches vnto the riuer.
12 Why haſt thou then broken down her hedges: ſo that all they which paſſe by the way, do plucke her?
13 The boare out of the wood doth waſte it: and the wilde beaſt of the field doth deuoure it.
14 Returne, we beſeech thee, O God of hoſtes: looke downe from heauen, and behold, and viſite this vine:
15 And the vineyard wich thy right hand hath planted: and the branch that thou madeſt ſtrong for thy ſelfe.
16 It is burnt with fire, it is cut downe: they periſh at the rebuke of thy countenance.
17 Let thy hand be vpon the man of thy right hand: vpon the ſonne of man, whom thou madeſt ſtrong for thy ſelfe.
18 So will not we goe backe from thee: quicken vs, and wee will call vpon thy Name.
19 Turne vs againe, O LORD God of hoſtes: cauſe thy face to ſhine, and we ſhall be ſaued.

PSAL. LXXXI.

1 An exhortation to a ſolemne praiſing of God. 4 God challengeth that duty by reaſon of his benefits 8 God exhorting to obedience, complaineth of their diſobedience, which proueth their owne hurt.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician vpon Gittith. *A Pſalme* ‖ of Aſaph.

‖ Or, for Aſaph.

SIng a lond vnto God our ſtrength: make a ioyfull noyſe vnto the God of Iacob.
2 Take a Pſalme, and bring hither the timbrel: the pleaſant harpe with the pſaltery.
3 Blow vp the trumpet in the new Moone: in the time appointed, on our ſolemne feaſt day.
4 For this was a Statute for Iſrael: *and* a Law of the God of Iacob.
5 This he ordained in Ioſeph *for* a Teſtimony, when he went out ‖ through the land of Egypt: *where* I heard a language *that* I vnderſtood not.

‖ Or, againſt.

6 I remoued his ſhoulder from the burden: his hands † were delinered from the pots.
7 Thou calledſt in trouble, and I deliuered thee: I anſwered thee in the ſecret place of thunder: I * proued thee at the waters of ‖ Meribah. Selah.

† Hebr. paſſed away. * Exod. 17.6.

8 Heare, O my people, and I will teſtifie vnto thee: O Iſrael, if thou wilt hearken vnto mee:
9 There ſhall no ſtrange God be in thee: neither ſhalt thou worſhip any ſtrange god.
10 I *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

‖ Or, ſtriue. * Acts 13.8.

11 But my people would not hearken to my voice: and Iſrael would none of me.
12 * So I gaue them vp ‖ vnto their owne hearts luſt: and they walked in their owne counſels.

‖ Or, to the hardues of their hearts, or imagination.

13 O that my people had hearkened vnto me, Iſrael had walked in my wayes!
14 I ſhould ſoone haue ſubdued their enemies, and turned my hand againſt their aduerſaries.
15 The haters of the LORD ſhould haue ſubmitted themſelues vnto him: but their time ſhould haue endured for euer.
16 He ſhould haue fed them alſo with the fineſt of the wheat: and with honey out of the rocke ſhould I haue ſatisfied thee.

PSAL. LXXXII.

1 The Pſalmiſt hauing exhorted the Iudges 5 and reproued their negligence, 8 prayeth God to iudge.

¶ A Pſalme ‖ of Aſaph.

‖ Or, for Aſaph.

GOd ſtandeth in the congregation of the mighty: he iudgeth among the gods.
2 How long will ye iudge vniuſtly, and accept the * perſons of the wicked? Selah.
3 † Defend the poore and fatherleſſe: do iuſtice to the afflicted and needy.
4 * Deliuer the poore and needy: rid them out of the hand of the wicked.
5 They know not, neither will they vnderſtand: they walke on in darkeneſſe: all the foundations of the earth are † out of courſe.
6 * I haue ſaid, Ye *are* Gods; and all of you children of the moſt High:
7 But ye ſhall die like men: and fall like one of the Princes.
8 Ariſe, O God, iudge the earth: for thou ſhalt inherit all nations.

† Hebr. are moued.

PSAL. LXXXIII.

1 A complaint to God of the vniuſt enterprſes 9 A prayer againſt them: 13 an imprecation of the ſame.

¶ A Song or Pſalme ‖ of Aſaph.

‖ Or, for Aſaph.

KEepe not thou ſilence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not ſtill, O God.
2 For loe, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee, haue lifted vp the head.
3 They haue taken crafty counſell againſt thy people: and conſulted againſt thy hidden ones.
4 They haue ſaid, Come and let vs cut them off from being a nation: that the name of Iſrael may be no more in remembrance.
5 For they haue conſulted together with one † conſent: they are confederate againſt thee:
6 The Tabernacles of Edom, and the Iſhmaelites of Moab, and the Hagarenes.
7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek: the Philiſtines with the inhabitants of Tyre.
8 Aſſur alſo is ioyned with them: † they haue holpen the children of Lot. Selah.
9 * Doe vnto them as vnto the Midianite, as to Siſera, as to Iabin at the brooke of Kiſhon:
10 *Which* periſhed at Endor: they became as dung for the earth.
11 * Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their Princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna:
12 Who ſaid, Let vs take to our poſſeſſion the houſes of God in poſſeſſion.
13 O my God, make them like a wheele: as ſtubble before the wind.
14 As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame ſetteth the mountaines on fire:
15 So perſecute them with thy tempeſt: and make them afraid with thy ſtorme.
16 Fill their faces with ſhame, that they may ſeeke thy Name, O LORD.
17 Let them be confounded and troubled for euer: yea, let them be put to ſhame and periſh:
18 That men may know, that thou whoſe Name

a IEHOVAH: *art* the most High ouer all
arth.

PSAL. LXXXIIII.

The Prophet longing for the communion of the Church, 4 sheweth how blessed they are that dwell therin. 8 He prayeth to be restored vnto it.

To the chiefe Musician vpon Gittith. A Psalme
‖ for the sonnes of Korah.

HOw amiable *are* thy Tabernacles, O LORD of
hostes!
My soule longeth, yea, euen fainteth for the
rtes of the LORD: my heart and my flesh cryeth
or the liuing God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the
llow a nest for her selfe, where she may lay her
y, *euen* thine Altars, O LORD of hostes, my
ng and my God.
Blessed *are* they that dwell in thy house they
e still praising thee. Selah.
Blessed *is* the man whose strength *is* in thee: in
e heart *are* the wayes of them:
Who passing thorow the valley of Baca make
Well: the raine also † filleth the pooles.
They goe ‖ from strength to strength, *euery*
them in Zion appeareth before God.
LORD God of hostes, heare my prayer: giue
O God of Iacob. Selah.
Behold, O God our shield: and looke vpon
ace of thine Anointed.
For a day in thy courts *is* better then a thou-
: I had rather be a doore keeper in the house
my God, then to dwell in the tents of wickednes.
For the LORD God *is* a Sunne and shield: the
will giue grace & glory: no good thing will
withhold from them that walke vprightly.
O LORD of hostes: blessed *is* the man that tru-
in thee.

PSAL. LXXXV.

The Psalmist out of the experience of former mercies prayeth for the continuance thereof. 8 He resolueth to wait therein, out of confidence of Gods iust.

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme ‖ for
the sonnes of Korah.

ORD thou hast beene ‖ fauourable vnto thy
nd: thou hast brought backe the captiuity
ob.
Thou hast forgiuen the iniquity of thy peo-
thou hast couered all their sinne. Selah.
Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast
d thy selfe from the fiercenesse of thine anger.
urne vs, O God of our saluation: and cause
ine anger towards vs to cease.
Wilt thou be angry with vs for euer? wilt
draw out thine anger to all generations?
Wilt thou not reuiue vs againe: that thy peo-
may reioyce in thee?
Shew vs thy mercy, O LORD: and grant vs thy
ion.
I will heare what God the LORD will speake:
he will speake peace vnto his people, and to his
nts: but let them not turne againe to folly.
Surely his saluation *is* nigh them that feare
m, that glory may dwell in our land.
Mercy and truth are met *together*: righteous-
and peace haue kissed *each other*.
Truth shall spring out of the earth: & right-
sse shall looke downe from heauen.
Yea the LORD shall giue that which is good:
our land shall yeelde her increase.
Righteousnesse shall goe before him: and shall
t us in the way of his steps.

PSAL. LXXXVI.

1 Dauid strengtheneth his prayer by the conscience of his religion. 5 by the goodnesse and power of God. 11 He desireth the continuance of former grace: 14 complaining of the proud, he craueth some token of Gods goodnesse.

¶ A prayer of Dauid.

BOw downe thine eare, O LORD, heare me: for
I *am* poore and needy.
2 Preserue my soule, for I *am* ‖ holy: O thou my
God, saue thy seruant that trusteth in thee.
3 Be mercifull vnto me, O Lord: for I cry vnto
thee ‖ dayly.
4 Reioyce the soule of thy seruant: for vnto thee
(O Lord) doe I lift vp my soule.
5 *For thou Lord *art* good, and ready to for-
giue: and plenteous in mercy vnto all them that
call vpon thee.
6 Giue eare, O LORD, vnto my prayer: and at-
tend to the voyce of my supplications.
7 In the day of my trouble I will call vpon thee
for thou wilt answere me.
8 Among the gods *there is* none like vnto thee
(O Lord:) *neither are there any workes like vn-
to thy workes.
9 All nations whom thou hast made, shall come
and worship before thee, O Lord: and shall glori-
fie thy Name.
10 For thou *art* great, and doest wonderous
things: *thou *art* God alone.
11 *Teach me thy way, O LORD, I wil walk in
thy trueth: vnite my heart to feare thy Name.
12 I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my
heart: and I will glorifie thy Name for euermore.
13 For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou
hast deliuered my soule from the lowest ‖ hell.
14 O God, the proud are risen against me, and the
assemblies of † violent men haue sought after my
soule: and haue not set thee before them.
15 *But thou, O Lord, *art* a God full of compas-
sion, and gracious: long-suffering, and plenteous in
mercy and truth.
16 O turne vnto me, and haue mercy vpon me:
giue thy strength vnto thy seruant: and saue the
sonne of thine handmaid.
17 Shew me a token for good, that they which
hate me, may see *it*, and be ashamed: because thou
LORD hast holpen me, and comforted me.

Or, a prayer being a psalme of Dauid.

Or, vnto whom thou shewest.

† Or, all the day.

* Ioel 2.13.

* Deut. 3.24.

* Deut. 8 4. & 32. 39. isa. 37. 16 & 44 6. mat. 11 29. ephes. 4. 6. 1. cor. 8. 4.

* Psa. 25. 7 & 119. 33

Or, great ‖ Heb. terrible.

* Deut. 34 4. num. 14 18. psal 103 8 & 139. 4 and 143. 8.

PSAL. LXXXVII.

1 The nature and glory of the Church. 4 The increase, honour, and comfort of the members thereof.

¶ A Psalme or song ‖ for the
sonnes of Korah.

Or, of.

HIs foundation *is* in the holy mountaines.
2 The LORD loueth the gates of Zion:
more then all the dwellings of Iacob.
3 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O citty of
God. Selah.
4 I will make mention of Rahab, and Babylon,
to them that know me: behold, Philistia, & Tyre,
with Ethiopia: this man was borne there.
5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that
man was borne in her: and the Highest himselfe
shall establish her.
6 The LORD shall count when he writeth vp
the people: *that* this man was borne there. Selah.
7 As well the singers as the players on instru-
ments *shall be there*: all my springs *are* in thee.

PSAL. LXXXVIII.

A Prayer containing a grieuous complaint.

¶ A song or Psalme ‖ for the sonnes of Korah, to the
chiefe

Or, of.

chiefe Musician vpon Mahalath Leannoth, ‖ Maschil of Heman the Ezrahite.

‖ Or, a Psalme of Heman the Ezrahite giuing instruction.

O LORD God of my saluation, I haue cryed day *and* night before thee.

2 Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine eare vnto my cry.

3 For my soule is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh vnto the graue.

4 I am counted with them that goe downe into the pit: I am as a man *that hath* no strength.

5 Free among the dead, like the slaine that lie in the graue, whom thou remembrest no more: and they are cut off ‖ from thy hand.

‖ Or, by thy hand.

6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit: in darknesse in the deepes.

7 Thy wrath lyeth hard vpon me: and thou hast afflicted me with all thy waues. Selah.

8 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance farre from me: thou hast made me an abomination vnto them: *I am* shut vp and cannot come foorth.

9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction, LORD, I haue called dayly vpon thee; I haue stretched out my hands vnto thee.

10 Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise *and* praise thee? Selah.

11 Shall thy louing kindnesse bee declared in the graue? *or* thy faithfulnesse in destruction?

12 Shall thy wonders bee knowne in the darke? and thy righteousnesse in the land of forgetfulnes?

13 But vnto thee haue I cryed, O LORD, and in the morning shall my prayer preuent thee.

14 LORD, why castest thou off my soule? *why* hidest thou thy face from me?

15 I am afflicted and ready to die from *my* youth vp: *while* I suffer thy terrours, I am distracted.

16 Thy fierce wrath goeth ouer me: thy terrours haue cut me off.

‖ Or, all the day.

17 They came round about mee ‖ daily like water: they compassed me about together.

18 Louer and friend hast thou put far from mee: *and* mine acquaintance *into* darkenesse.

PSAL. LXXXIX.

1 The Psalmist praiseth God for his couenant, 5 for his wonderfull power, 15 for the care of his Church, 19 for his fauour to the kingdome of Dauid 38 Then complaining of contrary euents: 49 hee expostulateth prayeth, and blesseth God.

¶ Maschil of Ethan the Ezrahite.

‖ Or, a Psalme for Ethan the Ezrahite to giue instruction.

I Will sing of the mercies of the LORD for euer: with my mouth will I make knowne thy faithfulnesse † to all generations.

† Heb. to generation & generation.

2 For I haue said, Mercie shall bee built vp for euer: thy faithfulnesse shalt thou establish in the very heauens.

3 I haue made a couenant with my chosen: I haue ‖ sworne vnto Dauid my seruant.

‖ Heb. to sweare.

4 Thy seed will I establish for euer: and build vp thy throne † to all generations. Selah.

† Heb. to generation and generation.

5 And the heauens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulnesse also in the Congregation of the Saints.

6 For who in the heauens can be compared vnto the LORD? *who* among the sonnes of the mighty can be likened vnto the LORD?

7 God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the Saints: and to be had in reuerence of all them *that are* about him.

8 O LORD God of hostes, who *is* a strong LORD like vnto thee? or to thy faithfulnesse round about thee?

9 Thou rulest the raging of the Sea: when the waues thereof arise thou stillest them.

10 Thou hast broken ‖ Rahab in pieces, as one that is slaine: thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arme.

‖ Or, as one that is wounded to death.

11 * The heauens *are* thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world and the fulnesse thereof, thou hast founded them.

12 The North and the South, thou hast created them: Tabor & Hermon shall reioyce in thy Name.

13 Thou *hast* † a mighty arme: strong is thy hand, *and* high is thy right hand.

14 Iustice and iudgement are the ‖ habitation of thy throne: mercy & truth shall go before thy face.

15 Blessed *is* the people that know the ioyfull sound: they shall walke, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

16 In thy Name shall they reioyce all the day, and in thy righteousnesse shall they be exalted.

17 For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy fauour our horne shall be exalted.

18 For the ‖ LORD is our defence: and the holy One of Israel is our King.

19 Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and said, I haue laid helpe vpon one that is mighty: I haue exalted one chosen out of the people.

20 * I haue found Dauid my seruant: with my holy Oyle haue I anointed him.

21 With whom my hand shall be established: mine arme also shall strengthen him.

22 The enemy shall not exact vpon him: nor the sonne of wickednesse afflict him.

23 And I will beate downe his foes before his face: and plague them that hate him.

24 But my faithfulnes and my mercy shall be with him: and in my Name shall his horne be exalted.

25 I will set his hand also in the Sea: and his right hand in the riuers.

26 He shall cry vnto me, Thou *art* my father, my God, and the Rocke of my saluation.

27 Also I will make him *my* first borne, higher then the Kings of the earth.

28 My mercy will I keepe for him for euermore, and my Couenant shall stand fast with him.

29 His seed also will I make *to endure* for euer, and his throne as the dayes of heauen.

30 If his children forsake my Law, and walke not in my iudgements

31 If they ‖ breake my Statutes, and keepe not my Commandements:

32 Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquitie with stripes.

33 Neuerthelesse my louing kindnesse will I not vtterly take from him: nor ‖ suffer my faithfulnesse to faile.

34 My Couenant will I not breake, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

35 Once haue I sworne by my holinesse ‖ that I will not lie vnto Dauid.

36 * His seed shall endure for euer, and his throne as the Sunne before me.

37 It shall be established for euermore as the Moone, and as a faithfull witnesse in heauen. Selah.

38 But thou hast cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with thine anointed.

39 Thou hast made voyd the couenant of thy seruant: thou hast prophaned his crowne by casting it to the ground.

40 Thou hast broken downe all his hedges: thou hast brought his strong holds to ruine.

41 All that passe by the way spoile him: he is a reproach to his neighbours.

42 Thou hast set vp the right hand of his aduersaries: thou hast made all his enemies to re-

ſ Thou haſt alſo turned the edge of his ſword: haſt not made him to ſtand in the battell.
ſ Thou haſt made his † glory to ceaſe: and his throne downe to the ground.
ſ The dayes of his youth haſt thou ſhortened: haſt couered him with ſhame. Selah.
ſ How long, LORD, wilt thou hide thy ſelfe, ever? ſhall thy wrath burne like fire?
ſ Remember how ſhort my time is: where- haſt thou made all men in vaine?
ſ What man *is he that* liueth, and ſhall not ſee ath? ſhall he deliuer his ſoule from the hand of grane? Selah.
ſ Lord, where *are* thy former louing kindneſſes, hich thou *ſwareſt vnto Dauid in thy truth?
ſ Remember (Lord) the reproach of thy ſer- nts: *how* I doe beare in my boſome *the reproch* all the mighty people.
ſ Wherewith thine enemies haue reproched, O RD: wherewith they haue reproched the foot- ps of thine Anointed.
ſ Bleſſed *be* the LORD for euermore, Amen, and en.

PSAL. XC.

Moſes ſetting foorth Gods prouidence, 3 com- meth of humane frailitie, 7 diuine chaſtiſe- ments, 10 and breuitie of life. 12 Hee prayeth for knowledge and ſenſible experience of Gods good uidence.

¶ A prayer of Moſes the man of God.

ORd, thou haſt beene our dwelling place † in all generations.
Before the mountaines were brought forth, or thou hadſt formed the earth and the world: om euerlaſting to euerlaſting thou *art* God.
Thou turneſt man to deſtruction, and ſayeſt, turne ye children of men.
For a thouſand yeeres in thy ſight, *are but* as erday when it is paſt: and *as* a watch in the ht.
Thou carrieſt them away as with a flood, they *are* aſleepe: in the morning, they *are* like graſſe ch groweth vp.
In the morning it flouriſheth, and groweth in the euening it is cut downe, and withereth.
For we are conſumed by thine anger: and by wrath are we troubled.
Thou haſt ſet our iniquities before thee: our et ſinnes in the light of thy countenance.
For all our dayes are † paſſed away in thy ath: we ſpend our yeres ‖ as a tale *that is told.*
† The dayes of our yeeres *are* threeſcore yeres ten, and if by reaſon of ſtrength, they *be* foure- ſcore yeeres, yet is their ſtrength labour and ſor- for it is ſoone cut off, and we flie away.
Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even cording to thy feare, ſo *is* thy wrath.
So teach vs to number our dayes, that we may ly our hearts vnto wiſedome.
Returne (O LORD) how long? and let it re- thee concerning thy ſeruants.
O ſatisfie vs early with thy mercy: that wee reioyce and be glad all our dayes.
Make vs glad according to the daies *wherein* haſt afflicted vs: *and* the yeeres *wherein* wee ſeene euill.
Let thy worke appeare vnto thy ſeruants: and ory vnto their children.
And let the beautie of the LORD our God be vs, and eſtabliſh thou the worke of our hands vs: yea, the worke of our hands eſtabliſh it.

PSAL. XCI.

1 The ſtate of the godly. 5 Their ſafetie. 9 Their habitation. 11 Their ſeruants. 14 Their friend, with the effects of them all.

HEe that dwelleth in the ſecret place of the moſt High: ſhall † abide vnder the ſhadow of the Almighty. † *Hebr.* lodge.
I will ſay of the LORD, Hee *is* my refuge, and my fortreſſe: my God, in him will I truſt.
Surely hee ſhall deliuer thee from the ſnare of the Fowler: *and* from the noiſome peſtilence.
Hee ſhall couer thee with his feathers, and vnder his wings ſhalt thou truſt: his trueth ſhall be *thy* ſhield and buckler.
Thou ſhalt not bee afraid for the terrour by night: *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day:
Nor for the peſtilence *that* walketh in darke- neſſe: *nor* for the deſtruction *that* waſteth at noone day.
A thouſand ſhall fall at thy ſide, and tenne thouſand at thy right hand: *but* it ſhall not come nigh thee.
Onely with thine eyes ſhalt thou behold: and ſee the reward of the wicked.
Becauſe thou haſt made the LORD, *which is* my refuge, *euen* the moſt High, thy habitation:
There ſhall no euill befall thee: neither ſhall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
For hee ſhall giue his Angels charge ouer thee: to keepe thee in all thy wayes. * Mat. 4. 6 luk. 4. 10.
They ſhall beare thee vp in *their* hands: leſt thou daſh thy foot againſt a ſtone.
Thou ſhalt tread vpon the Lyon, and ‖ Adder: the young Lyon and the Dragon ſhalt thou trample vnder feet. ‖ Or, Aſpe
Becauſe he hath ſet his loue vpon mee, therefore will I deliuer him: I will ſet him on high, becauſe he hath knowne my Name.
Hee ſhall call vpon mee, and I will anſwere him: I *will be* with him in trouble, I will deliuer him, and honour him.
With † long life will I ſatisfie him: and ſhew him my ſaluation. † *Hebr.* length of dayes.

PSAL. XCII.

1 The Prophet exhorteth to praiſe God, 4 for his great workes, 6 for his iudgements on the wicked, 10 and for his goodneſſe to the godly.

¶ A Pſalme *or* Song for the Sabbath day.

IT is a good thing to giue thankes vnto the LORD; and to ſing *praiſes* vnto thy Name, O moſt High:
To ſhew foorth thy louing kindneſſe in the morning: and thy faithfulneſſe, † euery night. † *Hebr.* in the nights.
Vpon an inſtrument of ten ſtrings, and vpon the Pſaltery: vpon the ‖ harpe with a ſolemne ſound. ‖ Or, vpon the ſolemne ſound, with the harpe.
For thou LORD haſt made me glad through thy worke: I will triumph in the workes of thy hands. *Heb.* Higgaion.
O LORD, how great are thy workes! *and* thy thoughes are very deepe.
A brutiſh man knoweth not: neither doeth a foole vnderſtand this.
When the wicked ſpring as the graſſe, and when all the workers of iniquity doe flouriſh, *it is* that they ſhalbe deſtroyed for euer.
¶ But thou, LORD, art *moſt* high for euermore.
For loe, thine enemies, O LORD, for loe, thine enemies ſhall periſh: all the workers of iniquity ſhalbe ſcattered.
But my horne ſhalt thou exalt like *the horne of*

an vnicorne: I shalbe anointed with fresh oyle.

11 Mine eye also shall see *my desire* on mine enemies: *and* mine eares shall heare *my desire* of the wicked that rise vp against me.

12 * The righteous shall flourish like the palme tree: he shall grow like a Cedar in Lebanon.

*Hosea 14.5.

13 Those that bee planted in the house of the LORD, shall flourish in the courts of our God.

14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age: they shalbe fat and † flourishing:

† Hebr. greene.

15 To shew that the LORD *is* vpright: *he is* my rocke, and *there is* no vnrighteousnesse in him.

PSAL. XCIII.

The Maiestie, power, and holinesse of Christs Kingdome.

THE LORD reigneth, hee is clothed with Majesty: the LORD is clothed with strength, *wherewith* hee hath girded himselfe: the world also is stablished, that it cannot bee moued.

† Hebr. from then.

2 Thy throne is established † of old: thou *art* from euerlasting.

3 The floods haue lifted vp, O LORD, the floods haue lifted vp their voyce: the floods lift vp their waues.

4 The LORD on high *is* mightier then the noise of many waters, *yea then* the mightie waues of the Sea.

† Heb. to length of dayes.

5 Thy Testimonies are very sure: holinesse becommeth thine house, O LORD † for euer.

PSAL. XCIIII.

1 The Prophet calling for iustice, complaineth of tyranny and impietie. 8 Hee teacheth Gods prouidence. 12 He sheweth the blessednesse of afflictions. 16 God is the defender of the afflicted.

O LORD † God, to whom vengeance belongeth: O God to whom vengeance belongeth, † shew thy selfe.

† Hebr. God of reuenges.

2 Lift vp thy selfe, thou Iudge of the earth, render a reward to the proude.

† Hebr. shine forth.

3 LORD, how long shall the wicked? how long shall the wicked triumph?

4 *How long* shall they vtter *and* speake hard things? *and* all the workers of iniquitie boast themselues?

5 They breake in pieces thy people, O LORD: and afflict thine heritage.

6 They slay the widow and the stranger: and murder the fatherlesse.

*psal. 10. 11. 13. pro. 20. 12

7 *Yet they say, The LORD shall not see: neither shall the God of Iacob regard *it*.

8 Vnderstand, yee brutish among the people; and ye fooles, when will ye be wise?

* Exod. 4. 11.

9 *He that planted the eare, shall he not heare? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?

10 Hee that chastiseth the heathen, shall not hee correct: he that teacheth man knowledge *shall not hee know?*

* 1 Cor. 3. 20.

11 *The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man that they *are* vanity.

12 Blessed *is* the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD: and teachest him out of thy Law:

13 That thou mayest giue him rest from the dayes of aduersitie: vntill the pit bee digged for the wicked.

14 For the LORD will not cast off his people: neither will he forsake his inheritance.

15 But iudgement shall returne vnto righteousnesse: and all the vpright in heart † shall follow it.

† Hebr. shalbe after it.

16 Who will rise vp for mee against the euill doers? or who will stand vp for mee against the workers of iniquity?

17 Vnlesse the LORD *had beene* my helpe: my soule had ‖ almost dwelt in silence.

18 When I said, my foot slippeth: thy mercie O LORD, held me vp.

19 In the multitude of my thoughtes within me, thy comforts delight my soule.

20 Shall the throne of iniquity haue fellowship with thee: which frameth mischiefe by a law?

21 They gather themselues together against the soule of the righteous: and condemne the innocent blood.

22 But the LORD is my defence: and my God is the rocke of my refuge.

23 And he shall bring vpon them their owne iniquity, and shall cut them off in their owne wickednesse: *yea*, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

PSAL. XCV.

1 An exhortation to praise God; 3 for his greatnesse, 6 and for his goodnesse. 8 and not to prouoke him.

O Come let vs sing vnto the LORD; let vs make a ioyfull noise to the rocke of our saluation.

2 Let vs † come before his presence with thanksgiuing: and make a ioyfull noise vnto him with Psalmes.

3 For the LORD *is* a great God: and a great King aboue all gods.

4 † In his hand are the deepe places of the earth: ‖ the strength of the hils is his also.

5 † The Sea *is* his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.

6 O come let vs worship, and bow downe: let vs kneele before the LORD our Maker.

7 For he *is* our God, and we *are* the people of his pasture, and the sheepe of his hand: to day if you will heare his voyce,

8 * Harden not your hearts, *as in the prouocation: and as in the day of * temptation, in the wildernesse:

9 When your fathers tempted me: proued me, and saw my worke.

10 Fourtie yeeres long was I grieued with this generation, and said: It is a people that do erre in their heart: and they haue not known my wayes.

11 Vnto whom I sware in my wrath † that they should not enter into my rest.

PSAL. XCVI.

1 An exhortation to praise God, 4 for his greatnesse, 8 for his Kingdome, 11 for his good Iudgement.

O * Sing vnto the LORD a new song: sing vnto the LORD all the earth.

2 Sing vnto the LORD, blesse his Name: shew forth his saluation from day to day.

3 Declare his glory among the heathen: his wonders among all people.

4 For the LORD *is* great, and greatly to be praised: he *is* to be feared aboue all gods.

5 For all the gods of the nations *are* idols: but the LORD made the heauens.

6 Honour and maiestie *are* before him: strength and beauty *are* in his Sanctuary.

7 Giue vnto the LORD (ye kindreds of the people) giue vnto the LORD glory and strength.

8 Giue vnto the LORD the glory † due vnto his Name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.

9 O worship the LORD ‖ in the beauty of holinesse: feare before him all the earth.

10 *Say among the heathen *that* the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be stablished, that it shall not be moued: he shall iudge the people righteously.

11 Let the heauens reioyce, and let the earth

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...t let the sea roare and the fulnesse thereof.
...Let the field be ioyfull and all that is therein.
...then shall all the trees of the wood reioyce
...Before the LORD, for he commeth, for he commeth to iudge the earth: he shall iudge the world with righteousnesse, and the people with his truth.

PSAL. XCVII.

The maiesty of Gods Kingdome. 7 *The Church ioyeth at Gods iudgements vpon Idolaters.* 10 *An exhortation to godlinesse and gladnesse.*

THE LORD reigneth, let the earth reioyce: let the † multitude of Iles be glad thereof.
Clouds and darkenesse *are* round about him: righteousnes and iudgement are the ‖ habitation of his throne.
A fire goeth before him: and burneth vp his enemies round about.
His lightnings enlightned the world: the earth saw, and trembled.
The hils melted like waxe at the presence of the LORD: at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
The heauens declare his righteousnesse: and all the people see his glory.
Confounded bee all they that serue grauen images, that boast themselues of idoles: worship him all yee gods.
Sion heard, and was glad, and the daughters of Iudah reioyced: because of thy iudgements, O LORD.
For thou LORD, *art* high aboue all the earth: thou art exalted farre aboue all gods.
Yee that loue the LORD, hate euill: hee preserueth the soules of his Saints: he deliuereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
Light is sowen for the righteous: and gladnesse for the vpright in heart.
Reioyce in the LORD, ye righteous: and giue thanks ‖ at the remembrance of his holinesse.

PSAL. XCVIII.

The Psalmist exhorteth the Iewes, 4 *the Gentiles and all the creatures, to praise God.*

¶ A Psalme.

SIng vnto the LORD a new song, for he hath done marueilous things: his right hand, and his holy arme hath gotten him the victory.
The LORD hath made knowne his saluation: his righteousnesse hath hee ‖ openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
He hath remembred his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth haue seene the saluation of our God.
Make a ioyfull noise vnto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, & reioyce and sing praise.
Sing vnto the LORD with the harpe: with the harpe and the voyce of a Psalme.
With trumpets, and sound of cornet: make a ioyfull noise before the LORD the King.
Let the Sea roare, and the fulnesse thereof: the world, and they that dwell therein.
Let the floods clap *their* hands: let the hils be ioyfull together
before the LORD: * for he commeth to iudge the earth: with righteousnesse shall he iudge the world, and the people with equitie.

PSAL. XCIX.

The Prophet sitting foorth the Kingdome of Sion, 5 *exhorteth all by the example of the Iewes to worship GOD at his holy hill.*

THE LORD reigneth, let the people tremble: *he sitteth betweene* the Cherubims, let the earth be

2 The LORD *is* great in Zion: and he *is* high aboue all people.
3 Let them praise thy great and terrible Name: *for it is* holy.
4 The King's strength also loueth iudgement: thou dost establish equity: thou executest iudgement and righteousnesse in Iacob.
5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstoole: *for* ‖ he is holy.
6 Moses and Aaron among his Priests, and Samuel among them that call vpon his Name: they called vpon the LORD, and he answered them.
7 He spake vnto them in the cloudy pillar: they kept his Testimonies, and the ordinance *that* he gaue them.
8 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: thou wast a God that forgauest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inuentions.
9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill: for the LORD our God is holy.

‖ Or, *is holy.*

PSAL. C.

An exhortation to praise God thereafully, 3 *for his greatnesse,* 4 *and for his power.*

¶ A Psalme of ‖ praise.

MAke a ioyfull noise vnto the Lord, † all yee lands.
2 Serue the LORD with gladnes: come before his presence with singing.
3 Know ye that the LORD he *is* God, *it is he that* hath made vs, and ‖ not we our selues: we are his people, and the sheepe of his pasture.
4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiuing, *and* into his courts with praise: bee thankefull vnto him, *and* blesse his Name.
5 For the LORD *is* good, his mercy *is* euerlasting: and his truth endureth † to all generations.

‖ Or, *thanksgiuing.* † Heb. *all the earth.*

PSAL. CI.

Dauid maketh a vow and profession of godlinesse.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

I Will sing of mercy and iudgement: vnto thee O LORD, will I sing.
2 I will behaue my selfe wisely in a perfect way: O when wilt thou come vnto me? I will walke within my house with a perfect heart.
3 I will set no † wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the worke of them that turne aside: it shall not cleaue to me.
4 A froward heart shall depart from me, I will not know a wicked person.
5 Whoso priuily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high looke, and a proud heart will not I suffer. 31.13.18.
6 Mine eyes *shall be* vpon the faithfull of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh ‖ in a perfect way, he shall serue me.
7 He that worketh deceit, shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies, † shall not tary in my sight.
8 I will early destroy all the wicked of the land: that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

† Heb. *thing of Belial.* ‖ Or, *perfect in the way.* † Heb. *shall not be stablished.*

PSAL. CII.

1 *The Prophet in his prayer maketh a grieuous complaint.* 12 *He taketh comfort in the eternity and mercy of God.* 18 *The mercies of God are to be recorded.* 23 *He sustaineth his weakenesse by the vnchangeablenesse of God.*

¶ A prayer ‖ of the afflicted when hee is ouerwhelmed, and powreth out his complaint before the LORD.

HEare my prayer, O LORD: and let my cry come vnto thee.

‖ Or, *for.*

2 Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble, encline thine eare vnto me: in the day when I call, answere me speedily.

‖Or, (as some read) into smoake. 3 For my dayes are consumed ‖like smoake: and my bones are burnt as an hearth.

4 My heart is smitten and withered like grasse: so that I forget to eat my bread.

5 By reason of the voyce of my groaning: my ‖Or, flesh. bones cleave to my ‖skin.

6 I am like a Pelicane of the wildernes: I am like an owle of the desart.

7 I watch, and am as a sparrow alone vpon the house top.

8 Mine enemies reproch mee all the day: and they that are mad against me, are sworn against me.

9 For I have eaten ashes like bread: and mingled my drinke with weeping.

10 Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: for thou hast lifted me vp, and cast me downe.

*Isa.40.6. Iam.1.10. 11 *My dayes are like a shadow that declineth: and I am withered like grasse.

12 But thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever: and thy remembrance vnto all generations.

13 Thou shalt arise, and have mercy vpon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time is come.

14 For thy servants take pleasure in her stones: and favour the dust thereof.

15 So the heathen shall feare the Name of the LORD: and all Kings of the earth thy glory.

16 When the LORD shall build vp Zion: hee shall appeare in his glory.

17 Hee shall regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.

18 This shall bee written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created, shall praise the LORD.

19 For he hath looked downe from the height of his Sanctuary: from heaven did the LORD behold the earth:

20 To heare the groaning of the prisoner: to †Heb. the children of death. loose † those that are appointed to death:

21 To declare the Name of the LORD in Zion: and his praise in Ierusalem:

22 When the people are gathered together: and the kingdomes to serve the LORD.

† Heb. afflicted. 23 Hee † weakened my strength in the way: hee shortened my dayes.

24 I said, O my God, take mee not away in the midst of my dayes: thy yeeres are throughout all generations.

*Heb.1.10 25 *Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the worke of thy hands.

† Heb. As a vesture. 26 They shall perish, but thou shalt † endure, yea all of them shall waxe old like a garment: as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shalbe changed.

27 But thou art the same: and thy yeeres shall have no end.

28 The children of thy servants shall continue: and their seed shalbe established before thee.

PSAL. CIII.

1 An exhortation to blesse God for his mercy, 15 and for the constancy thereof.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

BLesse the LORD, O my soule: and all that is within me, blesse his holy Name.

2 Blesse the LORD, O my soule: and forget not all his benefits.

3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities: who healeth all thy diseases.

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction: who crowneth thee with loving kindnesse and tender mercies.

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things: so that thy youth is renewed like the Eagles.

6 The LORD executeth righteousnesse: and iudgement for all that are oppressed.

7 Hee made knowne his wayes vnto Moses, his acts vnto the children of Israel.

8 *The LORD is mercifull and gracious: slow to anger, and † plenteous in mercy.

9 Hee will not alwayes chide: neither will he keepe his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with vs after our sinnes, nor rewarded vs according to our iniquities.

11 For † as the heaven is high above the earth: so great is his mercy toward them that feare him.

12 As farre as the East is from the West: so farre hath he removed our transgressions from vs.

13 Like as a father pitieth his children: so the LORD pitieth them that feare him.

14 For he knoweth our frame: he remembreth that we are dust.

15 As for man, his dayes are as grasse: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

16 For the wind passeth over it, and † it is gone: and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting vpon them that feare him: and his righteousnesse vnto children's children.

18 *To such as keepe his covenant: and to those that remember his commandements to do them.

19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens: and his kingdome ruleth over all.

20 Blesse the LORD, yee his Angels † that excell in strength, that doe his commandements: hearkening vnto the voyce of his word.

21 Blesse ye the LORD, all ye his hosts: ye ministers of his that doe his pleasure.

22 Blesse the LORD, all his workes in all places of his dominion: blesse the LORD, O my soule.

PSAL. CIIII.

1 A meditation vpon the mighty power, wonderfull providence of God. 31 Gods glory eternall. 33 The Prophets vowth purposing praise God.

BLesse the LORD, O my soule, O LORD my God thou art very great: thou art clothed with honour and majesty.

2 Who coverest thy selfe with light, as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtaine.

3 Who layeth the beames of his chambers in the waters, who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh vpon the wings of the wind.

4 * Who maketh his Angels spirits: his ministers a flaming fire.

5 † Who laid the foundations of the earth: that it should not be removed for ever.

6 Thou coveredst it with thee deepe as with a garment: the waters stood above the mountaines.

7 At thy rebuke they fled: at the voyce of thy thunder they hasted away.

8 ‖They goe vp by the mountaines: they goe downe by the valleys, vnto the place which thou hast founded for them.

9 Thou hast set a bound that they may not passe: that they turne not againe to cover the earth.

10 † Hee sendeth the springs into the valleys: *which* † run among the hills.

11 They give drinke to every beast of the field: the wilde asses † quench their thirst.

12 By them shall the fowles of the heaven have their habitation: *which* † sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hils from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of [illegible]

Psal. 104.

14 He causeth the grasse to grow for the cattell, and herbe for the seruice of man: † that he may bring foorth food out of the earth:

15 And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, † oyle to make his face to shine: and bread which strengtheneth mans heart.

16 The trees of the LORD are full *of sappe*: the cedars of Lebanon which he hath planted:

17 Where the birds make their nestes: as for the storke, the firre trees *are* her house.

18 The high hils *are a* refuge for the wild goates: and the rockes for the conies.

19 He appointed the Moone for seasons: the Sun knoweth his going downe.

20 Thou makest darkenes, and it is night: wherein all the beasts of the forrest doe creepe forth.

21 The young lyons roare after their pray: and seeke their meat from God.

22 The Sunne ariseth, they gather themselues together, and lay them downe in their dennes.

23 Man goeth forth vnto his worke, and to his labour, vntill the euening.

24 O LORD, how manifold are thy workes! in wisedome hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.

25 So *is* this great and wide Sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable: both small and great beasts.

26 There goe the ships: † *there* is that Leuiathan, whom thou hast † made to play therein.

27 These wait all vpon thee: that thou mayest giue them their meat in due season.

28 That thou giuest them they gather: thou openest thine hand they are filled with good.

29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die: and returne to their dust.

30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

31 The glory of the LORD † shall endure for euer: the LORD shall reioyce in his workes.

32 He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoake.

33 I will sing vnto the LORD as long as I liue: I will sing praise to my God, while I haue my being.

34 My meditation of him shall be sweete: I will be glad in the LORD.

35 Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more: blesse thou the LORD, O my soule. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CV.

An exhortation to praise God, & to seeke out his workes. 7 The story of Gods prouidence ouer Abraham ouer Ioseph, 23 ouer Iacob in Egypt, 26 ouer Moses deliuering the Israelites, 37 ouer the Israelites bringing them out of Egypt, & their wilderdes, & planting in Canaan.

1 Giue * thankes vnto the LORD, call vpon his Name: make knowne his deedes among the people.

2 Sing vnto him, sing Psalmes vnto him: talke ye of all his woondrous workes.

3 Glorye ye in his holy Name, let the heart of them reioyce that seeke the LORD.

4 Seeke the LORD, and his strength: seeke his face euermore.

5 Remember his marueilous works that he hath done, his wonders, & the iudgements of his mouth,

6 O seed of Abraham his seruant: ye children of Iacob his chosen.

7 He is the LORD our God: his iudgements *are* in all the earth.

8 He hath remembred his couenant for euer: the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations.

9 * Which couenant he made with Abraham: and his oath vnto Isaac.

10 And confirmed the same vnto Iacob for a law: *and* to Israel *for* an euerlasting couenant:

11 * Saying, Vnto thee will I giue the land of Canaan: † the lot of your inheritance.

12 When they were *but* a few men in number: yea, very few, and strangers in it,

13 When they went from one nation to another: from *one* kingdome to another people.

14 He suffered no man to doe them wrong: yea, he reproued kings for their sakes:

15 * *Saying*, Touch not mine anointed: and doe my Prophets no harme.

16 Moreouer, he called for a famine vpon the land: he brake the whole staffe of bread.

17 He sent a man before them: *euen* * Ioseph *who* was sold for a seruant.

18 * Whose feet they hurt with fetters: † hee was laid in yron.

19 Vntill the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.

20 * The King sent and loosed him: † *euen* the ruler of the people, and let him goe free.

21 * He made him lord of his house: and ruler of all his † substance:

22 To binde his princes at his pleasure: and teach his Senators wisedome.

23 * Israel also came into Egypt: and Iacob sojourned in the land of Ham.

24 And he increased his people greatly: and made them stronger then their enemies.

25 * He turned their heart to hate his people: † to deale subtilly with his seruants.

26 * He sent Moses his seruant: *and* Aaron whom he had chosen.

27 * They shewed his † signes among them: and wonders in the land of Ham.

28 * He sent darkenesse and made it darke: and they rebelled not against his word.

29 * He turned their waters into blood: and slew their fish.

30 * The land brought forth frogs in abundance: in the chambers of their Kings.

31 * He spake, and there came diuers sorts of flies: *and* lice in all their coasts.

32 * † He gaue them haile for raine: *and* flaming fire in their land.

33 He smote their vines also, and their figtrees: and brake the trees of their coasts.

34 * He spake and the locusts came: and caterpillars, and that without number:

35 And did eate vp all the hearbes in their land: and deuoured the fruit of their ground.

36 * He smote also all the first borne in their land: the chiefe of all their strength.

37 * He brought them forth also with siluer and gold: and *there was* not one feeble person among their tribes.

38 * Egypt was glad when they departed: for the feare of them fell vpon them.

39 * He spread a cloud for a couering: and fire to giue light in the night.

40 * *The people* asked, and he brought quailes: and satisfied them with the bread of heauen.

41 * He opened the rocke, and the waters gushed out: they ran in the dry places *like* a riuer.

42 For he remembred his holy promise: *and* Abraham his seruant,

*Gen. 17. 2. & 22. 16. & 26. 3. & 28. 13. & 35. 11. Iuk. 1. 73. Heb. 6. 17.
*Gen. 13. 15. & 15. 10.
† Heb. the coard.
* Gene. 37. 28.
* Gene. 39. 20.
† Hebr. his soule came into yron.
* Gen. 41. 14.
* Gen. 41. 40.
† Hebr. possession.
* Gen. 46. 6.
* Exod. 1. 8.
*Exod. 3. 10.
* Exod. 7. 9.
† Hebr. words of his signes.
*Exod. 10. 22.
*Exod. 7. 20.
*Exod. 8. 6.
*Exod. 8. 17. & 24.
*Exod. 9. 23.
† Hebr. he gaue their rain haile.
*Exod. 10. 4
*Exod. 12. 29.
*Exod. 12. 33
*Exod. 13. 21.
*Exod. 16. 12.
*Exo. 17. 6. num. 20. 11. 1. corint. 9. 4.

43 And he brought forth his people with ioy:
† Hebr. singing: and his chosen with † gladnesse:
* Iosh. 13 27. deut. 6.10. 44 * And gaue them the lands of the heathen:
and they inherited the labour of the people:
45 That they might obserue his statutes; and
keepe his lawes. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CVI.

1 The Psalmist exhorteth to praise God. 4 Hee prayeth for pardon of sin, as God did with the fathers. 7 The story of the peoples rebellion, & Gods mercy. 47 He concludeth with prayer and praise.

† Hebr. Hallelu-iah. † PRaise ye the LORD, O * giue thankes vnto the
LORD, for he *is* good: for his mercy *endureth*
for euer.
* Psal. 107.1. 118.1. & 136.1. 2 *Who can vtter the mighty actes of the LORD?
* Iudges 13.21. *who* can shew foorth all his praise?
3 Blessed *are they* that keepe iudgement; *and* he
that doth righteousnesse at all times.
4 Remember me, O LORD, with the fauour *that*
thou beerest vnto thy people: O visit me with thy
saluation;
5 That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I
may reioyce in the gladnesse of thy nation: that I
may glory with thine inheritance.
* Iudges 7.19. 6 * We haue sinned with our fathers: we haue
committed iniquity, we haue done wickedly.
* Exod. 14. 11, 12, 21. 7 Our fathers vnderstood not thy wonders in E-
gypt, they remembred not the multitude of thy
mercies: * but prouoked *him* at the sea, *euen* at
the red sea.
* Exod. 14.27. & 15.5. 8 Neuertheles, he saued the for his Names sake:
that he might make his mighty power to be knowne.
* Exod. 14.21. & 15.1. 9 He rebuked the red Sea also, and it was dryed
vp: so he led them through the depths as through
the wildernesse.
* Exod. 15.14. 17.2. † Hebr. they made haste, they forgat. 10 And he saued them from the hand of him that
hated *them*: and redeemed them from the hand of
the enemy.
11 * And the waters couered their enemies: there
was not one of them left.
12 * Then beleeued they his words: they sang
his praise.
* Exod. 17.2. 1. cor. 10.6. † Hebr. dusted a dust. 13 * † They soone forgate his workes: they wai-
ted not for his counsell:
14 * But † lusted exceedingly in the wildernes:
and tempted God in the desart.
15 * And he gaue them their request: but sent
leanenesse into their soule.
* Numb. 11.31. 16 * They enuied Moses also in the campe: *and*
Aaron the Saint of the LORD.
* Numb. 16.2. 17 * The earth opened and swallowed vp Dathan:
and couered the company of Abiram.
* Numb. 16.31. deu. 11.6 18 * And a fire was kindled in their company: the
flame burnt vp the wicked.
19 * They made a calfe in Horeb: and worship-
ped the molten image.
* Numb. 16.35. & 26. 20 Thus they changed their glory into the simi-
litude of an oxe that eateth grasse.
* Exod. 32.4. 21 They forgat God, their Sauiour: which had
done great things in Egypt:
* Exod. 32.13. 22 Wonderous workes in the land of Ham: *and*
terrible things by the red Sea.
23 * Therefore hee said that hee would destroy
them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in
the breach: to turne away his wrath, lest he should
destroy *them*.
† Hebr. a land of desire. 24 Yea they despised † the pleasant land: they
beleeued not his word:
* Numb. 14.2. 25 * But murmured in their tents: *and* hearkned
not vnto the voice of the LORD.
26 Therefore he lifted vp his hand against them:
to ouerthrow them in the wildernesse,
27 † To ouerthrow their seed also among the na-
tions, and to scatter them in the lands.
28 * They ioyned themselues also vnto Baal-
Peor: and ate the sacrifices of the dead.
29 Thus they prouoked *him* to anger with their
inuentions: and the plague brake in vpon them.
30 * Then stood vp Phinehas, and executed iudge-
ment: and so the plague was stayed.
31 And that was counted vnto him for right-
ousnesse vnto all generations for euermore.
32 * They angred *him* also at the waters of strife:
so that it went ill with Moses for their sakes:
33 Because they prouoked his Spirit: so that he
spake vnadmisedly with his lips.
34 * They did not destroy the nations, concerning
whom the LORD commanded them,
35 * But were mingled among the heathen, and
learned their workes.
36 And they serued their Idoles: which were a
snare vnto them.
37 Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daugh-
ters vnto deuils.
38 And shed innocent blood, *euen* the blood of
their sonnes and of their daughters, whom they sa-
crificed vnto the idols of Canaan: and the land was
polluted with blood.
39 Thus were they defiled with their owne workes,
and went a whoring with their owne inuentions.
40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kin-
led against his people: insomuch that he abhorred
his owne inheritance.
41 And he gaue them into the hand of the hea-
then: and they that hated them ruled ouer them.
42 Their enemies also oppressed them: and they
were brought into subiection vnder their hand.
43 * Many times did he deliuer them: but they
prouoked *him* with their counsell, and were
brought low for their iniquity.
44 Neuertheless, he regarded their affliction,
when he heard their cry.
45 * And he remembred for them his Couenant,
and repented according to the multitude of his
mercies.
46 He made them also to be pitied of all those
that carried them captiues.
47 Saue vs, O LORD our God, and gather vs
from among the heathen, to giue thankes vnto
thy holy Name, *and* to triumph in thy praise.
48 Blessed *bee* the LORD God of Israel from
euerlasting to euerlasting: and let all the people
say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CVII.

1 The Psalmist exhorteth the redeemed to praise God, to obserue his manifold prouidence ouer trauellers, 10 ouer captiues, 17. ouer fooles, 23 ouer seamen. 33 and in diuers varieties of

O * Giue thankes vnto the LORD, for *he* is
good: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so: whom
he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy,
3 And gathered them out of the lands from the
East, and from the West: from the North, and from
the South.
4 They wandred in the wildernesse, in a solita-
ry way: they found no citie to dwell in.
5 Hungry and thirsty: their soule fainted in
them.
6 Then they cryed vnto the LORD in their trou-
ble: *and* he deliuered them out of their distresses.
7 And he led them foorth by the right way, that
they might goe to a city of habitation.
8 O that men would praise the LORD for his

ſtreſſe: and for his wonderfull workes to the
dren of men.
For he ſatisfieth the longing ſoule: and filleth
hungry ſoule with goodneſſe.
Such as ſit in darkeneſſe, and in the ſhadow of
th being bound in affliction and yron:
Becauſe they rebelled againſt the words of
and contemned the counſell of the moſt High:
Therefore he brought downe their heart with
ur: they fell down, & there was none to helpe.
Then they cryed vnto the LORD in their trou-
and he ſaued them out of their diſtreſſes.
He brought them out of darkenes, and the ſha-
of death: and brake their barres in ſunder.
O that men would praiſe the LORD for his
neſſe: and for his wonderfull workes to the
dren of men.
For he hath broken the gates of braſſe: and
the barres of yron in ſunder.
Fooles becauſe of their tranſgreſſion, and be-
e of their iniquities are afflicted.
*Their ſoule abhorreth all manner of meat:
they draw neere vnto the gates of death.
Then they cry vnto the LORD in their trouble:
oeth them out of their diſtreſſes.
He ſent his Word, and healed them: and de-
red them from their deſtructions.
O that men would praiſe the LORD for his
neſſe: and for his wonderfull workes to the
dren of men.
And let them ſacrifice the ſacrifice of thank-
ng: and declare his workes with †reioycing.
They that goe downe to the ſea in ſhips: that
buſineſſe in great waters,
These ſee the workes of the LORD: and his
ders in the deepe.
For he commandeth, and †raiſeth the ſtormy
d: which lifteth vp the waues thereof.
They mount vp to the heauen: they goe down
ne to the depths: their ſoule is melted becauſe
rouble.
They reele to and fro, and ſtagger like a
ken man; and †are at their wits end.
Then they cry vnto the LORD in their trouble:
he bringeth them out of their diſtreſſes.
He maketh the ſtorme a calme: ſo that the
eſthereof are ſtill.
Then are they glad becauſe they be quiet: ſo
ringeth them vnto their deſired hauen.
O that men would praiſe the LORD for his
neſſe: and for his wonderfull workes to the
dren of men.
Let them exalt him alſo in the Congregation
e people: and praiſe him in the aſſembly of
lders.
He turneth riuers into a wilderneſſe; and the
ſprings into dry ground.
A fruitfull land into †barrenneſſe: for the
dneſſe of them that dwell therein.
*He turneth the wilderneſſe into a ſtanding
r: and dry ground into water-ſprings.
And there hee maketh the hungry to dwell,
they may prepare a city for habitation.
And ſow the fields, and plant vineyards, which
yeeld fruit of increaſe.
He bleſſeth them alſo, ſo that they are multi-
greatly, and ſuffereth not their cattell to de-
Againe, they are miniſhed and brought low,
oppreſſion, affliction and ſorrow.
He poureth contempt vpon Princes: and cau-
them to wander in the wildernes, where there
41 *Yet ſetteth he the poore on high‖ from af- *1 Sam.
fliction: and maketh him families like a flocke. 8. pſ.113.
42 *The righteous ſhall ſee it and reioyce: and 7. & 8. v.
all iniquity ſhall ſtop her mouth. ‖Or, after.
43 Whoſo is wiſe, and will obſerue thoſe things; *Iob. 22.
euen they ſhall vnderſtand the louing kindneſſe of 12. 19.
the LORD. & 5. 16.

PSAL. CVIII.

1 Dauid encourageth himſelfe to praiſe God. 5 He prayeth for Gods aſſiſtance, according to his promiſe. 11 His confidence in Gods helpe.

¶ A Song or Pſalme of Dauid.

1 O God my heart is fixed: I will ſing and giue
praiſe, euen with my glory.
2 Awake Pſalterie and Harpe: I my ſelfe will
awake early.
3 I will praiſe thee, O LORD, among the peo-
ple: and I will ſing praiſes vnto thee among the
Nations.
4 For thy mercy is great aboue the heauens: and
thy truth *reacheth* vnto the ‖clouds. ‖Or, skies.
5 *Be thou exalted, O God, aboue the heauens: *Pſal.
and thy glory aboue all the earth: 60. 7.
6 That thy beloued may be deliuered: ſaue with
thy right hand, and anſwere me.
7 God hath ſpoken in his Holineſſe, I will re-
ioyce, I will diuide Shechem: and mete out the ual-
ley of Succoth.
8 Gilead is mine, Manaſſeh is mine, Ephraim alſo
is the ſtrength of mine head: Iudah is my Lawgiuer:
9 Moab, is my waſhpot, ouer Edom will I caſt
out my ſhooe: ouer Philiſtia will I triumph.
10 Who will bring me into the ſtrong City?
who will leade me into Edom?
11 Wilt not thou, O God, who haſt caſt vs off? and
wilt not thou, O God, goe forth with our hoſts?
12 Giue vs helpe from trouble: for vaine is the
helpe of man.
13 Through God we ſhall doe valiantly: for hee
it is that ſhall tread downe our enemies.

PSAL. CIX.

1 Dauid complaineth of his ſlanderous enemies: vnder the perſon of Iudas dinoteth them. 16 His ſheweth their ſinne. 21 Complaining of his owne miſery, hee prayeth for helpe. 29 Hee promiſeth thankefulneſſe.

¶ To the chiefe Muſician. A Pſalme of Dauid.

1 Hold not thy peace, O God, of my praiſe.
2 For the mouth of the wicked, & the †mouth †Hebr.
of the deceitfull are opened againſt mee: they mouth of
haue ſpoken againſt me with a lying tongue. deceit.
3 They compaſſed mee about alſo with words of †Hebr.
hatred: and fought againſt me without a cauſe. haue ſpe-
4 For my loue they are my aduerſaries: but I ned with
giue my ſelfe vnto prayer. ſelues.
5 And they haue rewarded me euill for good:
and hatred for my loue.
6 Set thou a wicked man ouer him: and let
‖Satan ſtand at his right hand. ‖Or, aduer-
7 When hee ſhall be iudged, let him be †con- ſary.
demned: and let his prayer become ſinne. †Hebr.
8 *Let his dayes bee few: *and* let another take *Act. 1.
his ‖office. 20. ‖Or,
9 Let his children be fatherleſſe: and his wife charge.
a widow.
10 Let his children bee continually vagabonds,
and beg: let them ſeeke *their bread* alſo out of
their deſolate places.
11 Let the extortioner catch all that hee hath:
and let the ſtranger ſpoyle his labour.
12 Let there be none to extend mercy vnto him:

neither let there bee any to fauour his fatherlesse children.

13 Let his posterity be cut of: and in the generation following let their name be blotted out.

14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembred with the LORD: and let not the sinne of his mother be blotted out.

15 Let them be before the LORD continually: that he may cut off the memory of them from the earth.

16 Because that he remembred not to shew mercy, but persecuted the poore and needy man: that hee might euen slay the broken in heart.

17 As he loued cursing, so let it come vnto him: as he delighted not in blessing, so let it bee farre from him.

18 As he clothed himselfe with cursing, like as with his garment: so let it come into † his bowels like water, and like oyle into his bones.

† Hebr. within him.

19 Let it be vnto him as the garment *which* couereth him: and for a girdle *wherewith* he is girded continually.

20 Let this bee the reward of mine aduersaries from the LORD: and of them that speake euill against my soule.

21 But doe thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy Names sake: because thy mercy *is* good: deliuer thou me.

22 For I *am* poore *and* needy: and my heart is wounded within me.

23 I am gone like the shadow when it declineth: I am tossed vp and downe as the locust.

24 My knees are weake through fasting: and my flesh faileth of fatnesse.

25 I became also a reproach vnto them: *when* they looked vpon me, they shaked their heads.

26 Helpe me, O LORD my God: O saue mee according to thy mercy.

27 That they may know that this *is* thy hand: *that* thou LORD hast done it.

28 Let them curse, but blesse thou: when they arise let thē be asshamed, but let thy seruant reioyce.

29 Let mine aduersaries be clothed with shame: and let them couer themselues with their own confusion, as with a mantle.

30 I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth: yea, I will praise him among the multitude.

31 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poore: to saue *him* from those that condemne his soule.

† Heb. from the iudges of his soule.

PSAL. CX.

1 The Kingdome: 4 The Priesthood: 5 The conquest: 7 And the Passion of Christ.

† A Psalme of Dauid.

THE * LORD said vnto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand: vntill I make thine enemies thy footestoole.

* Matth. 22.44. mar. 12. 36. luk. 20.42. act. 2.34. 1. cor. 15. 25. heb. 1.13.

2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: Rule thou in the middest of thine enemies.

3 Thy people *shall be* willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holines from the wombe of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.

‖ Or, more then the wombe of the morning thou shalt haue &c.

4 * The LORD hath sworne, and will not repent, thou *art* a priest for euer: after the order of Melchizedek.

* Heb 5. 6. & 7. 17, 21.

5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through Kings in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall iudge among the heathen, he shall fill *the places* with the dead bodies: hee shall wound the heads ouer ‖ many countreyes.

‖ Or, great

7 Hee shall drinke of the brooke in the way: therefore shall he lift vp the head.

PSAL. CXI.

1 The Psalmist by his example inciteth others to praysе God for his glorious, 5 and gracious workes.
10 The feare of God breedeth true wisedome.

† PRaise ye the LORD: I will praise the LORD with *my* whole heart: in the assembly of the vpright and *in the* Congregation.

2 The workes of the LORD *are* great: sought out of all them that haue pleasure therein.

3 His worke *is* honourable and glorious: and his righteousnesse endureth for euer.

4 Hee hath made his wonderfull workes to be remembred: the LORD *is* gracious, and full of compassion.

5 He hath giuen meat vnto them that feare him: he will euer be mindfull of his Couenant.

6 Hee hath shewed his people the power of his workes: that he may giue them the inheritage of the heathen.

7 The workes of his hands *are* verity and iudgement: all his Commandements are sure.

8 They † stand fast for euer and euer: *and are* done in truth and vprightnesse.

9 He sent redemption vnto his people, he hath commanded his Couenant for euer: holy and reuerend is his Name.

10 * The feare of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisedome: ‖ a good vnderstanding haue all they † that do *his Commandements*: his praise endureth for euer.

† Or, his commandments.

PSAL. CXII.

1 Godlinesse hath the promises of this life, and of the life to come. 10 The prosperity of the godly shall be an eye-sore to the wicked.

† PRaise yee the LORD; Blessed *is* the man that feareth the LORD: that delighteth greatly in his commandements.

2 His seede shall be mighty vpon earth: the generation of the vpright shall be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches *shall be* in his house: and his righteousnesse endureth for euer.

4 Vnto the vpright there ariseth light in the darknesse: he *is* gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

5 A good man sheweth fauour and lendeth: he will guide his affaires with † discretion.

6 Surely he shall not be moued for euer: the righteous shall be in euerlasting remembrance.

7 Hee shall not bee afraid of euill tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

8 His heart *is* established, he shall not be afraid vntill he see *his desire* vpon his enemies.

9 * He hath dispersed, he hath giuen to the poore: his righteousnes endureth for euer: his horne shall be exalted with honour.

10 The wicked shall see it and be grieued, he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

PSAL. CXIII.

1 An exhortation to praise God for his excellencie, 6 for his mercy.

† PRaise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye seruants of the LORD: praise the Name of the LORD.

2 * Blessed *be* the Name of the LORD, from this time forth and for euermore.

3 * From the rising of the Sunne, vnto the going downe of the same: the LORDS Name *is* to be praised.

4 The LORD *is* high aboue all Nations: and his glory aboue the heauens.

5 Who *is* like vnto the LORD our God *that* † dwelleth on high?

Who humbleth himselfe to behold *the things* that are in heauen, and in earth?

7 He raiseth vp the poore out of the dust: and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill:

8 That he may set *him* with Princes, *even* with the Princes of his people.

9 He maketh the barren woman † to keepe house, and to bee a ioyfull mother of children: praise yee the LORD.

PSAL. CXIIII.

An exhortation by the example of the dumbe creatures, to feare God in his Church.

WHen Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Iacob, from a people of strange language:

2 Iudah was his sanctuary: *and* Israel his dominion.

3 *The sea saw it, and fled: Iordan was driuen backe.

4 The mountaines skipped like rams: *and* the little hils like lambes.

5 What *ailed* thee, O thou sea, that thou fledst? thou Iordan, that thou wast driuen backe?

6 Yee mountaines, *that* yee skipped like rams; and yee little hils like lambes?

7 Tremble thou earth at the presence of the Lord: at the presence of the God of Iacob:

8 *Which turned the rocke into a standing water: the flint into a fountaine of waters.

PSAL. CXV.

Because God is truly glorious, 4 and idoles are vaine: 9 He exhorteth to Confidence in God. 12 And to be blessed for his blessings.

NOt vnto vs, O LORD, not vnto vs, but vnto thy Name giue glory: for thy mercy *and* for thy truths sake.

2 *Wherefore should the heathen say: Where is now their God?

3 *But our God *is* in the heauens: he hath done whatsoeuer he pleased.

4 *Their idoles *are* siluer and gold: the worke of mens hands.

5 They *haue* mouthes, but they speake not: eyes haue they, but they see not.

6 They *haue* eares, but they heare not: noses haue they, but they smell not.

7 They *haue* hands, *but* they handle not: feet haue they, but they walke not: neither speake they through their throat.

8 They that make them are like vnto them: *so is* euery one that trusteth in them.

9 O Israel trust thou in the LORD: hee *is* their helpe and their shield.

10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he *is* their helpe, and their shield.

11 Yee that feare the LORD, trust in the LORD: he is their helpe, and their shield.

12 The LORD hath beene mindfull of vs, hee will blesse *vs*, he will blesse the house of Israel: he will blesse the house of Aaron.

13 He will blesse them that feare the LORD: both small and great.

14 The LORD shall increase you more and more: you and your children.

15 *Yee are* blessed of the LORD: which made heauen and earth.

16 The heauen, *euen* the heauens *are* the LORDS: but the earth hath hee giuen to the children of men.

17 The dead praise not the LORD: neither *any* that goe downe into silence.

18 *But we will blesse the LORD from this time forth and for euermore. Praise the LORD.

PSAL. CXVI.

1 The Psalmist professeth his loue & duty to God for his deliuerance. 12 He studieth to be thankefull.

I Loue the LORD † because hee hath heard my voyce, *and* my supplications.

2 Because hee hath inclined his eare vnto mee: therefore will I call vpon *him* † as long as I liue.

† *Hebr.* *in my dayes.*

3 *The sorrowes of death compassed me, and the paines of hell † gate hold vpon me: I found trouble and sorrow.

* Psal. 18.5.6.

† *Hebr.* *found me.*

4 Then called I vpon the Name of the LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee deliuer my soule.

5 Gracious is the LORD and righteous: yea, our God is mercifull.

6 The LORD preserueth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.

7 Returne vnto thy rest, O my soule: for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.

8 For thou hast deliuered my soule from death: mine eyes from teares, *and* my feet from falling.

9 I will walke before the LORD: in the land of the liuing.

10 *I beleeued, therefore haue I spoken: I was greatly afflicted.

* 2. Cor. 4.13.

11 I said in my haste: *All men are lyars.

* Rom. 3.4.

12 What shall I render vnto the LORD: *for* all his benefits towards me?

13 I will take the cup of saluation: and call vpon the Name of the LORD.

14 I will pay my vowes vnto the LORD: now in the presence of all his people.

15 Precious in the sight of the LORD: is the death of his Saints.

16 Oh LORD, truely I *am* thy seruant, I *am* thy seruant, *and* the sonne of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.

17 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thankesgiuing: and will call vpon the Name of the LORD.

18 I will pay my vowes vnto the LORD: now in the presence of all his people:

19 In the courts of the LORDS house: in the midst of thee, O Ierusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CXVII.

An exhortation to praise God for his mercy and truth.

O *Praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him all yee people.

* Rom. 15.11.

2 For his mercifull kindnesse is great toward vs: and the truth of the LORD *endureth* for euer. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CXVIII.

1 An exhortatiō to praise God for his mercy. 5 The Psalmist, by his experience, sheweth how good it is to trust in God. 19 Vnder the type of the Psalmist, the comming of Christ in his kingdome is expressed.

O *Giue thankes vnto the LORD, for he *is* good: because his mercy *endureth* for euer.

* Psal. 106.1.& 107.1.& 136.1. 1. chron. 16.7.

2 Let Israel now say: that his mercy *endureth* for euer.

3 Let the house of Aaron now say: that his mercy *endureth* for euer.

4 Let them now that feare the LORD, say: that his mercy *endureth* for euer.

5 I called vpon the LORD † in distresse: the LORD answered me, *and set me* in a large place.

† *He'br.* *out of distresse.*

6 *The LORD *is* † on my side, I will not feare: what can man doe vnto mee?

* Heb. 13. 6. Psal. 56.4.11.

† *Hebr.* *for me.*

7 The LORD taketh my part, with them that helpe me: therefore shall I see *my desire* vpon them that hate mee.

8 It *is* better to trust in the LORD † then to put confidence in man.

9 * It *is* better to trust in the LORD: then to
*Psal. 146.3. put confidence in Princes.
10 All nations compassed mee about: but in the
† *Heb. cut them off.* Name of the LORD will I † destroy them.
11 They compassed me about, yea, they compassed
mee about: *but* in the Name of the LORD I will
destroy them.
12 They compassed me about like Bees, they are
quenched as the fire of thornes: for in the Name of
† *Heb. cut down.* the LORD I will † destroy them.
13 Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall:
but the LORD helped me.
* *Exod. 15.2. Isa. 12.2.* 14 * The LORD *is* my strength and song: and is
become my saluation.
15 The voyce of reioycing and saluation *is* in the
tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the
LORD doth valiantly.
16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the
right hand of the LORD doth valiantly.
17 I shall not die, but liue: and declare the
workes of the LORD.
18 The LORD hath chastened me sore: but hee
hath not giuen mee ouer vnto death.
19 Open to me the gates of righteousnes: I will
goe into them, *and* I will praise the LORD:
20 This gate of the LORD: into which the
righteous shall enter.
21 I will praise thee, for thou hast heard mee:
and art become my saluation.
* *Mat. 21. 42. mark 12.10. luke 20. 17. acts 4. 11. 1. pet. 2.4.* 22 * The stone *which* the builders refused, is be-
come the head *stone* of the corner.
† *He br. this is from the LORD.* 23 † This is the LORDS doing: it is marueilous
in our eyes.
24 This *is* the day *which* the LORD hath made:
we will reioyce and be glad in it.
25 Saue now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD
I beseech thee, send now prosperity.
* *Matth. 21.9.* 26 * Blessed *be* he that commeth in the Name of
the LORD, we haue blessed you out of the house of
the LORD.
27 God *is* the LORD, which hath shewed vs light,
bind the sacrifice with cords: euen vnto the
hornes of the Altar.
28 Thou *art* my God, and I will praise thee:
thou art my God, I will exalt thee.
29 O giue thankes vnto the LORD, for hee *is*
good: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.

PSAL. CXIX.

This Psalme containeth sundry prayers, praises, and professions of Obedience.

ALEPH.

Or, perfect or sincere. BLessed *are* the † vndefiled in the way: who
walke in the Law of the LORD.
2 Blessed *are* they that keepe his Testimonies:
and *that* seeke him with the whole heart.
3 They also doe no iniquity: they walke in his
wayes.
4 Thou hast commanded *vs* to keepe thy pre-
cepts diligently.
5 O that my wayes were directed to keepe thy
Statutes!
6 Then shall I not be ashamed: when I haue re-
spect vnto all thy Commandements.
7 I will praise thee with vprightnesse of heart:
† *Hebr. Iudgements of thy righteousnes.* when I shall haue learned † thy righteous iudge-
ments.
8 I will keepe thy Statutes: O forsake mee not
vtterly.

BETH.

9 Wherewithall shall a young man cleanse his
way? by taking heed *thereto* according to thy
word.
10 With my whole heart haue I sought thee: O
let me not wander from thy commandements.
11 Thy word haue I hid in mine heart, that I
might not sinne against thee.
12 Blessed *art* thou, O LORD: teach me thy
Statutes.
13 With my lips haue I declared all the iudge-
ments of thy mouth.
14 I haue reioyced in the way of thy testimonies,
as *much as* in all riches.
15 I will meditate in thy precepts: and haue re-
spect vnto thy wayes.
16 I will delight my selfe in thy Statutes: I will
not forget thy word.

GIMEL.

17 Deale bountifully with thy seruant, that I
may liue and keepe thy word.
18 † Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold
wondrous things out of thy Law.
19 * I *am* a stranger in the earth: hide not thy
Commandements from me.
20 My soule breaketh for the longing that it
hath vnto thy iudgements at all times.
21 Thou hast rebuked the proude *that are* cursed,
which doe erre from thy commandements.
22 Remoue from mee reproach and contempt:
for I haue kept thy Testimonies.
23 Princes also did sit, *and* speake against me:
but thy seruant did meditate in thy Statutes.
24 Thy Testimonies also *are* my delight *and*
† my counsellers.

DALETH.

25 My soule cleaueth vnto the dust: quicken
thou me according to thy word.
26 I haue declared my wayes, and thou heardest
mee: * teach me thy Statutes.
27 Make me to vnderstand the way of thy pre-
cepts: so shall I talke of thy wonderous workes.
28 My soule † melteth for heauinesse: strength-
thou me according to thy word.
29 Remoue from me the way of lying: and grant
me thy Law graciously.
30 I haue chosen the way of truth: thy iudge-
ments haue I laid *before me*.
31 I haue stucke vnto thy testimonies: O LORD
put mee not to shame.
32 I will runne the way of thy Commandements
when thou shalt enlarge my heart.

HE.

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy Statutes,
and I shall keepe it *vnto* the end.
34 Giue me vnderstanding, and I shall keepe thy
law: yea, I shall obserue it with my whole heart.
35 Make me to goe in the path of thy Comman-
dements: for therein doe I delight.
36 Incline my heart vnto thy Testimonies: and
not to couetousnesse.
37 † Turne away mine eyes from beholding vo-
nity: *and* quicken thou me in thy way.
38 Stablish thy word vnto thy seruant, who is
deuoted to thy feare.
39 Turne away my reproach which I feare: for
thy iudgements *are* good.
40 Behold, I haue longed after thy precepts:
quicken me in thy righteousnesse.

VAV.

41 Let thy mercies come also vnto me, O LORD,
euen thy saluation according to thy word.
42 † So shall I haue wherewith to answere him
that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word.
43 And take not the word of truth vtterly out of
my mouth: for I haue hoped in thy iudgements.

So shall I keepe thy Law continually for euer
more.
And I will walke † at liberty: for I seeke thy
precepts.
I will speake of thy testimonies also before
Kings, and will not be ashamed.
And I will delight my selfe in thy command-
ments, which I haue loued.
My hands also will I lift vp vnto thy command-
ments, which I haue loued: and I will meditate
in thy Statutes.

ZAIN.

Remember the word vnto thy seruant: vpon
which thou hast caused me to hope.
This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy
word hath quickned me.
The proud haue had me greatly in derision:
yet I not declined from thy Law.
I remembred thy iudgements of old, O LORD:
and comforted my selfe.
Horror hath taken hold vpon me: because of
the wicked that forsake thy Law.
Thy Statutes haue bin my songs in the house
of my pilgrimage.
I haue remembred thy Name, O LORD, in the
night, and haue kept thy Law.
This I had: because I kept thy precepts.

CHETH.

Thou art my portion, O LORD: I haue said,
that I would keepe thy words.
I intreated thy † fauour with my whole heart:
be mercifull vnto me according to thy word.
I thought on my wayes: and turned my feet
vnto thy Testimonies.
I made haste, and delayed not to keepe thy
commandements.
The bands of the wicked haue robbed me:
but I haue not forgotten thy Law.
At midnight I will rise to giue thankes vnto
thee, because of thy righteous iudgements.
I am a companion of all them that feare thee:
and of them that keepe thy precepts.
The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy:
teach me thy Statutes.

TETH.

Thou hast dealt well with thy seruant, O
LORD, according to thy word.
Teach me good iudgement and knowledge:
for I haue beleeued thy Commandements.
Before I was afflicted, I went astray: but now
I keepe thy word.
Thou art good, and doest good: teach me thy
Statutes.
The proud haue forged a lie against me: but
I keepe thy precepts with my whole heart.
Their heart is as fat as grease: but I delight
in thy Law.
It is good for me that I haue beene afflicted:
that I might learne thy Statutes.
The Law of thy mouth is better vnto me:
than thousands of gold and siluer.

IOD.

Thy hands haue made me and fashioned me:
giue me vnderstanding, that I may learne thy Com-
mandements.
They that feare thee will be glad when they
see me: because I haue hoped in thy word.
I know O LORD, that thy iudgements are
right: and that thou in faithfulnesse hast afflic-
ted me.
Let I pray thee, thy mercifull kindnes be † for
my comfort, according to thy word vnto thy seruant.

77 Let thy tender mercies come vnto me, that I
may liue: for thy Law is my delight.
78 Let the proud be ashamed, for they deale per-
uersly with me without a cause: but I will medi-
tate in thy precepts.
79 Let those that feare thee, turne vnto me: and
those that haue knowne thy testimonies.
80 Let my heart be found in thy Statutes: that I
be not ashamed.

CAPH.

81 My soule fainteth for thy saluation: but I
hope in thy word.
82 Mine eyes faile for thy word: saying, When
wilt thou comfort me?
83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke:
yet doe I not forget thy Statutes.
84 How many are the dayes of thy seruant? when
wilt thou execute iudgement on them that perse-
cute me?
85 The proud haue digged pits for me: which
are not after thy Law.
86 All thy Commandements are † faithfull: they
persecute me wrongfully, helpe thou me. † Heb. faithfulnesse.
87 They had almost consumed me vpon earth:
but I forsooke not thy precepts.
88 Quicken me after thy louing kindnesse: so
shall I keepe the testimony of thy mouth.

LAMED.

89 For euer, O LORD, thy word is settled in
heauen.
90 Thy faithfulnesse is † vnto all generations:
thou hast established the earth, and it † abideth. † Heb. to generation and generation.
91 They continue this day according to thine or-
dinances: for all are thy seruants.
92 Vnlesse thy Law had beene my delights: I
should then haue perished in my affliction. † Hebr. flanderd.
93 I will neuer forget thy precepts: for with
them thou hast quickned me.
94 I am thine, saue me: for I haue sought thy
precepts.
95 The wicked haue waited for me to destroy
me: but I will consider thy testimonies.
96 I haue seene an end of all perfection: but thy
Commandement is exceeding broad.

MEM.

97 O how loue I thy Law: it is my meditation
all the day.
98 Thou through thy commandements hast made
me wiser then mine enemies: for † they are euer
with me. † Hebr. it is euer with me.
99 I haue more vnderstanding then all my teach-
ers: for thy testimonies are my meditation.
100 I vnderstand more then the ancients: because
I keepe thy precepts.
101 I haue refrained my feet from euery euill
way: that I may keepe thy word.
102 I haue not departed from thy iudgements:
for thou hast taught me.
103 *How sweet are thy words vnto my † taste? * psl. 19. 9.
yea sweeter then hony to my mouth. † Hebr. palate.
104 Through thy precepts I get vnderstanding:
therefore I hate euery false way.

NVN.

105 Thy word is a ‖ lampe vnto my feet: and a
light vnto my path. ‖ Or, candle.
106 I haue sworne and I will performe it: that
I will keepe thy righteous iudgements.
107 I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O
Lord, according vnto thy word.
108 Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings
of my mouth, O LORD: and teach me thy iudge-
ments.

109 My

109 My ſoule *is* continually in my hand: yet doe I not forget thy Law.
110 The wicked haue laid a ſnare for mee: yet I erred not from thy precepts.
111 Thy teſtimonies haue I taken as an heritage for euer: for they *are* the reioycing of my heart.
† *Hebr.* to doe. 112 I haue enclined my heart † to performe thy Statutes alway, *euen* vnto the end.

SAMECH.

113 I hate *vaine* thoughts: but thy law doe I loue.
114 Thou art my hiding place and my ſhield: I hope in thy word.
*Matth. 7.23. 115 * Depart from mee ye euill doers: for I will keepe the Commandements of my God.
116 Vphold me according to thy word, that I may liue: and let me not be aſhamed of my hope.
117 Hold thou me vp, and I ſhall be ſafe: and I will haue reſpect vnto thy ſtatutes continually.
118 Thou haſt troden downe all them that erre from thy ſtatutes: for their deceit *is* falſhood.
† *Hebr.* cauſeſt to ceaſe. 119 Thou † putteſt away all the wicked of the earth *like* droſſe: therefore I loue thy teſtimonies.
120 My fleſh trembleth for feare of thee: and I am afraid of thy iudgements.

AIN.

121 I haue done iudgement and iuſtice: leaue me not to mine oppreſſours.
122 Be ſurety for thy ſeruant for good: let not the proud oppreſſe me.
123 Mine eies faile for thy ſaluation: and for the word of thy righteouſneſſe.
124 Deale with thy ſeruant according vnto thy mercy: and teach me thy ſtatutes.
125 I *am* thy ſeruant, giue me vnderſtanding: that I may keepe thy teſtimonies.
126 It *is* time for thee, LORD, to worke: *for* they haue made void thy Law.
*Prou. 8.11. pſa. 19.9. 127 * Therefore I loue thy Commandements: aboue gold, yea, aboue fine gold.
128 Therefore I eſteeme all *thy* precepts concerning all things *to be* right; *and* I hate euery falſe way.

PE.

129 Thy Teſtimonies are wonderfull: therefore doth my ſoule keepe them.
130 The entrance of thy words giueth light: it giueth vnderſtanding to the ſimple.
131 I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy Commandements.
† *Heb.* according to the cuſtome towards thoſe, &c. 132 Looke thou vpon me, and be mercifull vnto me: † as thou vſeſt to doe vnto thoſe that loue thy Name.
133 Order my ſteps in thy word: and let not any iniquity haue dominion ouer me.
134 Deliuer me from the oppreſſion of man: ſo will I keepe thy precepts.
135 Make thy face to ſhine vpon thy ſeruant: and teach me thy ſtatutes.
136 Riuers of waters run downe mine eies: becauſe they keepe not thy Law.

TSADDI.

† *Hebr.* righteouſneſſe. 137 Righteous *art* thou, O LORD: and vpright *are* thy iudgements.
† *Hebr.* faithfulneſſe. 138 Thy teſtimonies *that* thou haſt commanded, are † righteous: and very † faithfull.
*Pſ. 69.8. Ioh. 2.17. † *Heb.* cauſe me to fail. 139 * My zeale hath † conſumed me: becauſe mine enemies haue forgotten thy words.
140 Thy word is very † pure: therefore thy ſeruant loueth it.
† *Hebr.* tried or refined. 141 I *am* ſmall and deſpiſed: *yet* doe not I forget thy precepts.
142 Thy righteouſneſſe *is* an euerlaſting righteouſneſſe; and thy Law *is* the truth.
143 Trouble and anguiſh haue † taken hold on me: *yet* thy Commandements *are* my delights.
144 The righteouſneſſe of thy Teſtimonies *is* euerlaſting: giue mee vnderſtanding, and I ſhall liue.

KOPH.

145 I cryed with my whole heart: heare me, O LORD, I will keepe thy Statutes.
146 I cryed vnto thee, ſaue mee: I ſhall keepe thy Teſtimonies.
147 I preuented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in thy word.
148 Mine eies preuent the *night* watches, that I might meditate in thy word.
149 Heare my voyce, according vnto thy louing kindneſſe: O LORD quicken me according to thy iudgement.
150 They draw nigh that follow after miſchiefe: they are farre from thy Law.
151 Thou *art* neere, O LORD: and all thy Commandements are truth.
152 Concerning thy Teſtimonies, I haue knowen of old: that thou haſt founded them for euer.

RESH.

153 Conſider mine affliction, and deliuer me: for I doe not forget thy Law.
154 Plead my cauſe and deliuer me: quicken me according to thy word.
155 Saluation *is* farre from the wicked: for they ſeeke not thy Statutes.
156 ‖ Great *are* thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to thy iudgements.
157 Many *are* my perſecuters and mine enemies: *yet* doe I not decline from thy Teſtimonies.
158 I beheld the tranſgreſſors, and was grieued: becauſe they kept not thy word.
159 Conſider how I loue thy precepts: quicken mee, O LORD, according to thy louingkindneſſe.
160 † Thy word *is* true *from* the beginning: and euery one of thy righteous iudgements *endureth* for euer.

SCHIN.

161 Princes haue perſecuted me without a cauſe: but my heart ſtandeth in awe of thy word.
162 I reioyce at thy word: as one that findeth great ſpoile.
163 I hate and abhorre lying: *but* thy Law doe I loue.
164 Seuen times a day doe I praiſe thee, becauſe of thy righteous iudgements.
165 Great peace *haue* they which loue thy Law: and † nothing ſhall offend them.
166 LORD, I haue hoped for thy ſaluation, and done thy Commandements.
167 My ſoule hath kept thy Teſtimonies: and I loue them exceedingly.
168 I haue kept thy precepts, and thy Teſtimonies: for all my wayes *are* before thee.

TAV.

169 Let my cry come neere before thee, O LORD: giue me vnderſtanding according to thy word.
170 Let my ſupplication come before thee: deliuer me according to thy word.
171 My lips ſhall vtter praiſe: when thou haſt taught me thy Statutes.
172 My tongue ſhall ſpeake of thy word: for all thy Commandements *are* righteouſneſſe.
173 Let thine hand helpe me: for I haue choſen thy precepts.
174 I haue longed for thy ſaluation, O LORD: and thy Law *is* my delight.

safety.

Let my soule liue, and it shall praise thee: thy iudgements helpe me.

I haue gone astray like a lost sheepe, seeke thy seruant: for I doe not forget thy Commandements.

PSAL. CXX.

A godly man, against Doeg, 3 reproueth his tongue, 5 complaineth of his necessary conuersation with the wicked.

¶ A Song of degrees.

In my distresse I cryed vnto the LORD: and he heard me.

Deliuer my soule, O LORD, from lying lips: and from a deceitfull tongue.

What shall be giuen vnto thee? or what shall be done vnto thee, thou false tongue?

Sharpe arrowes of the mighty: with coales of iuniper.

Woe is me, that I soiourne in Mesech: that I dwell in the tents of Kedar.

My soule hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace.

I am for peace: but when I speake, they are for warre.

The arrowes of the mighty man *with coales* of iuniper. *Man of peace.*

PSAL. CXXI.

A great safety of the godly, who put their confidence in Gods protection.

¶ A Song of degrees.

I will lift vp mine eies vnto the hilles: from whence commeth my helpe.

My helpe *commeth* from the LORD: which made heauen and earth.

He will not suffer thy foote to be moued: hee that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleepe.

The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade vpon thy right hand.

The Sunne shall not smite thee by day: nor the Moone by night.

The LORD shall preserue thee from all euill: he shall preserue thy soule.

The LORD shall preserue thy going out, and thy comming in: from this time forth, and euen for euermore.

PSAL. CXXII.

Dauid professeth his loue for the Church, 6 and prayeth for the peace thereof.

¶ A Song of degrees of Dauid.

I was glad when they said vnto mee: Let vs goe into the house of the LORD.

Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Ierusalem.

Ierusalem is builded as a citie, that is compact together:

Whither the tribes goe vp, the tribes of the LORD, vnto the Testimony of Israel: to giue thanks vnto the Name of the LORD.

For there † are set thrones of iudgement: the thrones of the house of Dauid.

Pray for the peace of Ierusalem: they shall prosper that loue thee.

Peace be within thy walles: *and* prosperity within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions sakes: I will now say, Peace be within thee.

Because of the house of the LORD our God: I will seeke thy good.

PSAL. CXXIII.

The godly professe their confidence in God, 3 and pray to be deliuered from contempt.

¶ A Song of degrees.

Vnto thee lift I vp mine eyes: O thou that dwellest in the heauens.

Behold as the eyes of seruants *looke* vnto the hand of their masters, *and* as the eyes of the maiden vnto the hand of her mistresse: so our eyes *waite* vpon the LORD our God, vntill that he haue mercy vpon vs.

Haue mercy vpon vs, O LORD, haue mercy vpon vs: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.

Our soule is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease: *and* with the contempt of the proud.

PSAL. CXXIIII.

The Church blesseth God for a miraculous deliuerance.

¶ A Song of degrees of Dauid.

If it had not *beene* the LORD, who was on our side: now may Israel say:

If it had not *beene* the LORD, who was on our side, when men rose vp against vs.

Then they had swallowed vs vp quicke: when their wrath was kindled against vs.

Then the waters had ouerwhelmed vs, the streame had gone ouer our soule.

Then the proud waters had gone ouer our soule.

Blessed *be* the LORD: who hath not giuen vs *as a* prey to their teeth.

Our soule is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the Fowlers: the snare is broken, and wee are escaped.

Our helpe *is* in the Name of the LORD: who made heauen and earth.

PSAL. CXXV

The safety of such as trust in God, 4 A prayer for the godly, and against the wicked.

¶ A Song of degrees.

They that trust in the LORD, *shall be* as mount Zion, *which* cannot bee remoued *but* abideth for euer.

As the mountaines *are* round about Ierusalem, so the LORD *is* round about his people: from henceforth euen for euer.

For the rod of † the wicked shall not rest vpon the lot of the righteous: lest the righteous put forth their hands vnto iniquity.

Doe good, O LORD, vnto those that be good: and to them that are vpright in their hearts.

As for such as turne aside vnto their crooked waies, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: *but* peace *shall be* vpon Israel.

PSAL. CXXVI.

The Church celebrating her incredible returne out of captiuity, 4 prayeth for, and prophesieth the good successe thereof.

¶ A Song of degrees.

When the LORD † turned againe the captiuity of Zion: we were like them that dreame.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD † hath done great things for them.

The LORD hath done great things for vs: whereof we are glad.

Turne againe our captiuity, O LORD: as the streames in the South.

They that sow in teares: shall reape in ioy.

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing

† pre-

‖Or, seed-basket.

percious seed, shall doubtlesse come, againe with reioycing: bringing his sheaues with him.

PSAL. CXXVII.

1 *The vertue of Gods blessing.* 3 *Good children are his gift.*

¶ A song of degrees ‖ for Solomon.

‖Or, of Solomon.

EXcept the LORD build the house, they labour in vaine that † build it: except the LORD keep the citie, the watchman waketh but in vaine.

† Hebr. are builders of it in it.

2 It *is* vaine for you to rise vp early, to sit vp late, to eate the bread of sorrowes: *for* so he giueth his beloued sleepe.

† Hebr. hath filled his quiuer with thē.

3 Loe, children *are* an heritage of the LORD: *and* the fruit of the wombe *is his* reward.

‖Or, shall subdue, as Ps. 18 47 or destroy

4 As arrowes *are* in the hand of a mightie man: so *are* children of the youth.

5 Happy *is* the man that † hath his quiuer full of them, they shall not be ashamed: but they ‖ shall speake with the enemies in the gate.

PSAL. CXXVIII.

The sundry blessings which follow them that feare God.

¶ A Song of degrees.

BLessed *is* euery one *that* feareth the LORD: that walketh in his wayes.

2 For thou shalt eate the labour of thine hands: happy *shalt* thou *be*, and it *shall be* well with thee.

3 Thy wife *shalbe* as a fruitfull vine by the sides of thine house, thy children like Oline plants: round about thy table.

4 Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the LORD.

5 The LORD shall blesse thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Ierusalem, all the dayes of thy life.

6 Yea, thou shalt see thy childrens children: *and* peace vpon Israel.

PSAL. CXXIX.

1 *An exhortation to praise God for saving Israel in their great afflictions.* 5 *The haters of the Church are cursed.*

¶ A Song of Degrees.

‖Or, much.

MAny a time haue they afflicted mee from my youth: may Israel now say.

2 Many a time haue they afflicted me from my youth: yet they haue not preuailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed vpon my backe: they made long their furrowes.

4 The LORD *is* righteous: he hath cut asunder the cords of the wicked.

5 Let them all be confounded and turned backe, that hate Zion.

6 Let them be as the grasse *vpon* the house tops: which withereth before it groweth vp.

7 Wherwith the mower fillethnot his hand: nor he that bindeth sheaues his bosome.

8 Neither doe they which goe by, say, The blessing of the LORD *be* vpon you: we blesse you in the Name of the LORD.

PSAL. CXXX.

1 *The Psalmist professeth his hope in prayer,* 5 *and his patience in hope.* 7 *Hee exhorteth Israel to hope in God.*

¶ A Song of degrees.

OVt of the depths haue I cryed vnto thee, O LORD.

2 Lord heare my voyce: let thine eares be attentiue to the voyce of my supplications.

3 If thou, LORD, shouldest marke iniquities: O Lord who shall stand?

4 But *there is* forgiuenesse with thee: that thou mayest be feared.

5 I wait for the LORD, my soule doth wait in his Word doe I hope.

6 My soule *waiteth* for the LORD more *then* that watch for the mornings: I *say* more *then* that watch for the morning.

7 Let Israel hope in the LORD, for with the LORD *there is* mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeeme Israel from all his iniquities.

PSAL. CXXXI.

1 *Dauid professing his humility,* 3 *exhorteth Israel to hope in God.*

¶ A Song of degrees of Dauid.

LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: neither do I † exercise my selfe in great matters, or in things too ‖ high for me.

2 Surely I haue behaued and quieted my soule as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soule is euen as a weaned child.

3 Let Israel hope in the LORD, † from henceforth and for euer.

PSAL. CXXXII.

1 *Dauid in his prayer commendeth vnto God religious care he had for the Arke,* 8 *and at the removing of the Arke,* 11 *putteth him in mind of Gods promises.*

¶ Song of degrees.

LORD, remember Dauid, and all his afflictions:

2 How he sware vnto the LORD, *and* vowed vnto the mighty God of Iacob.

3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house: nor goe vp into my bed.

4 I will not giue sleepe to mine eyes: or slumber to mine eye-lids,

5 Vntill I finde out a place for the LORD: an habitation for the mighty *God* of Iacob.

6 Loe, we heard of it at Ephratah: we found it in the fields of the wood.

7 We will goe into his Tabernacles: we will worship at his footestoole.

8 * Arise, O LORD, into thy rest: thou, and the Arke of thy strength.

9 Let thy Priests be clothed with righteousnesse: and let thy Saints shout for ioy.

10 For thy seruant Dauids sake: turne not away the face of thine Anoynted.

11 The LORD hath sworne in truth vnto Dauid: he will not turne from it: * Of the fruit of thy body will I set vpon thy throne.

12 If thy children will keepe my Couenant: and my testimony that I shall teach them: their children also shall sit vpon thy throne for euermore.

13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion: he hath desired it for his habitation.

14 This *is* my rest for euer: here will I dwell, for I haue desired it.

15 I will ‖ abundantly blesse her prouision: I will satisfie her poore with bread.

16 I will also clothe her Priests with saluation: and her Saints shall shout aloud for ioy.

17 * There will I make the horne of Dauid to bud: I haue ordained a ‖ lampe for mine Anoynted.

18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: but vpon himselfe shall his crowne flourish.

PSAL. CXXXIII.

The benefit of the Communion of Saints.

¶ A Song of degrees of Dauid.

BEhold how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell † together in vnitie!

2 *It is* like the precious oyntment vpon

dowe vpon the beard, euen Aarons beard: t downe to the skirts of his garments.
he dew of Hermon, and as the dew, that d vpon the mountaines of Zion, for there commanded the blessing: euen life for e.

PSAL. CXXXIIII.

An exhortation to bleſſe God.

A Song of degrees.

d bleſſe yee the LORD, all yee ſeruants of ORD which by night ſtand in the house ORD.
vp your handes in the Sanctuary: and e LORD.
LORD that made heauen and earth: bleſſe of Zion.

PSAL. CXXXV.

An exhortation to praiſe God for his mercy, 5 power, 8 for his iudgements. 15 The vanity of. 19 An exhortation to bleſſe God.

ye the LORD, praiſe ye the Name of the ORD: praiſe him, O ye ſeruants of the

hat ſtand in the house of the LORD: in the the house of our God.
ſe the LORD, for the LORD is good: ſing nto his Name, for it is pleaſant.
the LORD hath choſen Iacob vnto himſelfe: l for his peculiar treaſure.
know that the LORD is great: and that is aboue all gods.
atſoeuer the LORD pleaſed, that did hee and in earth: in the Seas and all deepe

cauſeth the vapours to aſcend from the e earth, hee maketh lightnings for the bringeth the wind out of his treaſuries.
ho ſmote the firſt borne of Egypt: both d beaſt.
ſent tokens and wonders into the midſt Egypt: vpon Pharaoh, and vpon all his

ho ſmote great nations: and ſlew mighty

n King of the Amorites, and Og King of and all the kingdomes of Canaan,
gaue their land for an heritage: an heritage Iſrael his people.
Name, O LORD endureth for euer: and riall, O LORD, throughout all genera-

the LORD will iudge his people: and he t himſelfe concerning his ſeruants.
e idols of the heathen are ſiluer and gold: of mens hands.
haue mouthes, but they ſpeake not: eyes but they ſee not:
haue eares, but they heare not: neither y breath in their mouthes.
that make them are like vnto them: ſo e that truſteth in them.
ſe the LORD, O house of Iſrael: bleſſe O house of Aaron.
e the LORD, O house of Leui: yee that ORD, bleſſe the LORD.
bleſſed be the LORD out of Zion, which at Ieruſalem. Praiſe ye the LORD.

PSAL. CXXXVI.

An exhortation to giue thankes vnto God for his mercies.

thankes vnto the LORD, for he is good: his mercy endureth for euer.

2 O giue thankes vnto the God of gods: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
3 O giue thankes vnto the Lord of lords: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
4 To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
5 * To him that by wiſdome made the heauens: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Gen. 1.8
6 * To him that ſtretched out the earth aboue the waters: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Gen. 1.6. ier. 10, 12.
7 * To him that made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Gene. 1.14.
8 The Sunne † to rule by day: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. † Hebr. for the rulings by day.
9 The Moone and Starres to rule by night: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
10 * To him that ſmote Egypt in their firſt borne: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Exod. 12.29.
11 * And brought out Iſrael from among them: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Exod. 13.17.
12 With a ſtrong hand, and with a ſtretched out arme: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
13 * To him which diuided the red ſea into parts: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Exod. 14.21, 22.
14 And made Iſrael to paſſe thorow the midſt of it: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
15 * But † ouerthrew Pharaoh and his hoſte in the red ſea: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Exod. 14.28. † Hebr. ſhaked off
16 * To him which led his people thorow the wilderneſſe: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
17 To him which ſmote great Kings: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Exod. 15.22.
18 * And ſlew famous Kings: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Deut. 29.7. pſal. 135. 10. & 11.
19 * Sihon King of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
20 * And Og the King of Baſhan: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Numb. 21.33.
21 * And gaue their land for an heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Numb. 21.35.
22 *Euen* an heritage vnto Iſrael his ſeruant: for his mercy *endureth* for euer. * Ioſh. 12.7.
23 Who remembred vs in our low eſtate: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
24 And hath redeemed vs from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
25 Who giueth food to all fleſh: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.
26 O giue thanks vnto the God of heauen: for his mercy *endureth* for euer.

PSAL. CXXXVII.

The conſtancy of the Iewes in captiuity. 7 The Prophet curſeth Edom and Babel.

BY the riuers of Babylon there we ſate downe, yea, we wept: when we remembred Zion.
2 We hanged our harpes vpon the willowes, in the midſt thereof.
3 For there they that carried vs away captiue, required of vs † a ſong, and they that † waſted vs, required of vs mirth: *ſaying*, Sing vs *one* of the ſongs of Zion.
4 How ſhall wee ſing the LORDS ſong: in † ſtrange land?
5 If I forget thee, O Ieruſalem: let my right hand forget *her cunning*.
6 If I doe not remember thee, let my tongue cleaue to the roofe of my mouth; if I preferre not Ieruſalem aboue † my chiefe ioy.
7 Remember, O LORD, the children of Edom, in the day of Ieruſalem, who ſaid, † Raſe it, raſe it: euen to the foundation thereof.
8 * O daughter of Babylon, who *art* to be † deſtroyed;

† Hebr. the words of a ſong † Hebr. laid vs on heapes. † Hebr. land of a ſtrange. † Hebr. the head of my ioy. † Hebr. make bare. * Obad. 12.13. † Hebr. maſted.

† Hebr. that recompenseth vnto thee thy deeds, which they did to vs. * Isa. 13.16. † Hebr. the rocke.

stroyed: happy shall he be † that rewardeth thee, as thou hast serued vs.

9 * Happy shall he be that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against † the stones.

PSAL. CXXXVIII.

1 Dauid praiseth God for the trueth of his word. 4 He prophesieth that the Kings of the earth shall praise God. 7 He professeth his confidence in God.

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

* Psal. 119.46. I * will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise vnto thee.

2 I will worship towards thy holy Temple, and praise thy Name, for thy louing kindnesse, and for thy trueth: for thou hast magnified thy word aboue all thy Name.

3 In the day when I cried, thou answeredst me: and strengthenedst me *with* strength in my soule.

4 All the Kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD: when they heare the words of thy mouth.

5 Yea, they shall sing in the wayes of the LORD: for great *is* the glory of the LORD.

6 Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect vnto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.

7 Though I walke in the midst of trouble, thou shalt reuiue me, thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies: and thy right hand shall saue me.

8 The LORD will perfit *that which* concerneth me: thy mercy O LORD *endureth* for euer: forsake not the workes of thine owne hands.

PSAL. CXXXIX.

1 Dauid praiseth God for his all seeing prouidence, 17 and for his infinite mercies. 19 He detesteth the wicked. 23 He prayeth for sincerity.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

O LORD, thou hast searched me, and knowne me.

2 Thou knowest my downe sitting and mine vprising, thou vnderstandest my thought afarre off.

‖ Or, winnowest. 3 Thou ‖ compassest my path, and my lying downe, and art acquainted *with* all my wayes

4 For *there is* not a word in my tongue: *but* loe, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

5 Thou hast beset me behinde and before: and laid thine hand vpon me.

6 Such knowledge *is* too wonderfull for me: it is high, I cannot *attaine* vnto it.

* Amos 9.2,3,4. 7 Whither shall I goe from thy spirit? or whither shall I flie from thy presence?

* Iob 26. 6 hebr. 4.13. 8 * If I ascend vp into heauen, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou *art there*.

9 *If* I take the wings of the morning: † *and* dwell in the vttermost parts of the sea:

† Hebr. darkeneth not. ‖ Hebr. as is the darkenes, so is the light. 10 Euen there shall thy hand lead me: and thy right hand shall hold me.

11 * If I say, Surely the darknesse shall couer me: euen the night ‖ shall be light about me.

12 Yea, the darkenes † hideth not from thee, but the night shineth as the day: † the darkenesse *and* the light *are* both *alike to thee*.

† Hebr. greatly. ‖ Or, strength, or body. † Heb. all of them. ‖ Or, what dates they should be fashioned. 13 For thou hast possessed my reines: thou hast couered me in my mothers wombe.

14 I will praise thee, for I am fearefully *and* wonderfully made, marueilous *are* thy workes, and *that* my soule knoweth † right well.

15 My ‖ substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, *and* curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

16 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being vnperfit, and in thy booke † all my members were written, ‖ *which* in continuance were fashioned, when as yet *there was* none of them.

17 * How precious also are thy thoughts vnto me, O God: how great is the summe of them!

18 *If* I should count them, they are more in number then the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.

19 Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.

20 For they speake against thee wickedly, *and* thine enemies take *thy Name* in vaine.

21 Doe not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieued with those that rise vp against thee?

22 I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

24 And see if *there be* any † wicked way in me, and lead me in the way euerlasting.

PSAL. CXL.

1 Dauid prayeth to be deliuered from bad Men. 8 He prayeth against them. 12 He testifieth his confidence in God.

¶ To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

DEliuer me, O LORD, from the euill man: preserue me from the † violent man.

2 Which imagine mischiefes in their heart: continually are they gathered together for warre.

3 * They haue sharpened their tongues like a serpent: adders poison *is* vnder their lips. Selah.

4 Keepe me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked: preserue me from the violent man: which haue purposed to ouerthrow my goings.

5 The proud haue hid a snare for me, and cords: they haue spread a net by the way side: they haue set grins for me. Selah.

6 I said vnto the LORD, Thou *art* my God: heare the voice of my supplications, O LORD.

7 O GOD the Lord the strength of my saluation, thou hast couered my head in the day of battell.

8 Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked deuice, ‖ *lest* they exalt themselues. Selah.

9 As for the head of those † that compasse me about, let the mischiefe of their owne lips couer them.

10 Let burning coales fall vpon them: let them be cast into the fire: into deepe pits, that they rise not vp againe.

11 Let not an † euill speaker be established in the earth: euill shall hunt the violent man to ouerthrow *him*.

12 I know that the LORD will maintaine the cause of the afflicted: *and* the right of the poore.

13 Surely the righteous shall giue thankes vnto thy Name: the vpright shall dwell in thy presence.

PSAL. CXLI.

1 Dauid prayeth that his suit may be accepted: 3 his conscience sincere, 7 & his life safe from

¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

LORD, I cry vnto thee, make haste vnto me: giue eare vnto my voice when I cry vnto thee.

2 Let my prayer be † set forth before thee as incense: *and* the lifting vp of my hands *as* the euening sacrifice.

3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth: keepe the doore of my lips.

4 Incline not my heart to any euill thing, to practise wicked workes with men that worke iniquitie: and let me not eat of their dainties.

5 ‖ Let the righteous smite me, it *shall be a* kindnesse: and let him reproue me, it *shall be an excellent* oyle, *which* shall not breake my head: for yet my prayer also *shall be* in their calamities.

When their iudges are ouerthrowne in ſtony
places, they ſhall heare my words, for they are ſweet
Our bones are ſcattered at the graues mouth
as one cutteth and cleaueth *wood* vpon the
earth.

For mine eyes *are* vnto thee, O GOD the Lord: in
thee is my truſt, † leaue not my ſoule deſtitute.
Keepe me from the ſnare *which* they haue laid
for me: and the ginnes of the workers of iniquity.
Let the wicked fall into their owne nets:
whilſt that I withall † eſcape.

PSAL. CXLII.

Dauid ſheweth that in his trouble, all his comfort is in prayer vnto God.

¶ Maſchil of Dauid: A prayer when he was in the caue.

I cried vnto the LORD with my voyce: with my voyce vnto the LORD did I make my ſupplication.

I powred out my complaint before him: I ſhewed before him my trouble.

When my ſpirit was ouerwhelmed within me, then thou kneweſt my path: in the way wherein I walked, haue they priuily laid a ſnare for me.

I † looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know mee, refuge failed me: † no man cared for my ſoule.

I cried vnto thee, O LORD, I ſaid, Thou *art* my refuge and my portion in the land of the liuings.

Attend vnto my crie, for I am brought very low: deliuer me from my perſecutors: for they are ſtronger then I.

Bring my ſoule out of priſon, that I may praiſe thy Name: the righteous ſhall compaſſe mee about, for thou ſhalt deale bountifully with me.

PSAL. CXLIII.

Dauid prayeth for ſiuour in iudgment. 3 He complaineth of his griefes. 5 He ſtrengtheneth his ſoule by meditation and prayer. 7 Hee prayeth for deliuerance, 10 for ſanctification, 12 and confuſion of his enemies.

¶ A Pſalme of Dauid.

Heare my prayer, O LORD, giue eare to my ſupplications: in thy faithfulneſſe anſwere me, and in thy righteouſneſſe.

And enter not into iudgement with thy ſeruant: for in thy ſight ſhall no man liuing be iuſtified.

For the enemy hath perſecuted my ſoule, hee hath ſmitten my life downe to the ground: he hath made me to dwell in darkneſſe, as thoſe that haue long dead.

Therefore is my ſpirit † ouerwhelmed within me, my heart within me is deſolate.

I remember the dayes of old, I meditate on all thy workes: I muſe on the worke of thy hands.

I ſtretch forth my hands vnto thee: my ſoule thirſteth after thee as a thirſtie land. Selah.

Heare me ſpeedily, O LORD, my ſpirit faileth: hide not thy face from me: † leſt I be like vnto thoſe that goe downe into the pit.

Cauſe me to heare thy louing kindneſſe in the morning, for in thee doe I truſt: cauſe me to know the way wherein I ſhould walke, for I lift vp my ſoule vnto thee.

Deliuer me, O LORD, from mine enemies: † I flee vnto thee to hide me.

Teach me to doe thy will, for thou *art* my God: thy Spirit is good: lead me into the land of vprightneſſe.

Quicken mee, O LORD, for thy Names ſake: for thy righteouſneſſe ſake bring my ſoule out of trouble.

And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies: and deſtroy all them that afflict my ſoule: for I *am* thy ſeruant.

PSAL. CXLIIII.

1 Dauid bleſſeth God for his mercy both to him, and to man. 5 He prayeth that God would powerfully deliuer him from his enemies. 9 He promiſeth to praiſe God. 11 Hee prayeth for the happy eſtate of the kingdome.

¶ A Pſalme of Dauid.

BLeſſed *be* the LORD my † ſtrength, which teacheth my hands † to warre, *and* my fingers to fight.

My goodneſſe, and my fortreſſe, my high tower, and my deliuerer, my ſhield, and *he* in whom I truſt: who ſubdueth my people vnder me.

LORD, † what *is* man, that thou takeſt knowledge of him! *or* the ſonne of man that thou makeſt account of him?

Man is like to vanity: his dayes *are* as a ſhadow that paſſeth away.

Bow thy heauens, O LORD, and come downe: touch the mountaines, and they ſhall ſmoake.

Caſt forth lightning and ſcatter them: ſhoot out thine arrowes, and deſtroy them.

Send thine † hand from aboue, rid me, and deliuer mee out of great waters, from the hand of ſtrange children,

Whoſe mouth ſpeaketh vanity, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falſhood.

I will ſing a new ſong vnto thee, O God: vpon a pſaltery, *and* an inſtrument of ten ſtrings will I ſing praiſes vnto thee.

It is he that giueth ‖ ſaluation vnto Kings: who deliuereth Dauid his ſeruant from the hurtfull ſword.

Rid mee, and deliuer mee from the hand of ſtrange children, whoſe mouth ſpeaketh vanity: and their right hand *is* a right hand of falſhood.

That our ſons *may be* as plants growne vp in their youth, *that* our daughter *may be* as corner ſtones: † poliſhed *after the* ſimilitude of a palace:

That our garners *may be* full, affoording † all manner of ſtore: *that* our ſheepe may bring foorth thouſands, and ten thouſands in our ſtreets.

That our oxen *may be* † ſtrong to labour, that *there be* no breaking in, nor going out: that *there be* no complaining in our ſtreets.

Happy *is* that people that is in ſuch a caſe: yea, happy *is* that people whoſe God is the LORD.

PSAL. CXLV.

1 Dauid praiſeth God for his fame, 8 for his goodnes, 11 for his kingdome, 14 for his prouidence, 17 for his ſauing mercy.

¶ Dauids *Pſalme* of praiſe.

I Will extoll thee, my God, O King: and I will bleſſe thy Name for euer and euer.

Euery day will I bleſſe thee: and I will praiſe thy Name for euer and euer.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praiſed: † and his greatneſſe is vnſearchable.

One generation ſhall praiſe thy workes to another: and ſhall declare thy mighty actes.

I will ſpeake of the glorious honour of thy Maieſty, and of thy wondrous † workes.

And men ſhall ſpeake of the might of thy terrible actes: and I will † declare thy greatneſſe.

They ſhal abundantly vtter the memory of thy great goodnes: and ſhall ſing of thy righteouſnes.

The LORD *is* gracious, and full of compaſſion: ſlow to anger, and † of great mercy.

The LORD *is* good to all: and his tender mercies *are* ouer all his workes.

All

† Heb. my rocke.
† Heb. to the warre, &c.
* 2. Sam. 22. 2. 3. & 35. & 49. verſes.
‖ Or, my mercy.
* Iob 7. 17. pſal. 8. 5. heb. 2. 6.
* Pſa. 39. 6
† Heb. bands.
‖ Or, victory.
† Heb. eus.
† Hebr. From kind to kind.
† Hebr. able to beare bur dens, or loaden with fleſh
* Pſ. 33. 12. and 65. 4.
† Hebr. and of his greatneſſe there is no ſearch.
† Hebr. things, or words.
† Heb. declaretit.
* Exod. 34. 6. 7. num. 14. 18. pſa. 86. 5. 15. & 103. 8.
† Hebr. great in mercy.

10 All thy workes shall praise thee, O LORD† and thy Saints shall blesse thee.

11 They shall speake of the glory of thy kingdome: and talke of thy power.

12 To make knowne to the sonnes of men his mighty acts: and the glorious maiesty of his kingdome.

†Hebr. a kingdome of all ages.

13 Thy kingdome *is* † an everlasting kingdome: and thy dominion *endureth* throughout all generations.

14 The LORD vpholdeth all that fall: and raiseth vp all those that be bowed downe.

‖Or, looke vnto thee

15 The eyes of all ‖ wait vpon thee, and thou giuest them their meat in due season.

16 Thou openest thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every liuing thing.

17 The LORD *is* righteous in all his wayes: and holy in all his workes.

‖Or, prouident, or bountifull

18 The LORD *is* nigh vnto all them that call vpon him: to all that call vpon him in trueth.

19 He will fulfill the desire of them that feare him: he also will heare their cry, & will saue them.

20 The LORD preserueth all them that loue him: but all the wicked will he destroy.

21 My mouth shall speake the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh blesse his holy Name for euer and euer.

PSAL. CXLVI.

1 The Psalmist moueth perpetuall praises to God. 3 He exhorteth not to trust in man. 5 God for his power, iustice, mercy, and kingdome is onely worthy to be trusted.

†Hebr. Hallelu-iah.

†PRaise ye the LORD: praise the LORD, O my soule.

2 While I liue will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises vnto my God, while I haue any being.

3 *Put not your trust in princes: nor* in the sonne of man in whom *there is* no ‖ helpe.

‖Or, saluation.

4 His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth: in that very day his thoughts perish.

5 Happy *is he* that *hath* the God of Iacob for his helpe, whose hope *is* in the LORD his God:

6 *Which* made heauen and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for euer:

7 *Which* executeth iudgment for the oppressed, *which* giueth food to the hungry: the LORD looseth the prisoners.

8 The LORD openeth the eyes of the blind, the LORD raiseth them that are bowed downe: the LORD loueth the righteous.

9 The LORD preserueth the strangers, he relieueth the fatherlesse and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth vpside downe.

*Exod. 15.18.

10 *The LORD shall reigne for euer, *euen* thy God, O Zion, vnto all generations: Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CXLVII.

1 The Prophet exhorteth to praise God for his care of the Church, 4 his power, 6 and his mercy. 7 To praise him for his prouidence: 12 To praise him for his blessings vpon the kingdome: 15 for his power ouer the Meteors, 19 and for his ordinances in his Church.

PRaise ye the LORD: for it *is* good to sing praises vnto our God: for it *is* pleasant, *and* praise is comely.

2 The LORD doeth build vp Ierusalem: hee gathereth together the out-casts of Israel.

†Hebr. griefes.

3 He healeth the broken in heart: and bindeth vp their † wounds.

4 He telleth the number of the starres: he calleth them all by their names.

5 Great *is* our Lord, and of great power: his vnderstanding is infinite.

6 The LORD lifteth vp the meeke: he casteth the wicked downe to the ground.

7 Sing vnto the LORD with thanksgiuing: sing praise vpon the harpe vnto our God:

8 Who couereth the heauen with cloudes, who prepareth raine for the earth: who maketh grasse to grow vpon the mountaines.

9 * Hee giueth to the beast his food: and to the young rauens which cry.

10 Hee delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.

11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that feare him: in those that hope in his mercy.

12 Praise the LORD, O Ierusalem: praise thy God, O Zion.

13 For he hath strengthened the barres of thy gates: he hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 † He maketh peace in thy borders: and filleth thee with the † finest of the wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandement vpon earth: his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giueth snow like woll: he scattereth the hoare frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his yce like morsels: who can stand before his cold?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, *and* the waters flow.

19 He sheweth † his word vnto Iacob: his statutes and his iudgements vnto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: and for *his* iudgements they haue not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CXLVIII.

1 The Psalmist exhorteth the celestiall, † terrestriall, 11 and the rationall creatures to praise God.

†PRaise ye the LORD, praise ye the LORD from the heauens: praise him in the heights.

2 Praise ye him all his Angels: praise ye him all his hostes.

3 Praise ye him Sun and Moone: praise him all ye starres of light.

4 Praise him ye heauens of heauens: and ye waters that *be* aboue the heauens.

5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.

6 Hee hath also established them for euer and euer: he hath made a decree which shall not passe.

7 Praise the LORD from the earth: ye dragons, and all deepes.

8 Fire and haile, snow and vapour: stormy wind fulfilling his word.

9 Mountaines and all hilles: fruitfull trees, and all Cedars.

10 Beasts and all cattell: creeping things, and † flying fowle.

11 Kings of the earth, and all people: princes, and all Iudges of the earth.

12 Both young men and maidens: old men and children.

13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, for his Name alone is † excellent: his glory *is* aboue the earth and heauen.

14 He also exalteth the horne of his people, the praise of all his Saints: euen of the children of Israel a people neere vnto him. Praise ye the LORD.

PSAL. CXLIX.

1 The prophet exhorteth to praise God for his to the Church. 5 and for that power which he given to the Church to rule the consciences of

alſo ye the LORD: ſing vnto the LORD a
ew ſong: and his praiſe in the Congregati-
Saints.
Let Iſrael reioyce in him that made him: let
ildren of Zion be ioyfull in their king.
Let them praiſe his Name ‖ in the dance: let
ſing praiſes to him wth the timbrell and harpe.
For the LORD taketh pleaſure in his people:
ll beautifie the meeke with ſaluation.
Let the Saints be ioyfull in glory: let them
oud vpon their beds.
Let the high praiſes of God *be* † in their
t and a two-edged ſword in their hand:
To execute vengeance vpon the heathen: *and*
ishments vpon the people.
To binde their kings with chaines: and their
es with fetters of iron.
To execute vpon them the iudgement writ-
ten: This honour *haue* all his Saints. Praiſe ye the LORD.

PSAL. CL.

1 *An exhortation to praiſe God, 3 with all kind of inſtruments.*

†PRaiſe ye the LORD. Praiſe God in his Sanctua- † *Hebr.*
ry: praiſe him in the firmament of his power. *Hallelujah*
2 Praiſe him for his mighty actes: praiſe him according to his excellent greatneſſe.
3 Praiſe him with the ſound of the ‖ trumpet: ‖ *Or,*
praiſe him with the Pſaltery and harpe. *cornet.*
4 Praiſe him with the timbrell and ‖ dance: ‖ *Or, pipe*
praiſe him with ſtringed inſtruments, and organes.
5 Praiſe him vpon the loud cymbals: praiſe him vpon the high ſounding cymbals.
6 Let euery thing that hath breath, praiſe the LORD. Praiſe ye the LORD.

¶ THE PROVERBES.

CHAP. I.

The vſe of the Proverbs. 7 An exhortation to God and beleeue his word: 10 To auoide the allurements of ſinners. 20 Wiſedome complaineth of contempt. 24 She threatneth her contemners.

THE Proverbes of Solomon, the ſonne of Dauid, King of Iſrael,
2 To know wiſedome and inſtruction, to perceiue the words of vnderſtanding,
3 To receiue the inſtruction of wiſedome, iuſtice, and iudgement, and † equity,
4 To giue ſubtility to the ſimple, to the young man knowledge and ‖ diſcretion.
5 A wiſe man will heare, and will increaſe learning: and a man of vnderſtanding ſhall attaine vnto counſels:
6 To vnderſtand a prouerb, & ‖ the interpretation: the words of the wiſe, and their darke ſayings.
7 *The feare of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fooles deſpiſe wiſedome and inſtruction.
8 My ſonne, heare the inſtruction of thy father, and forſake not the Law of thy mother.
9 For they *ſhall be* † an ornament of grace vnto thy head, and chaines about thy necke.
10 My ſon, if ſinners entice thee, conſent *thou* not.
11 If they ſay Come with vs, let vs lay wait for blood, let vs lurke priuily for the innocent without cauſe:
12 Let vs ſwallow them vp aliue as the graue, and whole, as thoſe that goe downe into the pit:
13 We ſhall find all precious ſubſtance, we ſhall fill our houſes with ſpoile:
14 Caſt in thy lot among vs, let vs all haue one purſe:
15 My ſonne, walke not thou in the way with them, refraine thy foote from their path:
16 For their feet run to euill, and make haſte to ſhed blood.
17 Surely in vaine the net is ſpread † in the ſight of any bird.
18 And they lay wait for their *owne* blood, they lurke priuily for their *owne* liues.
19 So are the wayes of euery one that is greedy of gaine, which taketh away the life of the owners thereof.
20 Wiſedome cryeth without, ſhe * vttereth her voice in the ſtreets:
21 She cryeth in the chiefe place of concourſe, in the openings of the gates: in the city, ſhe vttereth her words, ſaying,
22 How long ye ſimple ones, will ye loue ſimplicity? and the ſcorners delight in their ſcorning, and fooles hate knowledge?
23 Turne you at my reproofe: behold, I will powre out my ſpirit vnto you, I will make knowne my words vnto you.
24 ¶ * Becauſe I haue called, and ye refuſed, I haue ſtretched out my hand, and no man regarded
25 But ye haue ſet at nought all my counſell, and would none of my reproofe:
26 I alſo will laugh at your calamity, I will mocke when your feare commeth.
27 * When your feare commeth as deſolation, and your deſtruction commeth as a whirlewind; when diſtreſſe and anguiſh commeth vpon you;
28 * Then ſhall they call vpon me, but I will not anſwere; they ſhall ſeeke me early, but they ſhall not find me:
29 For that they hated knowledge, and did not chuſe the feare of the LORD.
30 They would none of my counſell, they deſpiſed all my reproofe.
31 Therefore ſhall they eat of the fruit of their owne way, and be filled with their owne deuices.
32 For the ‖ turning away of the ſimple ſhall ſlay them, & the proſperity of fooles ſhall deſtroy them. ‖ *Or, eaſe of the ſimple.*
33 But whoſo hearkeneth vnto me, ſhall dwell ſafely, and ſhall be quiet from feare of euill.

CHAP. II.

1 Wiſedome premiſeth godlineſſe to her children. 10 and ſafety from euill company, 20 and direction in good wayes.

MY ſonne, if thou wilt receiue my words, and hide my commandements with thee;
2 So that thou encline thine eare vnto wiſdome, and apply thine heart to vnderſtanding:
3 Yea, if thou criеſt after knowledge, and † lifteſt vp thy voyce for vnderſtanding: † *Hebr. giueſt thy voyce.*
4 * If thou ſeekeſt her as ſiluer, and ſearcheſt for her as *for* hid treaſures. * Matth. 13.44.
5 Then ſhalt thou vnderſtand the feare of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.
6 *For the LORD giueth wiſedome: out of his mouth *commeth* knowledge and vnderſtanding. *Iam. 1.5. 1 Kin. 3.9
7 He layeth vp ſound wiſedome for the righteous: *he is* a buckler to them that walke vprightly.

8 He keepeth the paths of iudgement, and preserueth the way of his Saints.
9 Then shalt thou vnderstand righteousnesse, and iudgement, and equity; yea, euery good path.
10 ¶ When wisedome entreth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant vnto thy soule:
11 Discretion shall preserue thee, vnderstanding shall keepe thee:
12 To deliuer thee from the way of the euil man, from the man that speaketh froward things.
13 Who leaue the paths of vprightnes, to walke in the wayes of darknesse:
14 Who reioyce to doe euill, and delight in the frowardnesse of the wicked.
15 Whose wayes are crooked, and they froward in their paths.
16 To deliuer thee from the strange woman, * *euen* from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words
17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the Couenant of her God.
18 For her house enclineth vnto death, and her paths vnto the dead:
19 None that goe vnto her, returne againe; neither take they hold of the paths of life.
20 That thou mayest walke in the way of good men, and keepe the paths of the righteous.
21 *For the vpright shall dwell in the land: and the perfect shall remaine in it.
22 * But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressours shall be ‖ rooted out of it.

* Chap. 5.3. & 7.5
* Psal. 37.30.
* Iob 18. 17. psal. 104.35.
‖ *Or, plucke vp*

CHAP. III.

1 An exhortation to obedience, 5 to faith, 7 to mortification, 9 to deuotion. 11 to patience. 13 The happy gaine of wisedome. 19 The power, 21 and the benefits of wisedome. 27 An exhortation to charitablenesse, 30 to peaceablenesse. 31 and contentednes. 33 The cursed state of the wicked.

MY sonne, forget not my Law, but let thine heart keepe my commandements:
2 For length of dayes, and † long life, and peace shall they adde to thee
3 Let not mercy and trueth forsake thee: * binde them about thy necke, write them vpon the table of thine heart.
4 *So shalt thou find fauour, and ‖ good vnderstanding in the sight of God and man.
5 ¶ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart: and leane not to thine owne vnderstanding.
6 * In all thy wayes acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
7 ¶ * Be not wise in thine owne eyes: feare the LORD, and depart from euill.
8 It shall be † health to thy nauell, and † marrow to thy bones.
9 * Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase:
10 *So shall thy barnes be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.
11 ¶ * My sonne, despise not the chastening of the LORD, neither be weary of his correction.
12 For whom the LORD loueth, he correcteth, euen as a father the sonne, *in whom* he delighteth.
13 ¶ Happy is the man *that* findeth wisedome, and † the man *that* getteth vnderstanding.
14 * For the merchandise of it *is* better then the

* Deut. 8.1. & 30. 16.
† *Hebr. yeeres of life.*
* Exod. 13.9. deut. 6.8.
* Psal. 111.10.
‖ *Or, good successe.*
* 1. Chro. 28.9.
* Rom. 12.16.
† *Hebr. Medicine.*
† *Hebr. moistning or moysture.*
* Exod. 23.19. and 34. 26. deut. 26.2 &c. mal. 2.3.10 &c. luke 14.13. * Deut. 28.8. * Iob 5.17 hebr. 12.5. apoc. 3.19. † *Heb the man that draweth out vnderstanding.* * Iob 28.15, &c. psal. 19.10. prou. 8. vers. 11 and 19 and 16.16.

merchandise of siluer, and the gaine thereof *is* fine gold.
15 She *is* more precious then rubies: and all the things thou canst desire, are not to be compared vnto her.
16 Length of dayes *is* in her right hand: and in her left hand riches and honour.
17 Her wayes *are* wayes of pleasantnesse, and all her paths *are* peace.
18 She *is a* tree of life to them that lay hold on her, *and happy is* euery one that retaineth her.
19 The LORD by wisedome hath founded the earth; by vnderstanding hath he ‖ established the heauens.
20 By his knowledge the depths are broken vp, and the clouds drop downe the dew.
21 ¶ My sonne, let not *them* depart from thine eyes: keepe sound wisedome and discretion.
22 So shall they be life vnto thy soule, and grace to thy necke.
23 *Then shalt thou walke in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.
24 When thou liest downe, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie downe, and thy sleepe shall be sweet.
25 Be not afraid of sudden feare, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it commeth.
26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keepe thy foot from being taken.
27 ¶ Withhold not good from † them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to doe it.
28 Say not vnto thy neighbour, Goe, and come againe, and to morrow I will giue, when thou hast it by thee.
29 ‖ Deuise not euill against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.
30 ¶ Striue not with a man without a cause, if he hane done thee no harme.
31 ¶ * Enuy thou not the † oppressour, and choose none of his wayes.
32 For the froward *is* abomination to the LORD: * but his secret *is* with the righteous.
33 ¶ * The curse of the LORD *is* in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the iust.
34 * Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giueth grace to the lowly.
35 The wise shall inherite glory, but shame † shall be the promotion of fooles.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Salomon to perswade obedience, 3 sheweth his instruction he had of his parents, 5 to get wisedome. 14 and to shun the path of the wicked. He exhorteth to faith, 23 and sanctification.

HEare ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know vnderstanding.
2 For I giue you good doctrine: forsake ye not my law.
3 For I was my fathers sonne, * tender and *beloued* in the sight of my mother.
4 * He taught me also, and said vnto me, Let thine heart retaine my words: keepe my commandements and liue.
5 Get wisedome, get vnderstanding: forget it not, neither decline from the words of my mouth.
6 Forsake her not, and she shall preserue thee: loue her, and she shall keepe thee.
7 Wisedome is the principall thing: therefore get wisedome, and with all thy getting get vnderstanding.

Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall
ng thee to honour when thou doest embrace her.
*She shall giue to thine head an ornament of
ce! a crowne of glory shall she deliuer to thee.
Heare, O my sonne, and receiue my sayings, and
yeeres of thy life shall be many.
I haue taught thee in the way of wisedome: I
e led thee in right pathes.
When thou goest, thy steps shall not be strai-
d, *and when thou runnest, thou shalt not
ble.
Take fast hold of instruction, let her not goe:
e her, for she is thy life.
¶ *Enter not into the path of the wicked, and
not in the way of euill men.
Auoid it, passe not by it, turne from it, and
e away.
For they sleepe not except they haue done
hiefe; and their sleepe is taken away vnlesse
cause some to fall.
For they eat the bread of wickednesse, and
ke the wine of violence.
But the path of the iust is as the shining light
ineth more and more vnto the perfect day.
The way of the wicked is as darkenesse: they
ow not at what they stumble.
¶ My son, attend to my words, encline thine
vnto my sayings.
Let them not depart from thine eyes: keepe
in the midst of thine heart.
For they are life vnto those that find them, and
lth to all their flesh.
¶ Keepe thy heart †with all diligence: for
of it, are the issues of life.
Put away from thee † a froward mouth, and
erse lips put farre from thee.
Let thine eyes looke right on, and let thine
lids looke straight before thee.
Ponder the path of thy feet, ‖ and let all thy
s be established.
*Turne not to the right hand, nor to the left;
ome thy foot from euill.

CHAP. V

Salomon exhorteth to the study of wisedome. Sheweth the mischiefe of whoredome and vice. He exhorteth to contentednesse, liberalitie, and chastitie. 22 The wicked are ouertaken with their owne sinnes.

MY sonne, attend vnto my wisedome, *and* bow
thine eare to my vnderstanding.
That thou mayest regard discretion, and *that*
lips may keepe knowledge.
¶ *For the lips of a strange *woman* drop *as*
ny combe, and her † mouth *is* smoother then
:
But her end is bitter as wormewood, sharpe
wo-edged sword.
Her feet goe downe to death: her steps take
on hell.
Lest thou shouldest ponder the pathe of life:
ys are moueable, *that* thou canst not know
.
Heare me now therefore, O ye children: and
e not from the words of my mouth.
Remoue thy way far from her, and come not
the doore of her house.
Lest thou giue thine honour vnto others, and
yeres vnto the cruell:
Lest strangers be filled with † thy wealth, and
ours be in the house of a stranger.
And thou mourne at the last, when thy flesh
y body are consumed,
12 And say, How haue I hated instruction, and
my heart despised reproofe?
13 And haue not obeyed the voice of my teachers,
nor enclined mine eare to them that instructed me?
14 I was almost in all euill, in the middest of the
Congregation and assembly.
15 ¶ Drinke waters out of thine owne cisterne,
and running waters out of thine owne well.
16 Let thy fountaines be dispersed abroad, *and*
riuers of waters in the streets.
17 Let them bee onely thine owne, and not stran-
gers with thee.
18 Let thy fountaine be blessed, and reioyce with
the wife of thy youth.
19 *Let her be as* the louing Hinde, and pleasant
Roe: let her breasts † satisfie thee at all times, and
be thou † rauished alwayes with her loue.
20 And why wilt thou, my son, bee rauished with
a strange woman, and embrace the bosome of a
stranger?
21 *For the wayes of man *are* before the eyes of
the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.
22 ¶ His owne iniquities shall take the wicked
himselfe, and he shall bee holden with the cords of
his † sinnes.
23 Hee shall die without instruction, and in the
greatnesse of his folly he shall goe astray.

CHAP. VI.

Against suretiship, 6 idlenesse, 12 mischieuousnesse. 16 Seuen things hatefull to God. 20 The blessings of obedience. 25 The mischiefes of whoredome.

MY sonne, if thou bee surety for thy friend, if
thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger,
1 Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth,
thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.
3 Doe this now, my sonne, and deliuer thy selfe,
when thou art come into the hand of thy friend: goe,
humble thy selfe, and ‖ make sure thy friend.
4 Giue not sleepe to thine eyes, nor slumber to
thy eye lids.
5 Deliuer thy selfe, as a Roe from the hand of *the*
hunter, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler.
6 ¶ Goe to the Ant, thou sluggard, consider her
wayes, and be wise:
7 Which hauing no guide, ouerseer, or ruler,
8 Prouideth her meat in the Summer, *and* gathe-
reth her food in the harueſt.
9 *How long wilt thou sleepe, O sluggard? * Chap.
when wilt thou arise out of thy sleepe? 13.4. &
10 Yet a little sleepe, a little slumber, a little 20.4. &
folding of the hands to sleepe. 24.33.
11 So shall thy pouerty come as one that tra-
nelleth, and thy want as an armed man.
12 ¶ A naughty person, a wicked man walketh
with a froward mouth.
13 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his
feet, he teacheth with his fingers.
14 Frowardnesse *is* in his heart, he deuiseth mis-
chiefe continually, he †soweth discord. † Heb.
15 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; *castieth*
suddenly shall he be broken without remedy. *foorth.*
16 ¶ These six things doth the LORD hate; yea † Hebr.
seuen are an abomination † vnto him. *of his*
17 † A proud looke, a lying tongue, and hands *soule.*
that shed innocent blood:
18 An heart that deuiseth wicked imaginations,
*feet that be swift in running to mischiefe:
19 A false witnesse *that* speaketh lies; and him
that soweth discord among brethren.
20 ¶ * My sonne, keepe thy fathers commande-
ment, and forsake not the law of thy mother.

* Rom. 3.15.
* Chap. 1.8.

21 Binde them continually vpon thine heart, *and* tye them about thy necke.

22 When thou goest, it shall lead thee: when thou sleepest, it shall keepe thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talke with thee.

* Psal. 19.9. & 119.105. Ier. 23. *marginal.*

23 * For the Commandement *is* a lampe, and the Law is light: and reproofes of instruction *are* the way of life:

* Chap. 2.16. and 5.3. & 7.5.

24 * To keepe thee from the euill woman: from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.

25 * Lust not after her beauty in thine heart, neither let her take thee with her eye-lids.

*Or, of the strange tongue.

26 For by meanes of a whorish woman, *a man is* brought to a piece of bread: and the † adulteresse will hunt for the precious life.

* Matth. 5.28.

27 Can a man take fire in his bosome, and his clothes not be burnt?

† Heb. the woman of a man, or a mans wife.

28 Can one goe vpon hot coales, and his feet not be burnt?

29 So hee that goeth in to his neighbours wife; whosoeuer toucheth her shall not be innocent.

30 Men doe not despise a theefe, if he steale to satisfie his soule when he is hungry:

31 But if he be found, he shall restore seuen fold, he shall giue all the substance of his house.

Hosea. 4. 2. 3.

32 But whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh † vnderstanding: he that doth it, destroyeth his owne soule.

† Heb. heart.

33 A wound and dishonour shall he get, and his reproch shall not be wiped away.

† Heb. he will not accept the face of any ransome.

34 For iealousie *is* the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.

35 †He will not regard any ransome, neither will he rest content, though thou giuest many gifts.

CHAP. VII.

Solomon perswadeth to a sincere and kind familiarity with wisedome. 6 In an example of his owne experience, he sheweth, 10 the cunning of an whoore. 22 and the desperate simplicity of a young wanton. 24 He dehorteth from such wickednesse.

MY sonne keepe my words, and lay vp my commandements with thee.

* Deut. 6.8. and 11.18. chap. 3.3.

2 * Keepe my commandements and liue: and my Law as the apple of thine eye.

3 Bind them vpon thy fingers, write them vpon the table of thine heart.

4 Say vnto wisedome, Thou *art* my sister, and call vnderstanding *thy* kinswoman

* Chap. 5.3.

5 * That they may keepe thee from the strange woman, from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words.

6 ¶ For at the window of my house I looked thorow my casement,

7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among † the youths, a yong man void of vnderstanding,

† Heb. the sons.

8 Passing thorow the street neere her corner, and he went the way to her house.

† Heb. in the euening of the day.

9 In the twilight † in the euening, in the blacke and darke night.

* Chap. 9.13.

10 And behold, there met him a woman, *with* the attire of an harlot, and subtill of heart.

† Heb. she strengthened her face, and said

11 (* She is loud and stubborne, her feet abide not in her house: Iosh. 15. 10 and 18.

12 Now is she without, now in the streetes, and lieth in wait at euery corner.)

13 So, she caught him and kissed him, and † with an impudent face said vnto him,

† Heb. peace offerings.

14 I haue † peace offerings with mee, this day haue I payed my vowes.

15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seeke thy face, and I haue found thee.

16 I haue decked my bed with couerings of tapestry, with carued works, *with* fine linnen of Egypt,

17 I haue perfumed my bed with myrrhe, aloes, and cynamon.

18 Come, let vs take our fill of loue, vntill the morning, let vs solace our selues with loues.

19 For the good man *is* not at home, he is gone a long iourney.

20 He hath taken a bag of money † with him, and will come home at † the day appointed.

21 With much faire speech she caused him to yeeld, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.

22 Hee goeth after her † straightway, as an oxe goeth to the slaughter, or as a foole to the correction of the stockes;

23 Till a dart strike thorow his liuer, as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it is for his life.

24 ¶ Hearken vnto me now therefore O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.

25 Let not thine heart decline to her wayes, goe not astray in her paths. Psalm. 26.4. Iob 31.7

26 For she hath cast downe many wounded: yea many strong men haue been slaine by her.

27 * Her house *is* the way to hell, going downe to the chambers of death. Psalm. 41.9.

CHAP. VIII.

The fame, 6 and excellencie of wisedome. 12 Her excellency, 13 the nature, 15 the power, 18 the riches, 22 and the eternity of wisedome. 32 Wisedome is to be desired for the chiefest thing.

DOeth not wisedome cry? and vnderstanding put forth her voyce?

2 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.

3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the comming in at the doores.

4 Vnto you, O men, I call, and my voyce *is* to the sonnes of man.

5 O yee simple, vnderstand wisedome: and ye fooles be ye of an vnderstanding heart.

6 Heare, for I will speake of excellent things, and the opening of my lips *shall be* right things.

7 For my mouth shall speake truth, and wickednesse *is* † an abomination to my lips.

8 All the words of my mouth *are* in righteousnes, *there is* nothing † froward or peruerse in them.

9 They *are* all plaine to him that vnderstandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.

10 Receiue my instruction, and not siluer: and knowledge, rather then chosen gold.

11 * For wisedome *is* better then rubies: and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

12 I wisedome dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inuentions.

13 The feare of the LORD *is* to hate euill: pride and arrogancy, and the euill way, and the froward mouth doe I hate.

14 Counsell *is* mine, and sound wisedome: I *am* vnderstanding, I *haue* strength.

15 By me Kings reigne, and Princes decree iustice.

16 By me Princes rule, and Nobles, *euen* all the Iudges of the earth.

17 I loue them that loue me, and those that seeke me early shall find me.

18 * Riches and honour *are* with me, yea durable riches and righteousnesse.

19 * My fruite *is* better then gold, yea, then fine gold, and my reuenue then choice siluer.

20 I leade in the way of righteousnesse, in the midst of the paths of iudgement.

21

That I may cause those that loue me, to inhe-
substance: and I will fill their treasures.
The LORD possessed me in the beginning of
way, before his workes of old.
I was set vp from euerlasting, from the begin-
g, or euer the earth was.
When *there were* no depths, I was brought
n: when *there were* no fountaines abounding
h water.
Before the mountaines were setled: before
hills was I brought forth:
While as yet he had not made the earth, nor
fields, nor the ‖ highest part of the dust of
world:
When he prepared † heauens, I was there when
set a compasse vpon the face of the depth:
When he established the clouds aboue: when
strengthened the fountaines of the deepe:
* When he gaue to the sea his decree, that the
ers should not passe his Commandement: when
appointed the foundations of the earth:
Then I was by him, *as* one brought vp *with*
: and I was dayly *his* delight, reioycing al-
yest before him:
Reioycing in the habitable part of his earth,
my delights *were* with the sonnes of men.
Now therfore, hearken vnto me, O ye children:
blessed * *are they that* keepe my wayes.
Heare instruction & be wise, & refuse it not.
Blessed *is* the man that heareth me: watching
ly at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doores.
For whoso findeth mee findeth life, and shall
obtaine fauour of the LORD.
But he that sinneth against me, wrongeth his
ne soule: all they that hate me, loue death.

CHAP IX.

The distinction, & and doctrine of Wisedome. 13 *Folly, & her custome,* 16 *and errours of folly.*

WIsedome hath builded her house: shee hath
hewen out her seuen pillars.
She hath killed † her beasts: she hath mingled
wine: she hath also furnished her table.
She hath sent forth her maidens, she cryeth vp-
the highest places of the city:
Whoso *is* simple; let him turne in hither: as
him that wanteth vnderstanding, shee saith to
,
Come eat of my bread, and drinke of the wine
ich I haue mingled.
Forsake the foolish, and liue; and goe in the
of vnderstanding.
He that reproueth a scorner, getteth to himselfe
ame: and he that rebuketh a wicked man, *getteth*
selfe a blot.
* Reproue not a scorner, lest he hate thee: re-
e a wise man and he will loue thee.
Giue *instruction* to a wise man, and he will bee
wiser: teach a iust man, and he will increase in
rning.
* The feare of the LORD *is* the begining of
dome: and the knowledge of the holy *is* vnder-
nding.
* For by me thy dayes shall be multiplied: and
yeeres of thy life shall be increased.
If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thy selfe:
if thou scornest, thou alone shalt beare it.
* A foolish woman *is* clamorous: shee *is*
ple, and knoweth nothing.
For she sitteth at the doore of her house, on a
in the high places of the city:
To call passengers who goe right on their
ys:

16 Whoso *is* simple, let him turne in hither: and
as for him that wanteth vnderstanding, she saith to
him;
17 Stollen waters are sweet, and bread † *eaten* in
secret is pleasant.
18 But he knoweth not that the dead *are* there,
and that her guests *are* in the depths of hell.

† *Hebr.* of *secrecies*

CHAP. X.

From this Chapter to the fine and twentieth, are sundry obseruations of morall vertues, and their contrary vices.

THe Prouerbes of Solomon. * A wise sonne maketh a glad father: but a foolish sonne *is* the heauinesse of his mother.
2 * Treasures of wickednes profit nothing: but righteousnesse deliuereth from death.
3 * The LORD will not suffer the soule of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away ‖ the substance of the wicked.
4 * He becommeth poore, that dealeth *with a* slacke hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.
5 He that gathereth in Summer, is a wise sonne: *but* hee that sleepeth in haruest, is a sonne that causeth shame.
6 Blessings *are* vpon the head of the iust: but * violence couereth the mouth of the wicked.
7 * The memory of the iust *is* blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.
8 The wise in heart will receiue commandements: but † a prating foole ‖ shall fall.
9 * He that walketh vprightly, walketh surely: but he that peruerteth his wayes shall be knowne.
10 * He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating foole shall fall.
11 * The mouth of a righteous man, is a well of life: but violence couereth ‖ the mouth of the wicked.
12 * Hatred stirreth vp strifes, but loue couereth all sinnes.
13 In the lips of him that hath vnderstanding, wisedome is found: but a rod *is* for the back of him that is void of † vnderstanding.
14 Wise men lay vp knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish *is* neere destruction.
15 * The rich mans wealth *is* his strong city: the destruction of the poore *is* their pouerty.
16 The labour of the righteous *tendeth* to life: the fruit of the wicked to sinne.
17 He *is* in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproofe, erreth.
18 He that hideth hatred *with* lying lips, and he that vttereth a slander is a foole.
19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.
20 The tongue of the iust *is as* choice siluer: the heart of the wicked is little worth.
21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fooles die for want † of wisedome.
22 The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.
23 * It *is* a sport to a foole to doe mischiefe: but a man of vnderstanding *hath* wisedome.
24 The feare of the wicked it shall come vpon him but ‖ desire of the righteous ‖ shall be granted.
25 As the whirlwind passeth, so *is* the wicked no more: but ‖ righteous *is* an euerlasting foundation.
26 As vineger to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so *is* the sluggard to them that send him.
27 * The feare of the LORD ‖ prolongeth dayes: but the yeeres of the wicked shall be shortned.
28 * The hope of the righteous *shall be* gladnesse: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.

† *Hebr.* of *secrecies*
* Chap. 15.20.
* Chap. 11.4.
* Psal. 37.25.
‖ Or, *the wicked for* their *wickednesse.*
* Chap. 12.24.
* Verse 11.
* Psal. 112.6.
† *Hebr.* a *foole of lips.*
‖ Or, *shall be beaten.*
* Psal. 27.
* Chap. 22.4.
* Chap. 6.13.
‖ Or, *shall be beaten.*
* Chap. 18.11.
* 1 Pet. 4.8. 1 cor. 13.4.
‖ *Heb. heare.*
* Chap. 18.11.
‖ Or, *causeth to erre.*
† *Hebr.* of *heart.*
* Chap. 14.9.
* Chap. 9.11.
† *Hebr. add sh.*
* Iob 8.13 and 11.20
* Psal. 112.10.

29 The way of the LORD *is* ſtrength to the vpright: but deſtruction *ſhall bee* to the workers of iniquity.

30 * The righteous ſhall neuer be remoued: but the wicked ſhall not inhabite the earth.

31 The mouth of the iuſt bringeth foorth wiſedome: but the froward tongue ſhall be cut out.

32 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked *ſpeaketh* † frowardneſſe.

CHAP. XI.

A †falſe ballance *is* abomination to the LORD, *but* † a iuſt weight *is* his delight.

2 * *When* pride commeth, then commeth ſhame; but with the lowly *is* wiſedome.

3 * The integrity of the vpright ſhall guide them: but the perueerſeneſſe of tranſgreſſours ſhall deſtroy them.

4 * Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteouſneſſe deliuereth from death.

5 The righteouſneſſe of the perfect ſhall † direct his way: but the wicked ſhall fall by his owne wickedneſſe.

6 * The righteouſneſſe of the vpright ſhall deliuer them: but tranſgreſſours ſhall be taken in *their owne* naughtineſſe.

7 When a wicked man dieth, his expectation ſhal periſh: and the hope of vniuſt men periſheth.

8 * The righteous is deliuered out of trouble: and the wicked commeth in his ſtead.

9 * An hypocrite with *his* mouth deſtroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge ſhall the iuſt be deliuered.

10 When it goeth well with the righteous, the citie reioyceth: and when the wicked periſh, *there is* ſhouting.

11 By the bleſſing of the vpright the citie is exalted: but it is ouerthrowne by the mouth of the wicked.

12 He that is † void of wiſedome, deſpiſeth his neighbour: but a man of vnderſtanding holdeth his peace.

13 † A tale-bearer reueleth ſecrets: but he that is of a faithfull ſpirit concealeth the matter.

14 * Where no counſell *is* the people fall: but in the multitude of counſellers *there is* ſafety.

15 He that is ſurety for a ſtranger, † ſhall ſmart for it: and he that hateth ſuretiſhip is ſure.

16 A gracious woman retaineth honour: and ſtrong men retaine riches.

17 The mercifull man doth good to his owne ſoule: but he that is cruell troubleth his owne fleſh.

18 The wicked worke a deceitfull worke: but to him that ſoweth righteouſneſſe, ſhall bee a ſure reward.

19 As righteouſneſſe *tendeth* to life: ſo he that purſueth euill, *purſueth it* to his owne death.

20 They that are of a frowarde heart are abomination vnto the LORD: but ſuch as are vpright in their way are his delight.

21 *Though* hand *ioyne* in hand, the wicked ſhall not be vnpuniſhed: but the ſeed of the righteous ſhall be deliuered.

22 *As a* iewell of gold in a ſwines ſnout, *ſo is* a faire woman which † is without diſcretion.

23 The deſire of the righteous *is* onely good: *but* the expectation of the wicked *is* wrath.

24 There is that ſcattereth, and yet increaſeth: and *there is* that withholdeth more then is meet: but *it tendeth* to pouertie.

25 * † The liberall ſoule ſhall be made fat: and hee that watereth, ſhall be watered alſo himſelfe.

26 Hee that withholdeth corne, the people ſhall curſe him: but bleſſing *ſhall be* vpon the head of him that ſelleth it.

27 * Hee that diligently ſeeketh good, procureth fauour: but he that ſeeketh miſchiefe, it ſhall come vnto him.

28 He that truſteth in his riches ſhall fall: but the * righteous ſhall flouriſh as a branch.

29 He that troubleth his owne houſe, ſhall inherite the wind: and the foole *ſhall be* ſeruant to the wiſe of heart.

30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life: and he that † winneth ſoules is wiſe.

31 * Behold the righteous ſhall be recompenced in the earth: much more the wicked and the ſinner.

CHAP. XII.

WHo ſo loueth inſtruction, loueth knowledge: but he that hateth reproofe, is brutiſh.

2 A good man obtaineth fauour of the LORD: but a man of wicked deuices will he condemne.

3 A man ſhall not be eſtabliſhed by wickedneſſe: but the * root of the righteous ſhall not be moued.

4 * A vertuous woman is a crowne to her husband: but ſhe that maketh aſhamed, *is as* rottenneſſe in his bones.

5 The thoughts of the righteous *are* right: but the counſels of the wicked *are* deceit.

6 * The words of the wicked *are* to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the vpright ſhall deliuer them.

7 * The wicked are ouerthrowne, and are not: but the houſe of the righteous ſhall ſtand.

8 A man ſhall be commended according to his wiſdome: but he that is † of a peruerſe heart ſhall be deſpiſed.

9 He that is deſpiſed and *hath a* ſeruant is better then he that honoureth himſelfe, and lacketh bread.

10 A righteous man regardeth † life of his beaſt: but the † tender mercies of the wicked *are* cruell.

11 * Hee that tilleth his land ſhall be ſatisfied with bread: but he that followeth vaine perſons *is* voyd of vnderſtanding.

12 The wicked deſireth the † net of euill men: but the root of the righteous yeeldeth fruit.

13 † * The wicked is ſnared by the tranſgreſſion of *his* lips: but the iuſt ſhall come out of trouble.

14 A * man ſhall bee ſatisfied with good by the fruit of *his* mouth: and the recompence of a mans hands ſhall be rendered vnto him.

15 * The way of a foole *is* right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth vnto counſell *is* wiſe.

16 A fooles wrath is † preſently knowne: but a prudent man concereth ſhame.

17 * He that ſpeaketh truth ſheweth forth righteouſneſſe: but a falſe witneſſe deceit.

18 * There is that ſpeaketh like the piercings of a ſword: but the tongue of the wiſe is health.

19 The lip of truth ſhall be eſtabliſhed for euer: but a lying tongue *is but* for a moment.

20 Deceit *is* in the heart of them that imagine euill: but to the counſellers of peace *is* ioy.

21 There ſhall no euill happen vnto the iuſt: but the wicked ſhall be filled with miſchiefe.

22 Lying lips *are* abomination to the LORD: but they that deale truely *are* his delight.

23 * A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fooles proclaimeth fooliſhneſſe.

24 * The hand of the diligent ſhall beare rule: but the † ſlothfull ſhall be vnder tribute.

25 * Heauineſſe in the heart of man maketh it ſtoope: but a good word maketh it glad.

26 The righteous is more ‖ excellent then his neighbour, but the way of the wicked seduceth them.

27 The slothfull man roasteth not that which hee tooke in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.

28 In the way of righteousnesse is life, and in the path-way thereof there is no death.

CHAP. XIII.

A Wise sonne heareth his fathers instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

2 *A man shall eate good by the fruit of his mouth: but the soule of the transgressours shall eate violence.

3 Hee that keepeth his mouth, keepeth his life: but hee that openeth wide his lips, shall haue destruction.

4 The soule of the ſuggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soule of the diligent shall bee made fat.

5 A righteous man hateth lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and commeth to shame.

6 *Righteousnes keepeth him that is vpright in the way: but wickednes ouerthroweth † the sinner.

7 There is that maketh himselfe rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himselfe poore, yet hath great riches.

8 The ransome of a mans life are his riches: but the poore heareth not rebuke.

9 The light of the righteous reioyceth: * but the ‖ lampe of the wicked shalbe put out.

10 Onely by pride commeth contention: but with the well aduised is wisedome.

11 *Wealth gotten by vanity, shalbe diminished: but he that gathereth † by labour, shall increase.

12 Hope deferred maketh the heart sicke: but when the desire commeth, it is a tree of life.

13 Whoso despiseth the word, shalbe destroyed: but hee that feareth the commandement, ‖ shall be rewarded.

14 * The Law of the wise is a fountaine of life, to depart from the snares of death.

15 Good vnderstanding giueth fauour: but the way of transgressours is hard.

16 * Euery prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a foole † layeth open his folly.

17 A wicked messenger falleth into mischiefe: but a faithfull ambassadour is health.

18 Pouertie and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but hee that regardeth reproofe, shalbe honoured.

19 The desire accomplished is sweet to ‡ soule: but it is abomination to fooles to depart from euill.

20 He that walketh with wise men, shalbe wise: but a companion of fooles † shalbe destroyed.

21 Euill pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shalbe repayed.

22 A good man leaueth an inheritance to his childrens children: and the * wealth of the sinner is laid vp for the iust.

23 *Much food is in the tillage of the poore: but there is that is destroyed for want of iudgement.

24 *He that spareth his rod, hateth his sonne: but he that loueth him, chasteneth him betimes.

25 *The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soule: but the belly of the wicked shall want.

CHAP. XIIII.

EVery wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it downe with her hands.

2 *He that walketh in his vprightnesse, feareth the LORD: but hee that is peruerse in his wayes, despiseth him.

3 In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserue them.

4 Where no oxen are, the crib is cleane: but much increase is by the strength of the oxe.

5 *A faithfull witnesse will not lie: but a false witnesse will vtter lies. * Exod. 20.16, & 23.1. chro. 6.19. and 12.17.

6 A scorner seeketh wisedome, and findeth it not: but * knowledge is easie vnto him that vnderstandeth. * Chap. 8.9.

7 Goe from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceiuest not in him the lippes of knowledge.

8 The wisdome of the prudent is to vnderstand his way: but the folly of fooles is deceit.

9 Fooles make a mocke at * sinne: but among the righteous there is fauour. * Chap. 10.23.

10 The heart knoweth his † owne bitternesse: and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his ioy. † Hebr. the bitternesse of his soule.

11 The house of the wicked shalbe ouerthrowne: but the tabernacle of the vpright shall flourish.

12 *There is a way which seemeth right vnto a man: but the end thereof are the wayes of death. * Chap. 16.25.

13 Euen in laughter the heart is sorrowfull; and the end of that mirth is heauinesse.

14 The backslider in heart shall be *filled with his owne wayes: and a good man shall be satisfied from himselfe. * Chap. 1.31.

15 The simple beleeueth euery word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going.

16 A wise man feareth and departeth from euill: but the foole rageth, and is confident.

17 He that is soone angry, dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked deuices is hated.

18 The simple inherite folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

19 The euill bow before the good: and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.

20 * The poore is hated euen of his owne neighbour: but † the rich hath many friends. * Chap. 19.7.

21 He that despiseth his neighbour, sinneth: * but he that hath mercy on the poore, happy is hee. † Hebr. many are the louers of the rich.

22 Doe they not erre that deuise euill? but mercy and truth shall be to them that deuise good.

23 In all labour there is profit: but the talke of the lips tendeth onely to penury. * Psal. 119.9. & Prou. 12.24.

24 The crowne of the wise is their riches: but the foolishnesse of fooles is folly.

25 * A true witnesse deliuereth soules: but a deceitfull witnesse speaketh lies. * Vers. 5.

26 In the feare of the LORD is strong confidence: and his children shall haue a place of refuge.

27 * The feare of the LORD is a fountaine of life, to depart from the snares of death. * Chap. 13.14.

28 In the multitude of people is the Kings honour: but the want of people is the destruction of the Prince.

29 He that is slow to wrath is of great vnderstanding: but he that is † hasty of spirit, exalteth folly. † Hebr. short of spirit.

30 A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but enuie the rottennesse of the bones.

31 *He that oppresseth the poore, reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him, hath mercy on the poore. * Chap. 17.5. mat. 25.40.

32 The wicked is driuen away in his wickednesse: but the righteous hath hope in his death.

33 Wisedome resteth in the heart of him that hath vnderstanding: but that which is in the midst of fooles, is made knowne.

34 Righteousnes exalteth a nation: but sinne is a reproch † to any people. † Hebr. to nations.

35 The Kings fauour is toward a wise seruant: but his wrath is against him that causeth shame.

CHAP. XV.

A *Soft answere turneth away wrath: but grieuous words stirre vp anger.

2 The tongue of the wise vseth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fooles † powreth out *foolishnesse.

3 *The eyes of the LORD are in euery place, beholding the euill and the good.

4 †A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but peruersenesse therein is a breach in the spirit.

5 *A foole despiseth his fathers instruction: but he that regardeth reproofe is prudent.

6 In the house of the righteous is much treasure: but in the reuenewes of the wicked is trouble.

7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish doth not so.

8 *The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the vpright is his delight.

9 The way of the wicked is an abomination vnto the LORD: but hee loueth him that followeth after righteousnesse.

10 ‖ Correction is grieuous vnto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproofe shal die.

11 *Hell and destruction are before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?

12 A scorner loueth not one that reproueth him: neither will he goe vnto the wise.

13 *A merry heart maketh a cheerefull countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

14 The heart of him that hath vnderstanding, seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fooles feedeth on foolishnesse.

15 All the dayes of the afflicted are euill: but he that is of a merry heart, hath a continuall feast.

16 *Better is little with the feare of the LORD, then great treasure and trouble therewith.

17 *Better is a dinner of herbes where loue is, then a stalled oxe, and hatred therewith.

18 *A wrathfull man stirreth vp strife: but hee that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.

19 The way of the slothfull man is as an hedge of thornes: but the way of the righteous is made † plaine.

20 *A wise sonne maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.

21 *Folly is ioy to him that is † destitute of wisedome: but a man of vnderstanding walketh vprightly.

22 *Without counsell, purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellers they are established.

23 A man hath ioy by the answere of his mouth: and a word spoken † in due season, how good is it?

24 *The way of life is aboue to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

25 *The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.

26 *The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but the words of the pure, are † pleasant words.

27 He that is greedy of gaine troubleth his own house: but he that hateth gifts shall liue.

28 The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked powreth out euill things.

29 *The LORD is farre from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

30 The light of the eyes reioyceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.

31 The eare that heareth the reproofe of life, abideth among the wise.

32 Hee that refuseth ‖ instruction, despiseth his owne soule: but hee that ‖ heareth reproofe, getteth vnderstanding.

33 The feare of the LORD is the instruction of wisedome, and *before honour is humility.

CHAP. XVI.

THe *‖ preparations of the heart in man, and the answere of the tongue, is from the LORD.

2 *All the wayes of a man are cleane in his owne eyes: but the LORD weigheth the spirits.

3 *†Commit thy workes vnto the LORD, and thy thoughts shalbe established.

4 The LORD hath made all things for himselfe: yea, *euen the wicked for the day of euill.

5 *Euery one that is proud in heart, is an abomination to the LORD: though hand ioyne in hand, hee shall not be † vnpunished.

6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the feare of the LORD men depart from euill.

7 When a mans wayes please the LORD, he maketh euen his enemies to be at peace with him.

8 *Better is a little with righteousnesse, then great reuenewes without right.

9 *A mans heart deuiseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

10 †A diuine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in iudgement.

11 *A iust weight and ballance are the LORDS: † all the weights of the bag are his worke.

12 It is an abomination to Kings to commit wickednesse: for the throne is established by righteousnesse.

13 Righteous lips are the delight of Kings: and they loue him that speaketh right.

14 The wrath of a King is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacifie it.

15 In the light of the Kings countenance is life, and *his fauour is as a cloud of the latter raine.

16 *How much better is it to get wisedome, then gold? and to get vnderstanding, rather to be chosen then siluer?

17 The high way of the vpright is to depart from euill: he that keepeth his way preserueth his soule.

18 *Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughtie spirit before a fall.

19 Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, then to diuide the spoile with the proud.

20 ‖ Hee that handleth a matter wisely, shall find good: & whoso *trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.

21 The wise in heart shalbe called prudent, and the sweetnesse of the lips increaseth learning.

22 *Vnderstanding is a well spring of life vnto him that hath it: but the instruction of fooles is folly.

23 The heart of the wise † teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.

24 Pleasant words are as a honey combe, sweet to the soules and health to the bones.

25 *There is a way that seemeth right vnto a man: but the end thereof are the wayes of death.

26 † He that laboureth, laboureth for himself: for his mouth craueth it of him.

27 † An vngodly man diggeth vp euill: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.

28 *A froward man † soweth strife, and a whisperer separateth chiefe friends.

*Chap. 25.14 † Hebr. belcheth, or, bubbleth.
*Ver. 28. and chap. 12.23. and 22.16.
*Iob 34. 21. pro. 5. 21. ier. 16. 17. and 32 19. hebr. 4.13.
† Heb. the healing of the tongue is his delight.
*Chap. 20.1.
*Chap 21 27. amos 3.10. 15.1. 11. and 66 3. ier. 6.20 and 7.22.
‖ Or, instruction, &c.
*Iob 28.6
*Chap. 17.22.
*Psal. 37. 16. 1. tim. 6.6. chap. 16.8.
*Chap. 17.1.
*Chap. 26 21. and 29.22.
† Hebr. is vsed vp as a cake.
*Chap. 10.1.
*Chap. 10.23.
† Hebr. void of heart.
*See chap. 11. ver. 14.
† Heb. in his season.
*Phil. 3. 20 col. 3.2
*Chap. 12.7. and 14.11.
*Chap. 6.18.
† Hebr. words of pleasantnesse.
*Psal. 34. 16. and 145.18.

* Chap 14 12. † Heb. the soule of him that labo-reth, laboureth vnto him † Hebr. a man of Belial. *Chap. and 15.18. and 26 21. and 29.22. † Hebr. frame

19 A violent man entiſeth his neighbour, and
leadeth him into the way *that is* not good.
20 He ſhutteth his eye to deuiſe froward things:
mouing his lips he bringeth euill to paſſe.
21 The hoary head is a crowne of glory, *if it* bee
found in the way of righteouſneſſe.
22 Hee that is ſlow to anger, *is* better then the
mightie: and he that ruleth his ſpirit, then he that
taketh a city.
23 The lot is caſt into the lappe: but the whole
diſpoſing thereof *is* of the LORD.

CHAP. XVII.

1 Better * is a dry morſell, and quietneſſe therwith,
then an houſe full of ‖ ſacrifices *with* ſtrife.
2 A wiſe ſeruant ſhall haue rule ouer a ſon that
cauſeth ſhame; and ſhall haue part of the inheri-
tance among the brethren.
3 * The fining pot *is* for ſiluer, and the furnace
for gold: but the LORD triedth the hearts.
4 A wicked doer giueth heed to falſe lips: *and*
a lier giueth eare to a naughty tongue.
5 * Whoſo mocketh the poore, reproacheth his
Maker: *and* he that is glad at calamities, ſhall not
† vnpuniſhed.
6 * Childrens children *are* the crowne of old
men: and the glory of children *are* their fathers.
7 † Excellent ſpeech becommeth not a foole:
much leſſe doe † lying lips a Prince.
8 * A gift is *as a* † precious ſtone in the eyes of
him that hath it: whitherſoeuer it turneth, it pro-
ſpereth.
9 * Hee that couereth a tranſgreſſion, ‖ ſeeketh
loue: but hee that repeateth a matter, ſeparateth
very friends.
10 A reproofe entreth more into a wiſe man,
then an hundred ſtripes into a foole.
11 An euill man ſeeketh onely rebellion, there-
fore a cruell meſſenger ſhalbe ſent againſt him.
12 Let a Beare robbed of her whelps meet a man,
rather then a foole in his folly.
13 Whoſo * rewardeth euill for good, euill ſhall
not depart from his houſe.
14 The beginning of ſtrife is *as* when one let-
teth out water: therefore leaue off contention be-
fore it be medled with.
15 * Hee that iuſtifieth the wicked, and hee that
condemneth the iuſt: euen they both *are* abomina-
tion to the LORD.
16 Wherefore *is there* a price in the hand of a
foole to get wiſdome, ſeeing *he hath* no heart *to it*?
17 * A friend loueth at all times, and a brother
is borne for aduerſity.
18 * A man void of † vnderſtanding ſtriketh
hands, *and* becommeth ſurety in the preſence of his
friend.
19 Hee loueth tranſgreſſion that loueth ſtrife:
and he that exalteth his gate, ſeeketh deſtruction.
20 † He that hath a froward heart, findeth no
good: and hee that hath a peruerſe tongue, falleth
into miſchiefe.
21 He that begetteth a foole, *doth it* to his ſor-
row, and the father of a foole hath no ioy.
22 * A merry heart doth good ‖ *like* a medicine:
but a broken ſpirit drieth the bones.
23 A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bo-
ſome, to peruert the wayes of iudgement.
24 * Wiſedome *is* before him that hath vnder-
ſtanding, but the eyes of a foole *are* in the ends
of the earth.

25 * A fooliſh ſonne *is* a griefe to his father, and
bitterneſſe to her that bare him.
26 Alſo to puniſh the iuſt *is* not good, nor to
ſtrike princes for equitie.
27 * He that hath knowledge, ſpareth his words:
and a man of vnderſtanding is of ‖ an excellent
ſpirit.
28 * Euen a foole when he holdeth his peace, is
counted wiſe: *and* he that ſhutteth his lips *is eſte-
med* a man of vnderſtanding.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Through deſire a man hauing ‖ ſeparated him-
ſelfe, ſeeketh *and* intermedleth with all
wiſedome.
2 A foole hath no delight in vnderſtanding, but
that his heart may diſcouer it ſelfe.
3 When the wicked commeth, then commeth al-
ſo contempt, and with ignominy reproach.
4 * The words of a mans mouth *are as* deepe
waters, *and* the wel ſpring of wiſdome *as* a flowing
brooke.
5 * It is not good to accept the perſon of the
wicked, to ouerthrow the righteous in iudgement.
6 A fooles lips enter into contention, and his
mouth calleth for ſtrokes.
7 * A fooles mouth *is* his deſtruction, and his
lipes *are* the ſnare of his ſoule.
8 * The words of a ‖ tale-bearer *are* † as wounds,
and they goe downe into the † innermoſt parts of
the belly.
9 He alſo that is ſlothfull in his worke, is bro-
ther to him that is a great waſter.
10 * The name of the LORD *is* a ſtrong towre:
the righteous runneth into it, and † is ſafe.
11 * The rich mans wealth *is* his ſtrong city; and
as an high wall in his owne conceit.
12 * Before deſtruction, the hart of man is haugh-
ty, and before honour, *is* humility.
13 He that † anſwereth a matter before he heareth
it, it is folly and ſhame vnto him.
14 The ſpirit of a man will ſuſtaine his infirmi-
ty: but a wounded ſpirit who can beare?
15 The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge,
and the eare of the wiſe ſeeketh knowledge.
16 * A mans gift maketh roome for him, and
bringeth him before great men.
17 He that *is* firſt in his owne cauſe *ſeemeth* iuſt,
but his neighbour commeth and ſearcheth him.
18 The lot cauſeth contentions to ceaſe, and par-
teth betweene the mighty.
19 A brother offended *is harder to be won* then a
ſtrong city: and *their* contentions *are* like the bars
of a caſtle.
20 * A mans belly ſhall be ſatisfied with the fruit
of his mouth, *and* with the increaſe of his lips ſhall
he be filled.
21 Death and life *are* in the power of the tongue,
and they that loue it ſhall eat the fruit thereof.
22 * *Whoſo* findeth a wife, findeth a good thing,
and obtaineth fauour of the LORD.
23 The poore vſeth intreaties, but the rich an-
ſwereth * roughly.
24 A man that hath friends, muſt ſhew himſelfe
friendly: * and there is a friend *that* ſticketh clo-
ſer then a brother.

CHAP. XIX.

1 Better * *is* the poore that walketh in his inte-
grity, then hee that is peruerſe in his lips, and
is a foole.

* Chap. 10.1. & 15.20. & 19.13.
* Iam. 1.19.
‖ Or, a coole ſpirit.
* Iob 13.5
‖ Or, he that ſeparateth himſelfe, ſeeketh according to his deſire and intermeddleth in euery buſineſſe.
* Chap. 20.5.
* Chap. 24.23. Ieuit. 19. Deu. 16.19
* Chap. 10.14. & 12 13. & 13.3.
* Chap. 12.18. & 16.22.
‖ Or, whiſperer.
‖ Or, like as when men are wounded.
† Hebr. chambers.
* Pſal. 18. 2. & 27.1. & 144.2.
† Hebr. is ſet aſtaſt.
* Chap. 10.15.
* Cha. 11. 2. & 16.18 & 15.33.
† Hebr. returneth a word.
* Chap. 17.8.
* Chap. 12.14. & 13.2
* Chap. 19.14
* Iam. 2.3.
* Chap. 17.17.
* Chap. 28.6.

2 Also that the soule be without knowledge, it is not good, and he that hasteth with his feet, sinneth.

3 The foolishnesse of man perverteth his way, and his heart fretteth against the LORD.

4 Wealth maketh many friends: but the poore is separated from his neighbour.

5 A false witnesse shall not bee vnpunished: and he that speaketh lies shall not escape.

6 Many will intreat the fauour of the Prince: and euery man is a friend to him that giueth gifts.

7 All the brethren of the poore doe hate him: how much more doe his friends goe far from him? he pursueth them with words, yet they are wanting to him.

8 He that getteth wisdom, loueth his own soule: he that keepeth vnderstanding shall find good.

9 A false witnesse shall not bee vnpunished: and he that speaketh lies, shall perish

10 Delight is not seemely for a foole, much lesse for a seruant to haue rule ouer Princes.

11 The discretion of a man deferreth his anger, and it is his glory to passe ouer a transgression.

12 The Kings wrath is as the roaring of a lion: but his fauour is as dew vpon the grasse.

13 A foolish son is the calamity of his father & the contentions of a wife are a continuall dropping.

14 House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the LORD.

15 Slothfulnesse casteth into a deepe sleepe: and an idle soule shall suffer hunger.

16 He that keepeth the commandement, keepeth his owne soule: but he that despiseth his wayes, shall die.

17 He that hath pitie on the poore, lendeth vnto the LORD, and that which hee hath giuen, will he pay him againe.

18 Chasten thy sonne while there is hope: and let not thy soule spare for his crying.

19 A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliuer him, yet thou must do it again.

20 Heare counsell, and receiue instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

21 There are many deuices in a mans heart: neuertheless, the counsell of the LORD, that shall stand.

22 The desire of a man is his kindnesse: and a poore man is better then a lyar.

23 The feare of the LORD tendeth to life, and he that hath it, shall abide satisfied: he shall not be visited with euill.

24 A slothfull man hideth his hand in his bosome, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth againe.

25 Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reproue one that hath vnderstanding, and he will vnderstand knowledge.

26 He that wasteth his father, and chaseth away his mother: is a sonne that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.

27 Cease, my sonne, to heare the instruction that causeth to erre from the words of knowledge.

28 An vngodly witnesse scorneth iudgement: and the mouth of the wicked deuoureth iniquity.

29 Iudgements are prepared for scorners, and stripes for the backe of fooles.

* Chap. 14. 20. * Exod. 23.1. deut. 19.16. pron. 6.9. & 21. 28. † Hebr. beld innocent. † Hebr. raiseth vp against his. * Chap. 14.20. † Hebr. an heart. * Verse 5. * Eccles. 10.6. pro. 30.22. * Chap. 14.29. ‖ Or, prudence. * Chap. 16.15. & 20.2. & 28.15. * Chap. 10.1. & 15.20. & 17.21. & 25. and cha. 21.9. * Chap. 27.15. * Chap. 18.22. * Chap. 10.4. & 20.13. * Luke 11.28. * Mat. 10. 42. & 25. 40. 2. cor. 9.6. & 7. ‖ Or, his deed. * Chap. 13.24. & 23.13. ‖ Or, to his destruction, or, to cause him to die. † Hebr. adae. * Iob 23. 13. psal. 53 10, 11. pro. 16.1. and 9. 11. & 16.10. * Chap 15.8. and 28.13. & 15. * Chap. 21. 11. † Hebr. will be cunning. † Hebr. a witnesse of Belial.

CHAP. XX.

WIne is a mocker, strong drinke is raging: and whosoeuer is deceiued thereby, is not wise.

2 The feare of a King is as the roaring of a lion: whoso prouoketh him to anger, sinneth against his owne soule.

3 It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but euery foole will be medling.

4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold: therefore shall hee beg in harueſt, and lo, nothing.

5 Counsell in the heart of man is like deepe water: but a man of vnderstanding will draw it out.

6 Most men will proclaime euery one his owne goodnesse: but a faithfull man who can find?

7 The iust man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

8 A King that sitteth in the throne of iudgment, scatereth away all euill with his eyes.

9 Who can say, I haue made my heart cleane, I am pure from my sinne?

10 Diuers weights, and diuers measures, both of them are alike abomination to the LORD.

11 Euen a child is knowne by his doings, whether his worke be pure, and whether it be right.

12 The hearing eare, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made euen both of them.

13 Loue not sleepe, least thou come to pouerty: open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

14 It is nought, it is nought, (saith the buyer:) but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.

15 There is gold and a multitude of Rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious iewell.

16 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a forraine woman.

17 Bread of deceit is sweet to a man: but afterward his mouth shall be filled with grauell.

18 Euery purpose is established by counsell: and with good aduice make warre.

19 He that goeth about as a tale-bearer, reuealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flatteth with his lips.

20 Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lampe shall be put out in obscure darkenesse.

21 An inheritance may bee gotten hastily in the beginning: but the end thereof shall not be blessed.

22 Say not thou, I will recompense euill: but wait on the LORD, and he shall saue thee.

23 Diuers weights are an abomination vnto the LORD: and a false ballance is not good.

24 Mans goings are of the LORD, how can a man then vnderstand his owne way?

25 It is a snare to the man who deuoureth that which is holy: and after vowes to make enquiry.

26 A wise King scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheele ouer them.

27 The spirit of man is the ‖ candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

28 Mercy and truth preserue the King: and his throne is vpholden by mercy.

29 The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the gray head.

30 The blewnesse of a wound † cleanseth away euill: so doe stripes the inward parts of the belly.

* Prou. 12 17. 1. thes. 5 15. * Verse 19. of secrets. * Psal. 27.22. chap. 16.9 verse. 10.33. 1 Sam. 8.&c. ‖ Or, lampe. * Psal. 101.5. & 18.18. † Hebr. is a purging medicin against euill.

CHAP. XXI.

THE Kings heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the riuers of water: he turneth it whithersoeuer hee will.

* Euery way of a man *is* right in his owne eyes: the LORD pondereth the hearts.
* To do iustice and iudgement, is more acceptable to the LORD then sacrifice.
† An high looke, and a proud heart, *and* the ploughing of the wicked, *is* sinne.
The thoughts of the diligent *tend* onely to plentifulnesse: but of euery one that is hasty, only to want.
* The getting of treasures by a lying tongue *is* a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seeke death.
The robberie of the wicked shall † destroy them; because they refuse to doe iudgement.
The way of man *is* froward and strange: but as for the pure, his worke *is* right.
* It is better to dwell in a corner of the house top, then with a brawling woman in a † wide house.
* The soule of the wicked desireth euill: his neighbour † findeth no fauour in his eyes.
When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiueth knowledge.
The righteous man wisely considereth the house of the wicked: *but* God ouerthroweth the wicked for their wickednesse.
Who so stoppeth his eares at the cry of the poore, he also shall cry himselfe, but shall not be heard.
A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosome, strong wrath.
It *is* ioy to the iust to doe iudgement: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.
The man that wandreth out of the way of vnderstanding, shall remaine in the congregation of the dead.
He that loueth pleasure, *shall be* a poore man: he that loueth wine and oile, shall not be rich.
* The wicked *shall be* a ransome for the righteous, and the transgressour for the vpright.
* It is better to dwell † in the wilderness, then with a contentious and an angry woman.
There is treasure to be desired, and oyle in the dwelling of the wise: but a foolish man spendeth it vp.
He that followeth after righteousnesse and mercy, findeth life, righteousnesse, and honour.
* A wise man scaleth the citie of the mighty, and casteth downe the strength of the confidence thereof.
* Who so keepeth his mouth, and his tongue, keepeth his soule from troubles.
Proud *and* haughty scorner *is* his name, *who* worketh in the proud wrath.
* The desire of the slothfull killeth him: for his hands refuse to labour.
He coueteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giueth and spareth not.
The sacrifice of the wicked *is* abomination: how much more, *when* he bringeth it † with a wicked mind?
*† A false witnesse shall perish: but the man that heareth, speaketh constantly.
A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the vpright, he † directeth his way.
There is no wisdome, nor vnderstanding, nor counsell against the LORD.
The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but * safety is of the LORD.

CHAP. XXII.

A * *Good* name is rather to be chosen then great riches, *and* ‖ louing fauour rather then siluer and gold.
The rich and poore meete together: the LORD *is* the maker of them all.
* A prudent man foreseeth the euill, and hideth himselfe: but the simple passe on, and are punished.
* ‖ By humility, *and* the feare of the LORD, *are* riches, and honour, and life.
Thornes *and* snares *are* in the way of the froward: he that doeth keepe his soule, shall be farre from them.
‖ Traine vp a child † in the way that he should goe: and when he is olde, he will not depart from it.
The rich ruleth ouer the poore: and the borrower *is* seruant † to the lender.
* He that soweth iniquity, shall reape vanity: ‖ and the rodde of his anger shall faile.
* † He that *hath* a bountifull eye, shall be blessed: for he giueth of his bread to the poore.
* Cast out the scorner, and contention shall goe out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.
He that loueth pureness of heart, ‖ *for* the grace of his lips, the King *shall be* his friend.
The eyes of the LORD preserue knowledge, and he ouerthroweth the ‖ words of the transgressour.
* The slothfull man saith, *There is* a lyon without, I shall be slaine in the streetes.
* The mouth of strange women *is* a deepe pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD, shall fall therein.
Foolishnesse is bound in the heart of a child: *but* * the rod of correction shall driue it far from him.
He that oppresseth the poore to increase his riches, *and* he that giueth to the rich, shall surely *come* to want.
Bow downe thine eare, and heare the words of the wise, & apply thine heart vnto my knowledge:
For it *is* a pleasant thing, if thou keepe them † within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips.
That thy trust may be in the LORD, I haue made knowne to thee this day, *euen* to thee.
Haue not I written to thee excellent things in counsailes and knowledge:
That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answere the words of truth ‖ to them that send vnto thee?
Rob not the poore, because he *is* poore: * neither oppresse the afflicted in the gate.
For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoile the soule of those that spoiled them.
Make no friendship with an angry man: and with a furious man thou shalt not goe:
Lest thou learne his wayes, and get a snare to thy soule.
* Bee not thou *one* of them that strike hands, *or* of them that are sureties for debts,
If thou *hast* nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from vnder thee?
* Remoue not the ancient ‖ land marke, which thy fathers haue set.
Seest thou a man diligent in his businesse? he shall stand before Kings: he shall not stand before † meane men.

* Eccles. 7.7. ‖ *Or, fauour is better then, &c.* * Chap. 29.13. * Chap. 27.12. * Psalme 112.13. ‖ *Or, the reward of humilitie, &c.* ‖ *Or, casteth.* † *Heb. in his way.* † *Hebr. to the man that lendeth.* * Iob 4.8 hoseae. 10. 13. ‖ *Or, and with the rod of his anger he shall be consumed* * 2. Cor. 9.6. † *Hebr. good of eye.* * Psal. 101.6. ‖ *Or, and hath grace in his lips.* ‖ *Or, the masters.* * Chap. 26.13. * Chap. 2.16. and 23.27. and 5.3. and 7.5. * Chap. 13.24. & 29.15.17. † *Hebr. in thy belly.* ‖ *Or, trust thou also.* ‖ *Or, to those that fund thee.* * Zach. 7.10. * Chap. 22.29. Deut. 19. 17.

23 ‖ Iob 31.21. * Chap. 6.1. and 11.15. * Chap. 13.10, 19. and 27.7. ‖ *Or, lament.* † *Hebr. obscure men.*

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CHAP. XXIII.

WHen thou sittest to eate with a ruler, consider diligently what *is* before thee.
2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou bee a man giuen to appetite.
3 Bee not desirous of dainties: for they *are* deceitfull meat.
4 * Labour not to be rich; cease from thine owne wisedome.
5 † Wilt thou set thine eyes vpon that which is not? for riches certainely make themselues wings, they flee away as an Eagle toward heauen.
6 Eate thou not the bread of *him that hath* an euill eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats.
7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eate and drinke saith he to thee; but his heart *is* not with thee.
8 The morsell *which* thou hast eaten, shalt thou vomite vp, and lose thy sweet words.
9 Speake not in the eares of a foole: for he will despise the wisedome of thy words.
10 * Remoue not the old ‖ land-marke, and enter not into the fields of the fatherlesse.
11 * For their redeemer is mighty, he shal pleade their cause with thee.
12 Apply thine heart vnto instruction, and thine eares vnto the words of knowledge.
13 * Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod he shall not die.
14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliuer his soule from hell.
15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall reioyce, *euen* mine.
16 Yea, my reines shall reioyce: when thy lips speake right things.
17 * Let not thine heart enuy sinners, but *be thou* in the feare of the LORD all the day long.
18 * For surely there is an ‖ end, and thine expectation shall not be cut off.
19 Heare thou, my sonne, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.
20 * Be not among wine bibbers, among riotous eaters † of flesh.
21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to pouerty, & drowsines shall clothe *a man* with rags.
22 * Hearken vnto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.
23 Buy the truth, and sell it not; *also* wisedome, and instruction, and vnderstanding.
24 * The father of the righteous shall greatly reioyce, and he that begetteth a wise *child*, shall haue ioy of him.
25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall reioyce.
26 My sonne, giue me thine heart, and let thine eyes obserue my wayes.
27 * For a whore *is* a deepe ditch, and a strange woman *is* a narrow pit.
28 *She also lyeth in wait ‖ as *for a* prey, and increaseth the transgressours among men.
29 * Who *hath* woe? who *hath* sorrow? who *hath* contentions? who *hath* babling? who *hath* wounds without cause? who *hath* redenesse of eyes?
30 They that tarry long at the wine, they that go to seeke mixt wine.
31 Looke not thou vpon the wine when it is red, when it giueth his colour in the cup, *when* it mooueth it selfe aright.
32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an Adder.
33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall vtter peruerse things.
34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth downe in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth vpon the top of a mast.
35 They haue stricken me, *shalt thou say*, (I was not sicke: they haue beaten me, and I felt it not) when shall I awake? I will seeke it yet againe.

CHAP. XXIIII.

BE not * thou enuious against euill men, neither desire to be with them.
2 * For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talke of mischiefe.
3 Through wisedome is an house builded, and by vnderstanding it is established.
4 And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.
5 A wise man † *is* strong, yea, a man of knowledge † increaseth strength.
6 * For by wise counsell thou shalt make thy warre: & in multitude of counsellers *there is* safety.
7 Wisedome *is* too high for a foole: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.
8 He that deuiseth to doe euill, shall be called a mischieuous person.
9 The thought of foolishnesse *is* sinne: and the scorner *is* an abomination to men.
10 *If* thou faint in the day of aduersity, thy strength *is* † small:
11 * If thou forbeare to deliuer them that are drawne vnto death, and those that are ready to be slaine:
12 If thou saiest, Behold, we knew it not, doth not he that pondereth the heart, consider *it*? and he that keepeth thy soule, doth not he know *it*? and shall not he render to euery man * according to his workes?
13 My son, eat thou honey because it *is* good, and the honey combe, *which is* sweet to thy taste.
14 So *shall* the knowledge of wisedome *be vnto* thy soule: when thou hast found *it*, *then* there shall be a reward, & thy expectation shall not be cut off.
15 Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous: spoile not his resting place:
16 * For a iust man falleth seuen times, and riseth vp *again*: but the wicked shall fall into mischiefe.
17 * Reioyce not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:
18 Lest the LORD *see it*, and † it displease *him*, and he turne away his wrath from him.
19 * ‖ Fret not thy selfe because of euill men, neither be thou enuious at the wicked.
20 * For there shall be no reward to the euill man: the ‖ candle of the wicked shall be put out.
21 My son, feare thou the LORD, and the King, and meddle not with † them *that are* giuen to change:
22 For their calamity shall arise suddenly, & who knoweth the ruine of them both?
23 These things also *belong* to the wise. It is not good to haue respect of persons in iudgement.
24 * He that saith vnto the wicked, Thou *art* righteous: him shall the people curse, nations shall abhorre him:
25 But to them that rebuke *him* shall be delight, and † a good blessing shall come vpon them.
26 *Euery man* shall kisse *his* lips that ‖ giueth right answere.
27 Prepare thy worke without, and make it fit for thy selfe in the field: and afterwards build thine house.
28 Be not a witnesse against thy neighbour without cause: and deceiue not with thy lips.

* 1. Tim. 6. 9, 10.
† Hebr. *wilt thou cause thine eyes to flie vpon?*
* Chap. 22. 28. deut. 19. 14. and 27. 17.
‖ Or, *bound.*
* Chap. 22. 23. Iob 31. 11.
* Chap. 13. 24. and 19. 18. and 22. 15.
‖ Or, *euen I will reioyce.*
* Chap. 24. 1. & 3. 31. psal. 37. 1. & 73. 3.
* Chap. 24. 14.
‖ Or, *reward.*
* Rom. 13. 13. ephe. 5. 18
† Hebr. *of their flesh.*
* Chap. 1. 8.
* Chap. 10. 1. & 15. 20.
* Chap. 22. 14.
* Chap. 7. 12.
‖ Or, *as a robber.*
* Esay 5. 11.
‖ Or, *a cockatrice*

* Chap. 3. 31.
* Chap. 1. 16. & 6. 9. iob. 5. 21.
* Chap. 17. reioyce not
blessing of good. † Heb. that answereth right words

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* Say not, I will doe so to him, as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.

I went by the field of the slothfull, and by the vineyard of the man void of vnderstanding.

And loe, it was all growne ouer with thornes, nettles had couered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken downe.

Then I saw, *and* † considered it well, I looked vpon it, *and* receiued instruction.

Yet a little sleepe, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleepe:

So shall thy pouerty come, as one that trauelleth, and thy want as † an armed man.

CHAP. XXV.

Obseruations about kings, 8 and about auoyding causes of quarrels, and sundry causes thereof.

These *are* also Prouerbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah King of Iudah coppied out.

It is the glory of God to conceale a thing: but the honour of Kings *is* to search out the matter.

The heauen for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of Kings *is* vnsearchable.

Take away the drosse from the siluer, and there shall come forth a vessell for the finer.

* Take away the wicked *from* before ‡ Kings, and his throne shall be established in righteousnesse.

† Put not forth thy selfe in the presence of the King, and stand not in the place of great men.

* For better *it is* that it bee said vnto thee, Come vp hither: then that thou shouldest bee put lower in the presence of the Prince, whom thine eyes haue seene.

Go not forth hastily to striue, lest *thou know* not what to do in the end thereof, when thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.

* Debate thy cause with thy neighbour *himselfe*, and ‖ discouer not a secret to another:

Lest he that heareth it put thee to shame, and thine infamy turne not away. *Mat. 5. 25.*

A word † fitly spoken, *is* like apples of gold in pictures of siluer.

As an eare-ring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, *so is* a wise reprouer vpon an obedient eare.

* As the cold of snow in the time of harueste, *so is* a faithfull messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soule of his masters.

Whoso boasteth himselfe † of a false gift, is like clouds and wind without raine.

* By long forbearing is a Prince perswaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

Hast thou found hony? eat so much as is sufficient for thee: lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

‖ Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbours house, lest he be weary of thee, and *so* hate thee.

A man that beareth false witnes against * his neighbour, *is* a maule, and a sword, and a sharpe arrow.

Confidence in an vnfaithfull man in time of trouble, *is like* a broken tooth, and a foot out of ioynt.

As he that taketh away a garment in colde weather, *and as* vinegar vpon nitre, *so is* he that singeth songs to an heauy heart.

If thine enemy be hungry, giue him bread to eate: and if he be thirsty, giue him water to drinke.

For thou shalt heape coales of fire vpon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

The North wind driueth away raine: so doth a ‖ angry countenance a backbiting tongue.

It is better to dwel in a corner of the house top, then *with* a brawling woman, & in a wide house.

As cold waters to a thirsty soule: *so is* good newes from a farre country.

A righteous man falling down before ‡ wicked, *is as* a troubled fountaine, & a corrupt spring.

It is not good to eat much hony: so *for men* to search their owne glory, *is not* glory.

* He that *hath* no rule ouer his owne spirit, is *like* a city that is broken downe *and* without walls.

CHAP. XXVI.

Obseruations about fooles, 13 about sluggards, 17 and about contentious busi-bodies.

AS snow in summer, and as raine in harueste: so honour is not seemly for a foole.

As the bird by wandring, as the swallow by flying: so the curse causeles shall not come.

* A whip for the horse, a bridle for the asse, and a rod for the fooles backe.

Answere not a foole according to his folly, lest thou also be like him.

Answere a foole according to his folly, lest he be wise in † his owne conceit.

He that sendeth a message by the hand of a foole, cutteth off the feet, & drinketh ‖ damage.

The legs of the lame † are not equall: so *is a* parable in the mouth of fooles.

‖ As he that bindeth a stone in a sling: so *is he* that giueth honour to a foole.

As a thorne goeth vp into the hand of a drunkard, so *is a* parable in the mouth of fooles.

‖ The great *God* that formed all things, both rewardeth the foole, and rewardeth transgressors.

* As a dog returneth to his vomit: *so* a foole † returneth to his folly.

Seest thou a man wise in his owne conceit? *there is* more hope of a foole then of him.

* The slothfull man saith, *There is* a lyon in the way: a lyon *is* in the streets.

As the dore turneth vpon his hinges: so *doth* the slothfull vpon his bed.

* The slothfull hideth his hand in his bosome, ‖ it grieueth him to bring it againe to his mouth.

The sluggard *is* wiser in his owne conceit, then seuen men that can render a reason.

He that passeth by, *and* ‖ meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the eares.

As a mad man: who casteth † fire brands, arrowes, and death:

So *is* the man *that* deceiueth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?

Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so *where* there is no † talebearer, ‡ strife † ceaseth.

* *As* coales *are* to burning coales, and wood to fire: so *is a* contentious man to kindle strife.

The words of a talebearer *are as* wounds: and they goe downe into the † innermost parts of the belly.

Burning lips, and a wicked heart, *are like* a potsherd couered with siluer dosse.

He that hateth ‖ dissembleth with his lips, and layeth vp deceit within him.

When he † speaketh faire, beleeue him not: for *there are* seuen abominations in his heart.

‖ *Whose* hatred is couered by deceit: his wickednesse shall be shewed before ‡ whole congregation.

* Whoso diggeth a pit, shall fall therein: & he that rolleth a stone, it will returne vpon him.

A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it, and a flattering mouth worketh ruine. *Psal. 27. 26. 27.*

* Chap. 21. 2. & 19. 13.

* Chap. 10. 13.

p Or, 32. 9.

† Heb. *in his own eyes.*

‖ Or, *violence.*

* Chap. 19. 29.

† Heb. *are lifted vp.*

‖ Or, *as he that putteth a precious stone in an heape of stones.*

‖ Or, *a great man griueth all, and he hireth the foole, he hireth also* Ier. 37. *so transgressors.* 2. Pet. 2.

* Chap. 22. 13.

† Heb. *stirreth his soule.*

* Chap. 22. 13.

* Chap. 19. 24.

‖ Or, *he is weary.*

‖ Or, *is enraged.*

† Heb. *flames or sparkes.*

† Heb. *without wood.*

* Chap. 22. 10.

‖ Or, *whisperer.*

† Heb. *is silent.*

* Chap. 15. 18. & 29. 22.

* Chap. 28. 3.

† Heb. *chambers of secrets.* ‖ Or, *is knowne.* † Heb. *maketh his voyce gracious.* ‖ Or, *hatred is couered in secret.* * Eccles. 10. 5. Psal. 17. 16. and 9. 15.

CHAP. XXIII.

WHen thou ſitteſt to eate with a ruler, conſider diligently what *is* before thee.

2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou bee a man giuen to appetite.

3 Bee not deſirous of dainties: for they *are* deceitfull meate.

4 * Labour not to be rich; ceaſe from thine owne wiſedome.

5 † Wilt thou ſet thine eyes vpon that which is not? for riches certainely make themſelues wings, they flee away as an Eagle toward heauen.

6 Eate thou not the bread of *him that hath* an euill eye, neither deſire thou his dainty meats.

7 For as he thinketh in his heart, ſo is he: Eate and drinke ſaith he to thee; but his heart *is* not with thee.

8 The morſell *which* thou haſt eaten, ſhalt thou vomit vp, and loſe thy ſweet words.

9 Speake not in the eares of a foole: for he will deſpiſe the wiſedome of thy words.

10 * Remoue not the old ‖ land-marke, and enter not into the fields of the fatherleſſe.

11 * For their redeemer is mighty, he ſhal pleade their cauſe with thee.

12 Apply thine heart vnto inſtruction, and thine eares vnto the words of knowledge.

13 * Withhold not correction from the child: for † thou beateſt him with the rod he ſhall not die.

14 Thou ſhalt beat him with the rod, and ſhalt deliuer his ſoule from hell.

15 My ſon, if thine heart be wiſe, my heart ſhall reioyce. ‖ euen mine.

16 Yea, my reines ſhall reioyce: when thy lips ſpeake right things.

17 * Let not thine heart enuy ſinners, but *be thou* in the feare of the LORD all the day long.

18 * For ſurely there is an ‖ end, and thine expectation ſhall not be cut off.

19 Heare thou, my ſonne, and be wiſe, and guide thine heare in the way.

20 * Be not among wine bibbers, among riotous eaters † of fleſh.

21 For the drunkard and the glutton ſhall come to pouerty, & drowſines ſhall clothe *a man* † with rags.

22 * Hearken vnto thy father that begat thee, and deſpiſe not thy mother when ſhe is old.

23 Buy the truth, and ſell it not; *alſo* wiſedome, and inſtruction, and vnderſtanding.

24 * The father of the righteous ſhall greatly reioyce, and he that begetteth a wiſe *child*, ſhall haue ioy of him.

25 Thy father and thy mother ſhall be glad, and ſhe that bare thee ſhall reioyce.

26 My ſonne giue me thine heart, and let thine eyes obſerue my wayes.

27 * For a whore *is* a deepe ditch, and a ſtrange woman *is* a narrow pit.

28 * She alſo lyeth in wait ‖ as *for* a prey, and increaſeth the tranſgreſſours among men.

29 * Who *hath* woe? who *hath* ſorrow? who *hath* contentions? who *hath* babling? who *hath* wounds without cauſe? who *hath* redneſſe of eyes?

30 They that tarry long at the wine, they that go to ſeeke mixt wine.

31 Looke not thou vpon the wine when it is red, when it giueth his colour in the cup, *when* it mooueth it ſelfe aright.

32 At the laſt it biteth like a ſerpent, and ſtingeth like ‖ an Adder.

33 Thine eyes ſhall behold ſtrange women, and thine heart ſhall vtter peruerſe things.

34 Yea, thou ſhalt be as he that lieth downe in the midſt of the ſea, or as hee that lieth vpon the top of a maſt.

35 They haue ſtricken me, *ſhalt thou ſay*, & I was not ſicke: they haue beaten me, and † I felt it not: when ſhall I awake? I will ſeeke it yet againe.

CHAP. XXIIII.

BE not * thou enuious againſt euill men, neither deſire to be with them.

2 * For their heart ſtudieth deſtruction, and their lips talke of miſchiefe.

3 Through wiſedome is an houſe builded, and by vnderſtanding it is eſtabliſhed.

4 And by knowledge ſhall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleaſant riches.

5 A wiſe man † is ſtrong, yea, a man of knowledge † increaſeth ſtrength.

6 * For by wiſe counſell thou ſhalt make thy warre: & in multitude of counſellers *there is* ſafety.

7 Wiſedome *is* too high for a foole: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.

8 He that deuiſeth to doe euill, ſhall be called a miſchieuous perſon.

9 The thought of fooliſhneſſe *is* ſinne: and the ſcorner *is* an abomination to men.

10 *If* thou faint in the day of aduerſity, thy ſtrength *is* † ſmall:

11 * If thou forbeare to deliuer them that are drawne vnto death, and thoſe that are ready to be ſlaine:

12 If thou ſaieſt, Behold, we knew it not, doth not he that pondereth the heart, conſider *it*? and he that keepeth thy ſoule, doth not he know *it*? and ſhall not he render to euery man * according to his workes?

13 My ſon eat thou honey becauſe it *is* good, and the honey combe, *which is* ſweet † to thy taſte.

14 So *ſhall* the knowledge of wiſedome *be vnto* thy ſoule: when thou haſt found *it*, * then there ſhall be a reward, & thy expectation ſhall not be cut off.

15 Lay not wait (O wicked man) againſt the dwelling of the righteous: ſpoile not his reſting place:

16 * For a iuſt man falleth ſeuen times, and riſeth vp *againe*: but the wicked ſhall fall into miſchiefe.

17 * Reioyce not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he ſtumbleth:

18 Leſt the LORD ſee *it*, and † it diſpleaſe him, and he turne away his wrath from him.

19 * ‖ Fret not thy ſelfe becauſe of euill men, neither be thou enuious at the wicked.

20 * For there ſhalbe no reward to the euill man: the ‖ candle of the wicked ſhall be put out.

21 My ſon, feare thou the LORD, and the King: and meddle not with them † *that are* giuen to change.

22 For their calamity ſhall riſe ſuddenly, & who knoweth the ruine of them both?

23 Theſe things alſo *belong* to the wiſe. † It is not good to haue reſpect of perſons in iudgement.

24 * He that ſaith vnto the wicked, Thou art righteous him ſhall the people curſe, nations ſhall abhorre him:

25 But to them that rebuke him, ſhall be delight, and † a good bleſſing ſhall come vpon them.

26 *Euery man* ſhall kiſſe *his* lips that † giueth a right anſwere.

27 Prepare thy worke without, and make it fit for thy ſelfe in the field: and afterwards build thine houſe.

28 Be not a witneſſe againſt thy neighbour without cauſe: and deceiue not with thy lips.

* 1. Tim. 6.9,10.
† *Hebr. wilt thou cauſe thine eyes to flie vpon?*
* Chap. 22.28. deut. 19. 14. and 27.17.
‖ *Or, bound.*
* Chap. 22.23. iob 31.11.
* Chap. 13.24. and 19. 18. and 22.15.
‖ *Or, euen I* will reioyce.
* Chap. 24.1. & 3.31. pſal. 37.1. & 73.3.
* Chap. 24.14.
‖ *Or, reward.*
* Rom. 13.13. ephe. 5.18
† *Hebr. of their fleſh.*
* Chap. 1.8.
* Chap. 10.1. & 25.10.
* Chap. 22.14.
* Chap. 7.12.
‖ *Or, as a robber.*
* Eſay 5.11.
‖ *Or, a cockatrice*

deu. 1.17. & 16.19. iob. 13.23. * *Chap. 17. 15. iſa. 5.23.* † *Or, a bleſſing of good.* ‖ *Heb. that anſwereth right words.*

29 *Say not, I will doe so to him, as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his worke.

30 I went by the field of the slothfull, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding,

31 And loe, it was all growen over with thornes, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken downe.

32 Then I saw, *and* †considered it well, I looked upon it, *and* received instruction.

33 * Yet a little sleepe, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleepe:

34 So shall thy poverty come, *as* one that traveleth, and thy want as † an armed man.

CHAP. XXV.

1 Observations about kings, 8 and about anoyding causes of quarrels, and sundry causes thereof.

THese *are* also Proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah King of Iudah coppied out.

2 *It is* the glory of God to conceale a thing: but the honour of Kings *is* to search out the matter.

3 The heauen *for* height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of Kings *is* vnsearchable.

4 Take away the drosse from the siluer, and there shall come forth a vessell for the finer.

5 * Take away the wicked *from* before § Kings, and his throne shall be established in righteousnesse.

6 † Put not forth thy selfe in the presence of the King, and stand not in the place of great men.

7 * For better it *is* that it bee said vnto thee, Come vp hither: then that thou shouldest bee put lower in the presence of the Prince, whom thine eies haue seene.

8 Go not forth hastily to striue, lest *thou know* not what to do in the end thereof, when thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.

9 * Debate thy cause with thy neighbour *himselfe*, and ‖ discouer not a secret to another:

10 Lest he that heareth it put thee to shame, and thine infamy turne not away. *Mat. 5. 25.*

11 A word †fitly spoken, *is* like apples of gold in pictures of siluer.

12 As an eare-ring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, *so is* a wise reprouer vpon an obedient eare.

13 * As the cold of snow in the time of haruest; so *is* a faithfull messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soule of his masters.

14 Whoso boasteth himselfe † of a false gift, is like clouds and wind without raine.

15 * By long forbearing is a Prince perswaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

16 Hast thou found hony? eat so much as is sufficient for thee: lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

17 ‖ Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbours house: lest he be weary of thee, and *so* hate thee.

18 A man that beareth false witnes against * his neighbour, *is* a maule, and a sword, and a sharpe arrow.

19 Confidence in an vnfaithfull man in time of trouble, *is like* a broken tooth, and a foot out of ioynt.

20 As hee that taketh away a garment in colde weather, *and as* vinegar vpon nitre, so *is* he that singeth songs to an heauy heart.

21 * If thine enemy be hungry, giue him bread to eat: & if he be thirsty, giue him water to drinke.

22 For thou shalt heape coales of fire vpon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

23 ‖ The North wind driueth away raine: so doth an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.

24 * It is better to dwel in a corner of the house top, then *with* a brawling woman, & in a wide house. * Chap. 21. 9. 19.

25 *As* cold waters to a thirsty soule: *so is* good newes from a farre country.

26 A righteous man falling down before § wicked, *is as* a troubled fountaine, & a corrupt spring.

27 It *is* not good to eat much hony: so *for men* to search their owne glory, *is not* glory.

28 * He that *hath* no rule ouer his owne spirit, is *like* a city that is broken downe *and* without walls. * Chap. 15. 32.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 Observations about fooles, 13 about sluggards, 17 and about contentious busi-bodies.

AS snow in summer, and as raine in harueſt: so honour is not seemly for a foole.

2 As the bird by wandring, as the swallow by flying: so the curse causeles shall not come.

3 * A whip for the horse, a bridle for the asse, and a rod for the fooles backe.

4 Answere not a foole according to his folly, leſt thou also be like him.

5 Answere a foole according to his folly, leſt he be wise in † his owne conceit.

6 Hee that sendeth a message by the hand of a foole, cutteth off the feet, & drinketh ‖ damage.

7 The legs of the lame † are not equall: so *is a* parable in the mouth of fooles.

8 ‖ As he that bindeth a stone in a sling: so *is* he that giueth honour to a foole.

9 *As* a thorne goeth vp into the hand of a drunkard, so *is a* parable in the mouth of fooles.

10 ‖ The great *God* that formed all things, both rewardeth the foole, and rewardeth transgressors.

11 * As a dog returneth to his vomit: *so* a foole † returneth to his folly.

12 Seest thou a man wise in his owne conceit? *there is* more hope of a foole then of him.

13 * The slothfull man saith, *There is* a lyon in the way: a lyon *is* in the streets.

14 *As* the doore turneth vpon his hinges: so *doth* the slothfull vpon his bed.

15 * The slothfull hideth his hand in his bosome, ‖ it grieueth him to bring it againe to his mouth.

16 The sluggard *is* wiser in his owne conceit, then seuen men that can render a reason.

17 He that passeth by, *and* ‖ meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the eares.

18 As a mad man who casteth † fire brands, arrowes and death:

19 So *is* the man *that* deceiueth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?

20 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no † talebearer, § strife † ceaseth.

21 * *As* coales *are* to burning coales, and wood to fire: *so is a* contentious man to kindle strife.

22 * The words of a tale-bearer *are* as wounds: and they goe downe into the † innermost parts of the belly.

23 Burning lips, and a wicked heart, *are like* a potsherd couered with siluer dosse.

24 He that hateth, ‖ dissembleth with his lips, and layeth vp deceit within him.

25 When he † speaketh faire, beleeue him not: for *there are* seuen abominations in his heart.

26 ‖ *Whose* hatred is couered by deceit, his wickednesse shall be shewed before § whole congregation.

27 * Whoso diggeth a pit, shall fall therein: & he that rolleth a stone, it will returne vpon him.

Leuit. 27. 26. 27.

‖ *Or, is known.* † *Heb. maketh his voyce gracious.* *Or, hatred is couered in guyle.* * Eccles. 10. 5. Psal. 17. 16. and 9. 15.

28 A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it, and a flattering mouth worketh ruine.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 Obseruations of selfe-loue: 5 of true loue: 11 of care to auoid offences: 23 and of the houshold care.

* Iam.4. 13.&c. † Heb. *to morrow day.*

BOast * not thy selfe of † to morrow: for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.

2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine owne mouth, a stranger, and not thine owne lips.

3 A stone *is* † heauy, and the sand weighty: but a fooles wrath is heauier then them both.

† Heb. *heauines.* † Heb. *wrath is cruelties, and anger an ouerflowing.* ‖ Or, *iealousie.*

4 † Wrath *is* cruell, and anger *is* outragious: but who is able to stand before ‖ enuy?

5 Open rebuke *is* better then secret loue.

* Pſal. 141.5. ‖ Or, *gamesh, or frequent.* * Iob 6.7 † Heb. *treadeth vnder foot.* † Heb. *from the counsell of the ſoule.*

6 * Faithfull *are* the wounds of a friend: but the kisses of an enemie are ‖ deceitfull.

7 * The full soule † loatheth an hony combe: but to the hungry soule euery bitter thing is sweet.

8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest: so *is* a man *that* wandereth from his place.

9 Ointment and perfume reioyce the heart: so doeth the sweetnesse of a mans friend † by hearty counsell.

* Chap. 17.17.& 18.24.

10 Thine owne friend, and thy fathers friend, forsake not; neither goe into thy brothers house, in the day of thy calamitie: for * better *is a* neighbour that is neere, then a brother farre off.

11 * My son, be wise, and make mine heart glad, that I may answere him that reproacheth me.

* Chap. 10.1.and 23.24.

12 * A prudent man foreseeth the euill, & hideth himselfe: *but* the simple passe on *and* are punished.

13 * Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, & take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

* Chap. 20.16.

14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voyce, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

* Chap. 19.13. * Eccles. 7.8. † Heb. *wet.*

15 * A continuall dropping in a very rainy day, and a contentious woman, are alike.

16 Whosoeuer hideth her, hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand *which* bewrayeth *it selfe.*

17 Iron sharpeneth iron: so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

* Chap. 22.3.

18 Whoso keepeth the figtree, shall eat the fruit thereof: so hee that waiteth on his master, shalbe honoured.

* Chap. 20.16.

19 As in water face *answereth* to face: so the heart of man to man.

* Eccles. 1.8. † Heb. *not.*

20 * Hell and destruction are † neuer full: so the eyes of man are neuer satisfied.

* Chap. 17.3.

21 * *As* the fining pot for siluer, and the furnace for gold: so *is* a man to his praise.

22 Though thou shouldest bray a foole in a morter among wheat, with a pestell: *yet* will not his foolishnesse depart from him.

† Heb. *set thy heart.*

23 Bee thou diligent to knowe the state of thy flockes, *and* † looke well to thy herds.

† Heb. *strength.*

24 For † riches *are* not for euer: and doeth the crowne *endure* † to euery generation?

† Heb. *to generation and generation.*

25 The hay appeareth, & the tender grasse sheweth it selfe, and herbs of the mountaines are gathered.

26 The lambs *are* for thy clothing, and the goats *are* the price of thy field.

† Heb. *life.*

27 And thou shalt *haue* goats milke enough for thy food, for the food of thy household, and *for* the † maintenance for thy maydens.

CHAP. XXVIII.

General obseruations of impiety and religious integrity.

* Leuit. 26.36.

THe * wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lyon.

2 For the transgression of a land many *are* the Princes thereof: ‖ but by a man of vnderstanding *and* knowledge, *the state thereof* shalbe prolonged.

3 A poore man that oppresseth the poore, is like a sweeping raine, † which leaueth no food.

4 They that forsake the law, praise the wicked: but such as keepe the law, contend with them.

5 Euill men vnderstand not iudgement: but they that seeke the LORD, vnderstand all things.

6 * Better *is* the poore that walketh in his righteousnesse, then he that is peruerse in *his* wayes, though he *be* rich.

7 * Whoso keepeth the law, is a wise sonne: but he that ‖ is a companion of riotous men, shameth his father.

8 * He that by vsury and † vniust gaine, increaseth his substance, hee shall gather it for him that will pitie the poore.

9 Hee that turneth away his eare from hearing the Law, euen his prayer *shalbe* abomination.

10 * Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an euill way, he shall fall himselfe into his owne pit: but the vpright shall haue good things in possession.

11 The rich man *is* † wise in his owne conceit: but the poore that hath vnderstanding, searcheth him out.

12 * When righteous men doe reioyce, *there is* great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is ‖ hidden.

13 * He that couereth his sinnes, shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh *them* shall haue mercy.

14 Happy *is* the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischiefe.

15 *As* a roaring lyon, and a ranging beare: *so is* a wicked ruler ouer the poore people.

16 The Prince that wanteth vnderstanding *is* also a great oppressour: *but* hee that hateth couetousnesse, shall prolong *his* dayes.

17 * A man that doeth violence to the bloode of any person, shall flie to the pit, let no man stay him.

18 * Whoso walketh vprightly, shall be saued: but he that is peruerse in *his* wayes, shall fall at once.

19 * He that tilleth his land, shall haue plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vaine persons, shall haue pouerty enough.

20 A faithfull man shall abound with blessings: * but he that maketh haste to be rich, shall not be ‖ innocent.

21 * To haue respect of persons *is* not good: for a piece of bread that man will transgresse.

22 ‖ He that hasteth to be rich, *hath* an euill eye, and considereth not that pouerty shall come vpon him.

23 * Hee that rebuketh a man, afterwards shall finde more fauour, then he that flattereth with the tongue.

24 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, It *is* no transgression, the same *is* the companion of † a destroyer.

25 * Hee that is of a proud heart, stirreth vp strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.

26 He that trusteth in his owne heart, is a foole: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be deliuered.

27 * Hee that giueth vnto the poore shall not lacke: but he that hideth his eies shall haue many a curse.

28 * When the wicked rise, men hide themselues: but when they perish, the righteous increase.

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CHAP. XXIX.

Obſervations of publike gouernment, 15 and of priuate. 22 Of euyll pride, theeuery, conſpiracie, and corruption.

1 HE that being often reproued, hardeneth his necke, ſhall ſuddenly be deſtroyed, and that without remedy.

2 When the righteous are † in authority, the people reioyce: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourne.

3 Whoſo loueth wiſedome, reioyceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots, ſpendeth *his* ſubſtance.

4 The King by iudgement eſtabliſheth the land: but he that receiueth gifts, ouerthroweth it.

5 A man that flatereth his neighbour, ſpreadeth a net for his feet.

6 In the tranſgreſſion of an euill man *there is* a ſnare: but the righteous doth ſing and reioyce.

7 The righteous conſidereth the cauſe of the poore: *but* the wicked regardeth not to know it.

8 Scornefull men † bring a city into a ſnare: but wiſe men turne away wrath.

9 If a wiſe man contendeth with a fooliſh man, whether he rage or laugh, *there is* no reſt.

10 The blood-thirſty hate the vpright: but the iuſt ſeeke his ſoule.

11 A foole vttereth all his mind: but a wiſe man keepeth it in till afterwards.

12 If a ruler hearken to lies, all his ſeruants are wicked.

13 The poore and the † deceitfull man meet together: the LORD lighteneth both their eyes.

14 The King that faithfully iudgeth the poore, his throne ſhalbe eſtabliſhed for euer.

15 The rod and reproofe giue wiſedome: but a child left to *himſelfe*, bringeth his mother to ſhame.

16 When the wicked are multiplied, tranſgreſſion increaſeth: but the righteous ſhall ſee their fall.

17 Correct thy ſon, and he ſhall giue thee reſt: yea, he ſhall giue delight vnto thy ſoule.

18 Where *there is* no viſion, the people † periſh: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

19 A ſeruant will not be corrected by words: for though he vnderſtand, he will not anſwere.

20 Seeſt thou a man that is haſty † in his words? there is more hope of a foole then of him.

21 He † delicately bringeth vp his ſeruant from a child, ſhall haue him become *his ſon* at † length.

22 An angry man ſtirreth vp ſtrife, and a furious man aboundeth in tranſgreſſion.

23 A mans pride ſhall bring him low: but honour ſhall vphold the humble in ſpirit.

24 Whoſo is partener with a theefe, hateth his owne ſoule: he heareth curſing, and bewrayeth it not.

25 The feare of man bringeth a ſnare: but whoſo putteth his truſt in the LORD, † ſhall be ſafe.

26 Many ſeeke the † rulers fauour: but euery mans iudgement *commeth* from the LORD.

27 An vniuſt man *is* an abomination to the iuſt: and he that is vpright in the way, *is* abomination to the wicked.

CHAP. XXX.

Agurs confeſſion of his faith. 7 The two points of his prayer. 10 The maneſt are not to be wronged. 11 Foure wicked generations. 15 Foure things inſatiable. 17 Parents are not to be deſpiſed. 18 Foure things hard to be knowen. 21 Foure things intolerable. 24 Foure things exceeding wiſe. 29 Foure things ſtately. 32 Wrath is to be preuented.

THe words of Agur the ſon of Iakeh, euen the prophecie: The man ſpake vnto Ithiel, euen vnto Ithiel and Ucal.

2 Surely I *am* more bruitiſh then *any* man, and *haue* not the vnderſtanding of a man.

3 I neither learned wiſedome, nor † haue the knowledge of the holy.

4 Who hath aſcended vp into heauen, or deſcended? who hath gathered the wind in his fiſts? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath eſtabliſhed all the ends of the earth? what *is* his name, and what *is* his ſons name, if thou canſt tell?

5 Euery word of God † *is* pure: he *is* a ſhield vnto them that put their truſt in him.

6 Adde thou not vnto his words, leſt he reproue thee, and thou be found a lyar.

7 Two things haue I required of thee, † denie me *them* not before I die.

8 Remoue far from me vanity and lies: giue me neither pouerty nor riches; feed me with food † conuenient for me.

9 Leſt I be full, and † deny *thee*, and ſay, Who *is* the LORD? or leſt I be poore, and ſteale, and take the Name of my God *in vaine*.

10 † Accuſe not a ſeruant vnto his maſter, leſt he curſe thee, and thou be found guilty.

11 *There is* a generation *that* curſeth their father, and doth not bleſſe their mother.

12 *There is* a generation *that* are pure in their own eyes, & yet is not waſhed from their filthines.

13 *There is* a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eye-lids are lifted vp.

14 *There is* a generation whoſe teeth *are as* ſwords, and their iaw teeth *as* knines, to deuoure the poore from off the earth, and the needy from *among* men.

15 The horſeleach *hath* two daughters, *crying*, Giue, giue. There are three things *that* are neuer ſatisfied, yea, foure things ſay not † *It is* enough.

16 The graue, and the barren wombe, the earth *that* is not filled with water, and the fire *that* ſaith not, *It is* enough.

17 The eye *that* mocketh at *his* father and deſpiſeth to obey *his* mother; the rauens of † the valley ſhall picke it out, and the yong eagles ſhall eat it.

18 There be three things *which* are too wonderfull for me, yea, foure which I know not.

19 The way of an eagle in the ayre, the way of a ſerpent vpon a rocke, the way of a ſhip in † midſt of the ſea, and the way of a man with a mayd.

20 Such *is* the way of an adulterous woman: ſhe eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and ſaith, I haue done no wickednes.

21 For three things the earth is diſquieted, and for foure *which* it cannot beare:

22 For a ſeruant when he reigneth, and a foole when he is filled with meat:

23 For an odious *woman* when ſhe is married, and an handmaid that is heire to her miſtreſſe.

24 There are foure things that are little vpon the earth, but they *are* † exceeding wiſe.

25 The Ants *are a* people not ſtrong, yet they prepare their meat in the Summer.

26 The Conies *are but* a feeble folke, yet make they their houſes in the rockes.

27 The Locuſts *haue* no king, yet goe they forth all of them † by bands.

28 The Spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in Kings palaces.

29 There

Iſa. 25. 6. 27.

Pro. 20. 11. 6.

2 Chro. 1. 11.

Exod. 31. 4. 5.

Pro. 3. 4. 13.

Eccl. 5. 4. 13.

Pro. 10. 2. 3. Iob. 34. 17.

Iob. 39. 27.

Pro. 19. 18.

Iob. 31. 1.

Pro. 29. 19.

Pro. 29. 25.

Pro. 16. 18.

Pro. 11. 15.

Pro. 28. 24.

Pro. 29. 27.

Pro. 16. 33.

Iob. 31. 5.

Pro. 22. 14.

Pro. 26. 4.

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Mat. 23. 12. Luke 14. 11.

Heb. *ſhall be ſet on* 19. 6. † Heb *the face of a ruler.*

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29 There be three things which goe well, yea foure are comely in going:

30 A Lyon *which is* strongest among beasts, and turneth not away for any:

31 ‖ A greyhound, an hee goat also, and a King, against whom there is no rising vp.

32 *If thou hast done foolishly in lifting vp thy selfe; or if thou hast thought euill, lay* thine hand vpon thy mouth.

33 Surely the churning of milke bringeth foorth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth foorth strife.

‖ *Or, horse Heb. girt in the loynes.*

* Iob 21. 5. & 39. 37. &c. & 40. 4.

CHAP. XXXI.

1 *Lemuels lesson of chastity and temperance.* 6 *The afflicted are to be comforted and refreshed,* 10 *The praise and properties of a good wife.*

THE words of King Lemuel, the prophecie that his mother taught him.

2 What, my sonne? and what the sonne of my wombe? and what the sonne of my vowes?

3 Giue not thy strength vnto women, nor thy wayes vnto that which destroyeth Kings.

4 It *is* not for Kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine, nor for princes strong drinke:

5 Lest they drink and forget the law, and † pernert the ‖ iudgment of any of the afflicted.

6 * Giue strong drinke vnto him that is ready to perish: and wine vnto those that be † of heauy hearts.

7 Let him drinke and forget his pouerty, and remember his misery no more.

8 Open thy mouth for the dumbe, in the cause of all such as are † appointed to destruction.

9 Open thy mouth, iudge righteously, * and plead the cause of the poore and needy.

10 ¶ * Who can find a vertuous woman? for her price *is* farre aboue rubies.

11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall haue no need of spoyle.

† Tim. 9.10.11. Ioa. 3.16.

† Hebr. alter. † Heb. of all the sonnes of affliction.

* Psal. 104.15.

‖ Hebr. waters of gall. † Hebr. the sonnes of destruction.

* Leuit. 19.15. deut. 1.16

* Chap. 12.4.

12 Shee will doe him good and not euill, all the dayes of her life.

13 She seeketh wooll and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

14 She is like the merchants ships, she bringeth her food from afarre.

15 She ariseth also while it is yet night, & giueth meat to her houshold, & a portion to her maidens.

16 She considereth a field, and † buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

17 She girdeth her loynes with strength, and strengthneth her armes.

18 † She perceiueth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night.

19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaffe.

20 † She stretcheth out her hand to the poore; yea she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

21 She is not afraid of the snow for her houshold: for all her household *are* clothed with skarlets.

22 She maketh her selfe couerings of tapestry: her clothing *is* silke and purple.

23 Her husband is knowne in the gates, when he sitteth among the Elders of the land.

24 She maketh fine linnen, and selleth it, and deliuereth girdles vnto the Merchant.

25 Strength and honour *are* her clothing, and she shall reioyce in time to come.

26 She openeth her mouth with wisedome, and in her tongue *is* the law of kindnesse.

27 She looketh well to the wayes of her household, and eateth not the bread of idlenesse.

28 Her children arise vp, and call her blessed: her husband *also*, and he praiseth her.

29 Many daughters † haue done vertuously, but thou excellest them all.

30 Fauour is deceitfull, & beauty is vaine: but a woman *that* feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

31 Giue her of the fruit of her hands, and let her owne workes praise her in the gates.

Hic posuit initial Song of Solomon th. 3. v. 16. 19

¶ ECCLESIASTES, OR THE PREACHER.

CHAP. I.

1 *The Preacher sheweth that all humane courses are vaine:* 4 *Because the creatures are restlesse in their courses:* 9 *They bring forth nothing new, and all old things are forgotten:* 12 *And because he hath found it so in the studies of wisedome.*

THE words of the Preacher, the sonne of Dauid, King in Ierusalem.

2 * Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities, all *is* vanity.

3 * What profit *hath* a man of all his labour, which he taketh vnder the Sunne?

4 *One* generation passeth away, & *another* generation commeth: * but the earth abideth for euer.

5 The Sun also ariseth, and the Sun goeth down, and † hasteth to the place where he arose.

6 The wind goeth toward the South, and turneth about vnto the North: it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth againe according to his circuits.

7 * All the riuers run into the sea, yet the sea *is* not full: vnto the place from whence the riuers come, thither they † returne againe.

8 All things *are* full of labour, man cannot vtter *it*: the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the eare filled with hearing.

* Chap. 12.9 psal. 144.4. psa. 36.6. & 62.9.

* Chap. 2.22. & 3.9.

* Psal. 104.5. & 119.90.

† Hebr. panteth.

* Psa. 104 9.10. Iob 38.10.

† Hebr. returne to go.

9 * The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be, and that which is done, is that which shall be done: and *there* is no new thing vnder the Sun.

10 Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? It hath been *already* of olde time, which was before vs.

11 *There is* no remembrance of former things, neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come, with those that shall come after.

12 ¶ I the Preacher was King ouer Israel in Ierusalem.

13 And I gaue my heart to seeke and search out by wisedome, concerning all things that are done vnder heauen: this sore trauell hath God giuen to the sonnes of man, to be exercised therewith.

14 I haue seene all the workes that are done vnder the Sun, and behold, all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

15 * That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and † that which is wanting, cannot be numbered.

16 I communed with mine owne heart, saying, Loe, I am come to great estate, and haue got-

more wisedome then all they that haue beene before mee in Ierusalem: yea, my heart † had great experience of wisedome and knowledge.

17 * And I gaue my heart to know wisdome, and to know madnesse and folly: I perceiued that this also is vexation of spirit.

18 For in much wisedome *is* much griefe: and he that increaseth knowledge, increaseth sorrow.

CHAP. II.

1 *The vanity of humane courses in the workes of pleasure.* 12 *Though the wise be better then the foole, yet both haue one euent.* 18 *The vanity of humane labour, in leauing it they know not to whom.* 24 *Nothing better then ioy in our labour; and that is Gods gift.*

I Said in mine heart, Goe to now, I will proue thee with mirth, therefore enioy pleasure, and behold this also *is* vanity.

2 I said of laughter, it is mad: and of mirth, What doth it?

3 * I sought in mine heart † to giue my selfe vnto wine, (yet acquainting my heart with wisdome) and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what *were* that good for the sonnes of men, which they should do vnder the heauen † all the dayes of their life.

4 I made me great workes, I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards.

5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all *kind of* fruits.

6 I made me pooles of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

7 I got me seruants and maidens, and had † seruants borne in mine house: also I had great possessions of great and small cattell, aboue all that were in Ierusalem before me.

8 I gathered mee also siluer and gold, and the peculiar treasure of Kings, and of the Prouinces: I got me men-singers, and women-singers, and the delights of the sonnes of men, † as musicall instruments, and that of all sorts.

9 So I was great, and increased more then all that were before mee in Ierusalem: also my wisedome remained with mee.

10 And whatsoeuer mine eyes desired, I kept not from them; I withheld not my heart from any ioy: for my heart reioyced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

11 Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and behold, all *was* * vanity, and vexation of spirit, and *there was* no profit vnder the Sun.

12 ¶ And I turned my selfe to behold wisedome, and madnesse, and folly: for what can the man *do* that commeth after the King? *euen* that which hath been already done.

13 Then I saw † that wisedome excelleth folly, as much as light excelleth darkenesse.

14 * The wise mans eyes *are* in his head, but the foole walketh in darkenesse: and I my selfe perceiued also that one euent happeneth to them all.

15 Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the foole, so it happeneth euen to mee, and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also *is* vanity.

16 For *there is* no remembrance of the wise more than of the foole for euer, seeing that which now is in the dayes to come shall bee forgotten: and how dieth the wise man? As the foole.

17 Therefore I hated life, because the worke that is wrought vnder the Sun *is* grieuous vnto me: for all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

18 Yea, I hated all my labour which I had † taken vnder the Sun: because I should leaue it vnto the man that shall be after me.

19 * And who knoweth whether hee shall bee a wise man or a foole? yet shall hee haue rule ouer all my labour wherein I haue laboured, and wherein I haue shewed my selfe wise vnder the Sun. This *is* also vanity. * Psal. 49. 11, &c.

20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despaire of all the labour which I took vnder the Sun.

21 For there is a man, whose labour *is* in wisedome, and in knowledge, and in equity: yet to a man that hath not laboured therein, shall hee † leaue it *for* his portion; This also *is* vanity, and a great euill. † Heb. *giue.*

22 * For what hath a man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein hee hath laboured vnder the Sun? * Chap. 1. 3. & 3. 9.

23 For all his dayes *are* * sorrowes, and his trauell griefe, yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity. * Iob 14. 1.

24 ¶ * *There is* nothing better for a man, *then* that he should eat and drinke, and that he ‖ should make his soule enioy good in his labour. This also I saw that it *was* from the hand of God. * Chap. 3. 12, 22. and 5. 18. and 8. 15. ‖ Or, *delight his soule.*

25 For who can eat? or who else can hasten *hereunto* more then I? Isa. 22. 13.

26 For *God* giueth to a man that *is* good † in his sight, wisedome, and knowledge, and ioy: but to the sinner he giueth trauell, to gather, and to heape vp, that * hee may giue to him that is good before God: This also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit. † Heb. *Before him.* * Iob. 27. 17.

CHAP. III.

1 *By the necessary change of times, vanity is added to humane trauell.* 11 *There is an excellency in Gods workes.* 16 *But as for man, God shall iudge his workes there, and here he shall be like a beast.*

TO euery thing *there is* a season, and a time to euery purpose vnder the heauen.

2 A time † to be borne, & a time to die: a time to plant, and a time to plucke vp that which is planted. † Heb. *to bear.*

3 A time to kill, and a time to heale: a time to breake downe, and a time to build vp.

4 A time to weepe, and a time to laugh: a time to mourne, and a time to dance.

5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together: a time to imbrace, and a time † to refraine from imbracing. † Heb. *to be far from.*

6 A time to ‖ get, and a time to lose: a time to keepe, and a time to cast away. ‖ Or, *seeke*

7 A time to rent, and a time to sow: a time to keepe silence, and a time to speake.

8 A time to loue, and a time to hate: a time of warre, and a time of peace.

9 * What profit hath he that worketh, in that wherein he laboureth? * Chap. 1. 3.

10 I haue seene the trauell which God hath giuen to the sonnes of men, to be exercised in it.

11 Hee hath made euery thing beautifull in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the worke that God maketh, from the beginning to the end.

12 I know that *there is* no good in them: but for a man to reioyce, and to doe good in his life.

13 And also that euery man should eate and drinke, and enioy the good of all his labour: it *is* the gift of God.

14 I know that whatsoeuer God doth, it shall bee for euer: nothing can bee put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doth it that men should feare before him. * Chap. 3. 9. † Heb. *that which is done.*

15 * That which hath beene, is now, and that which is to be, hath already beene, and God requireth † that which is past. * Or, *driueth away.*

16 ¶ And moreouer, I saw vnder the Sunne the place of iudgement, *that* wickednesse *was* there; and the place of righteousnesse, *that* iniquity *was* there.

17 I said in my heart, God shall iudge the righteous, and the wicked: for *there is* a time there, for euery purpose, and for euery worke.

18 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sonnes of men, ‖ that God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselues are beasts.

19 * For that which befalleth the sonnes of men, befalleth beasts, euen one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they haue all one breath, so that a man hath no preeminence aboue a beast: for all is vanity.

20 All goe vnto one place; all are of the dust, and all turne to dust againe.

21 Who knoweth the spirit † of man, that † goeth vpward; and the spirit of the beast, that goeth downeward to the earth?

22 * Wherefore I perceiue, that there is nothing better, then that a man should reioyce in his owne workes; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shalbe after him?

CHAP. III.

1 *Vanity is increased vnto men by oppression*, 4 *by enuy*, 5 *by idlenesse*, 7 *by conuersation*, 9 *by solitarinesse*, 13 *by wilfulnesse*.

SO * I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done vnder the Sun: and behold, the teares of such as were oppressed, and they *had* no comforter: and on the † side of their oppressors *there was* power, but they *had* no comforter.

2 * Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead, more then ¶ liuing which are yet aliue.

3 * Yea, better is he then both they, which hath not yet beene, who hath not seene the euill worke that is done vnder the Sun.

4 ¶ Againe, I considered all trauaile, and † euery right worke, that † for this a man is enuied of his neighbour: this *is* also vanity & vexation of spirit.

5 * The foole foldeth his hands together, and eateth his owne flesh.

6 *Better is an handfull *with* quietnesse, then both the hands full *with* trauell and vexation of spirit.

7 ¶ Then I returned, and I saw vanity vnder the Sunne.

8 There is one *alone*, and *there is* not a second; yea, he *hath* neither child nor brother: yet *is there* no end of all his labour, neither is his eye satisfied with riches, neither, *saith he*, For whom doe I labour, and bereaue my soule of good? this *is* also vanity, yea, it *is* a sore trauell.

9 ¶ Two *are* better then one; because they haue good reward for their labour.

10 For if they fall, the one will lift vp his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when hee falleth: for he *hath* not another to helpe him vp.

11 Againe, if two lie together, then they haue heat: but how can one be warme *alone*?

12 And if one preuaile against him, two shall withstand him: and a three-fold coard is not quickly broken.

13 ¶ Better *is* a poore and a wise child, then an old and foolish King † who will no more bee admonished.

14 For out of prison hee commeth to reigne, whereas also he that is borne in his kingdome, *becommeth* poore.

15 I considered all the liuing which walke vnder the Sun, with the second child that shall stand vp in his stead.

16 *There is* no end of all the people, euen of all that haue beene before them: they also that come after, shall not reioyce in him: surely this also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

CHAP. V.

1 *Vanities in diuine Seruice*, 8 *in murmuring against oppression*, 9 *and in riches*. 18 *Ioy in riches is the gift of God*.

KEepe thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and bee more ready to heare, *than* to giue the sacrifice of fooles: for they consider not that they doe euill.

2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to vtter any ‖ thing before God: for God *is* in heauen, and thou vpon earth: therefore let thy words *be* few.

3 For a dreame commeth through the multitude of businesse, and a fooles voyce is *known* by multitude of words.

4 * When thou vowest a vow vnto God, defer not to pay it: for hee *hath* no pleasure in fooles: * pay that which thou hast vowed.

5 Better *is it* that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.

6 Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sinne, neither say thou before the Angel, that it was an errour: wherefore should God bee angry at thy voyce, and destroy the worke of thine hands?

7 For in the multitude of dreames, and many words, *there are* also diuers vanities: but feare thou God.

8 ¶ If thou seest the oppression of the poore, and violent peruerting of iudgement and Iustice in a Prouince, marueil not at the matter: for hee that is higher then the highest, regardeth; and *there be* higher then they.

9 ¶ Moreouer, the profit of the earth is for all: the King *himselfe* is serued by the field.

10 Hee that loueth siluer, shall not be satisfied with siluer; nor he that loueth abundance, with increase: this *is* also vanity.

11 When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good *is there* to the owners thereof, saue the beholding *of them* with their eyes?

12 The sleepe of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether hee eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleepe.

13 There is a sore euill *which* I haue seene vnder the Sun, *namely*, riches kept for the owners thereof, to their hurt.

14 But those riches perish by euill trauell: and he begetteth a sonne, and there is nothing in his hand.

15 * As hee came forth of his mothers wombe naked shall he returne to goe as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which hee may carry away in his hand.

16 And this also *is a* sore euill, that in all points as he came, so shall he goe: * and what profit *is* to him that hath laboured for the wind?

17 All his dayes also he eateth in darkenesse, and he hath much sorrow and wrath with his sickenesse.

18 ¶ * Behold, that which I haue seene: it is good and comely *for* one to eat and to drinke, and to enioy the good of all his labour that he taketh vnder the Sunne, † all the dayes of his life which God giueth him: for it is his portion.

19 Euery man also to whom God hath giuen riches and wealth, and hath giuen him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to reioyce in his labour; this *is* the gift of God.

Lam. 3. 35. Gen. 19. 7. Iud. 19. 23. 2 Sam. 13. 12. Iob 34. 35.

Iohn. 24. 5. Verse 1.

For, that they might shew God and see, &c.

* Psal. 49. 21. Eccl. 3. 16.

† Heb. of the sonnes of man.

† Heb. is ascending

* Chap. 2. 24. & 5. 17.

* Chap. 5. 8. &c.

† Hebr. hand.

* Iob 3. 17, &c.

* Iob 3. 21, 16, 21.

† Hebr. all the trauailes of worke.

† Hebr. this is the enuy of a man from his neighbour

* Prou. 6. 10. & 24. 33.

* Prou. 13. 16. & 26. 18.

Eccl. 6. 12.

Eccl. 4. 8.

Eccl. 4. 9.

Eccl. 4. 10.

Eccl. 4. 11.

Eccl. 4. 12.

Eccl. 4. 13.

† Hebr. who knoweth not to be admonished.

Iob 1. 21. Psal. 49. 17. 1 Tim. 6. 7.

Eccl. 2. 24. & 3. 13. & 8. 15.

Eccl. 9. 7.

Eccl. 6. 2.

Eccl. 9. 9.

× Loquitur Rex Salomon sub persona Epicurorum. Wemyss. 235.

...to ¶ For he shall not much remember the daves of his life: because God answereth him in the ioy of his heart.

CHAP. VI.

1 *The vanity of riches without vse.* 3 *Of children, 4 and old age without riches.* 9 *The vanitie of sight, and wandring desires.* 11 *The conclusion of vanitie.*

THere is an euill which I haue seene vnder the Sunne, and it is common among men:
2 A man to whom God hath giuen riches, wealth, and honour, so that he wanteth nothing for his soule of all that he desireth; yet God giueth him not power to eate thereof, but a stranger eateth it: this is vanitie, and it is an euill disease.
3 ¶ If a man beget an hundred *children*, and liue many yeeres, so that the daves of his yeeres be many; and his soule be not filled with good, and also that he haue no buriall, I say, *that* an vntimely birth is better then he.
4 For he commeth in with vanitie, and departeth in darkenesse, and his name shall be couered with darkenesse.
5 Moreouer, he hath not seene the Sun, nor known any *thing*: this *hath* more rest then the other.
6 ¶ Yea, though he liue a thousand yeeres twice told, yet hath he seene no good: Doe not all go to one place?
7 All the labour of man is for his mouth, and yet the † appetite is not filled.
8 For what *hath* the wise more then the foole? or what *hath* the poore, *that* knoweth to walke before the liuing?
9 ¶ Better is the sight of the eyes, † then the wandring of the desire: this is also vanitie and vexation of spirit.
10 That which hath beene, is named already, and it is knowne that it is man: neither may he contend with him that is mightier then he.
11 ¶ Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what is man the better?
12 For who knoweth what *is* good for man in this life, † all the dayes of his vaine life, which he spendeth as * a shadow? for who can tell a man what shall be after him vnder the Sunne?

CHAP. VII.

Remedies against vanitie, are, a good name, 2 *reprehension,* 7 *patience,* 11 *wisedome.* 23 *The want of wisedome.*

A Good name is better then precious ointment: and the day of death then the day of ones birth.
2 It is better to goe to the house of mourning, then to goe to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men, & the liuing will lay it to his heart.
3 Sorrow is better then laughter: for by the sadnesse of the countenance, the heart is made better.
4 The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning, but the heart of fooles is in the house of mirth.
5 It is better to heare the rebuke of the wise, then a man to heare the song of fooles.
6 For as the † crackling of thornes vnder a pot, so is the laughter of the foole: this also is vanity.
7 Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad: and a gift destroyeth the heart.
8 Better is the end of a thing, then the beginning thereof: *and* the patient in spirit *is* better then the proud in spirit.
9 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosome of fooles.
10 Say not thou, What is *the cause* that the former daves were better then these? for thou doest not enquire † wisely concerning this.
11 ¶ Wisedome is good with an inheritance: and *by it* there is profit to them that see the Sunne.
12 For wisedome *is a* † defence, *and* money *is a* defence: but the excellency of knowledge *is*, that wisedome giueth life to them that haue it.
13 * Consider the worke of God: for who can make that straight, which he hath made crooked?
14 In the day of prosperitie be ioyfull, but in the day of aduersity consider: God also hath † set the one ouer against the other, to the end that man should finde nothing after him.
15 All things haue I seene in the dayes of my vanitie: there is a iust man that perisheth in his righteousnesse, and there is a wicked man that prolongeth *his life* in his wickednesse.
16 Bee not righteous ouermuch, neither make thy selfe ouer wise: why shouldest thou † destroy thy selfe?
17 Be not ouermuch wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldest thou die † before thy time?
18 It *is* good that thou shouldest take hold of this, yea also from this withdraw not thine hand: for he ‖ feareth God, shall come forth of them all.
19 * Wisedome strengtheneth the wise, more then ten mighty men which are in the citie.
20 * For *there is* not a iust man vpon earth, that doeth good and sinneth not.
21 Also † take no heed vnto all words that are spoken, least thou heare thy seruant curse thee.
22 For oftentimes also thine owne heart knoweth, that thou thy selfe likewise hast cursed others.
23 ¶ All this haue I proued by wisedome: I said, I will be wise, but it *was* farre from me.
24 That which is farre off, and exceeding deepe, who can finde it out?
25 † I applyed my heart to know, and to search, and to seeke out wisdome, and the reason *of things*, and to know the wickednesse of folly, euen of foolishnesse *and* madnesse.
26 * And I finde more bitter then death, the woman whose heart is snares and nets, *and* her hands *as* bands: † who so pleaseth God, shall escape from her, but the sinner shall be taken by her.
27 Behold, this haue I found (saith the Preacher) ‖ counting one by one to finde out the account:
28 Which yet my soule seeketh, but I finde not: one man among a thousand haue I found, but a woman among all those haue I not found.
29 Loe, this onely haue I found, * that God hath made man vpright; but they haue sought out many inuentions.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *Kings are greatly to be respected.* 6 *The diuine prouidence is to be obserued.* 12 *It is better with the godly in aduersity, then with the wicked in prosperitie.* 16 *The worke of God is vnsearchable.*

WHo *is* as the wiseman? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? * a mans wisdome maketh his face to shine, and † the boldnesse of his face shall be changed.
2 I *counsell thee* to keepe the Kings commandement, and that in regard of the oath of God.
3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an euill thing, for he doth whatsoeuer pleaseth him.
4 Where the word of a King *is*, *there is* power: and who may say vnto him, What doest thou?
5 Who so keepeth the Commandement, † shall feele no euill thing: and a wise mans heart discerneth both time and iudgement.
6 ¶ Because to euery purpose there is time and iudgement; therefore the misery of man *is* great vpon him.

7 For he knoweth not that which ſhall be: for who can tell him when it ſhall be?

‖ Or, how it ſhal be

8 *There is* no man that hath power * over the ſpirit, to retaine the ſpirit; neither *hath* he power in the day of death: and *there is* no ‖ diſcharge in that warre, neither ſhall wickedneſſe deliuer thoſe that are giuen to it.

*Iob 14.5.

‖ Or, caſting of weapons.

9 All this haue I ſeene, and applied my heart vnto euery worke that is done vnder the Sunne: *there is* a time wherein one man ruleth ouer another to his owne hurt.

10 And ſo I ſaw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy, and they were forgotten in the citie, where they had ſo done: this *is* alſo vanitie.

Marke this.

11 Becauſe ſentence *againſt* an euill worke is not executed ſpeedily, therefore the heart of the ſons of men is fully ſet in them to doe euill.

12 Though a ſinner doe euill an hundred times, and his *dayes* be prolonged, yet ſurely I know that * it ſhall be well with them that feare God, which feare before him.

*Pſal. 37.10,11, 18,19.

13 But it ſhall not be well with the wicked, neither ſhall he prolong *his* dayes, *which are* as a ſhadow, becauſe he feareth not before God.

14 There is a vanitie which is done vpon the earth, that there be iuſt men, vnto whom it * happeneth, according to the worke of the wicked: againe there be wicked men, to whom it happeneth, according to the worke of the righteous: I ſaid, that this alſo *is* vanitie.

*Pſal. 73.13.

15 * Then I commended mirth, becauſe a man hath no better thing vnder the Sunne, then to eate and to drinke, and to be merrie: for that ſhall abide with him of his labour the dayes of his life, which God giueth him vnder the Sunne.

*Chap. 3.22.

16 ¶ When I applied my heart to know wiſdome, and to ſee the buſines that is done vpon the earth (for alſo *there is that* neither day nor night ſeeth ſleepe with his eyes.)

17 Then I beheld all the worke of God, that a man cannot finde out the worke that is done vnder the Sunne: becauſe though a man labour to ſeeke it out, yea further, though a wiſe man thinke to know it, yet ſhall he not be able to finde it.

CHAP. IX.

1 *Like things happen to good and bad.* 4 *There is a neceſſitie of death vnto men* 7 *Comfort is all their portion in this life.* 11 *Gods prouidence ruleth ouer all.* 13 *Wiſdome is better then ſtrength.*

†Heb. I gaue, or ſet in my heart. *Mal.3. 14. pſal. 73.2. & 12,13.

FOr all this † I conſidered in mine heart, euen to declare all this, that the righteous, and the wiſe, and their workes, *are* in the hand of God: no man knoweth either loue or hatred, *by* all that *is* before them.

2 * All things *come* alike to all: *there is* one euent to the righteous, and to the wicked, to the good, and to the cleane, and to the vncleane; to him that ſacrificeth, and to him that ſacrificeth not: as is the good, ſo *is* the ſinner; *and* he that ſweareth, as he that feareth an oath.

3 This *is* an euill among all things that are done vnder the Sunne, that *there is* one euent vnto all: yea, alſo the heart of the ſons of men is full of euill, and madneſſe *is* in their heart while they liue, and after that *they go* to the dead.

4 ¶ For to him ‖ is ioyned to all the liuing, there is hope: for a liuing dog, is better then a dead lion.

‖ Or, is now perſiſted

5 For the liuing know that they ſhall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither *haue* they any more a reward, for ‖ the memory of them is forgotten.

‖ Or, haue they any more portion for euer in anything that is done vnder the Sun.

6 Alſo their loue & their hatred, and their enuie

7 ¶ Go thy way, eate thy bread with ioy, and drinke thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy workes.

8 Let thy garments be alwayes white; and let thy head lacke no ointment.

9 † Liue ioyfully with the wife whom thou loueſt, all the dayes of the life of thy vanitie, which he hath giuen thee vnder the Sun, all the dayes of thy vanitie: * for that *is* thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takeſt vnder the Sunne.

10 Whatſoeuer thy hand findeth to doe, doe it with thy might: for *there is* no worke, nor deuice, nor knowledge, nor wiſedome in the graue, whither thou goeſt.

11 ¶ I returned, and ſaw vnder the Sun, that the race is not to the ſwift, nor the battell to the ſtrong, neither yet bread to the wiſe, nor yet riches to men of vnderſtanding, nor yet fauour to men of ſkill: but time and chance happeneth to them all.

12 * For man alſo knoweth not his time, as the fiſhes that are taken in an euill net, and as the birds that *are* caught in the ſnare; ſo are the ſonnes of men ſnared in an euill time, when it falleth ſuddenly vpon them.

13 ¶ This wiſedome haue I ſeene alſo vnder the Sunne, and it ſeemed great vnto me:

14 *There was* a little citie, and few men within it; and there came a great King againſt it, and beſieged it, and built great bulwarkes againſt it:

15 Now there was found in it a poore wiſe man, and he by his wiſedome deliuered the citie; yet no man remembred that ſame poore man.

16 * Then ſaid I, Wiſedome *is* better then ſtrength: neuertheleſſe, the poore mans wiſedome *is* deſpiſed, and his words are not heard.

17 The words of wiſe men *are heard* in quietneſſe more then the cry of him that ruleth among fooles.

18 Wiſedome is better then weapons of warre: but one ſinner deſtroyeth much good.

CHAP. X.

1 *Obſeruations of wiſedome and folly,* 16 *of* 18 *ſlothfulneſſe,* 19 *and money.* 20 *Words againſt Kings ought to be reuerenced.*

†Dead flies cauſe the ointment of the Apothecarie to ſend foorth a ſtinking ſauour: ſo doeth a little folly him that is in reputation for wiſedome and honour.

2 A wiſe mans heart is at his right hand; but a fooles heart at his left.

3 Yea alſo, when he that is a foole walketh by the way, † his wiſedome faileth him, and he ſaith to euery one, *that* he is a foole.

4 If the ſpirit of ‖ a ruler riſe vp againſt thee, leaue not thy place; for ſoft dealing ceaſeth great offences.

5 There is an euill *which* I haue ſeene vnder the Sun, as an error *which* proceedeth from the ruler:

6 Folly is ſet † in great dignitie, and the rich ſit in low place.

7 I haue ſeene ſeruants * vpon horſes, and princes walking as ſeruants vpon the earth.

8 * He that diggeth a pit, ſhall fall into it: and who ſo breaketh an hedge, a ſerpent ſhall bite him.

9 Whoſo remooueth ſtones, ſhall be hurt therewith: *and* he that cleaueth wood, ſhall be endangered thereby.

10 If the yron be blunt, and he doe not whet the edge, then muſt he put to more ſtrength: but wiſedome *is* profitable to direct.

11 Surely the ſerpent will bite without enchantment, and † a babler is no better.

12 The words of a wise mans mouth *are* † gracious: but the lips of a foole wil swallow vp himselfe.
13 The beginning of the words of his mouth *is* foolishnesse: and the end of † his talke is mischieuous madnesse.
14 * A foole also † is full of words: a man cannot tell *what* shall be: and what shall be after him, who can tell him?
15 The labour of the foolish wearieth euery one of them: because he knoweth not how to goe to the city.
16 ¶ Woe to thee, O land, when thy King *is* a child, and thy Princes eate in the morning.
17 Blessed *art* thou, O land, when thy King *is* the son of Nobles, and thy Princes eate in due season, for strength, and not for drunkennesse.
18 ¶ By much slothfulnesse the building decayeth: and thorow idlenesse of the hands, the house droppeth thorow.
19 ¶ A feast *is* made for laughter, * and wine maketh † merry: but money answereth all things.
20 ¶ * Curse not the King, no not in thy thought: and curse not the rich in thy bed-chamber: for a bird of the ayre shall carry the voyce, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

CHAP. XI.

1 *Directions for Charity.* 7 *Death in life, and the day of iudgment in the dayes of youth are to be thought on.*

CAst thy bread † vpon the waters: for thou shalt finde it after * many dayes.
2 Giue a portion to seuen, and also to eight: for thou knowest not what euil shalbe vpon the earth.
3 If the clouds be full of raine they empty themselues vpon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the South, or toward the North, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.
4 He that obserueth the wind shall not sow: and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reape.
5 And thou knowest not what *is* the way of the wind, nor how the bones *do grow* in the wombe of her that is with child: euen so thou knowest not the workes of God, who maketh all.
6 In the morning sow thy seed, and in the euening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether † shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both *shall be* alike good.
7 ¶ Truly the light *is* sweet, and a pleasant thing it *is* for the eyes to behold the Sun.
8 But if a man liue many yeares, *and* reioyce in them all: yet let him remember the dayes of darknes, for they shall be many. All that commeth *is* vanity.
9 ¶ Reioyce, O yong man, in thy youth: and let thy heart cheare thee in the dayes of thy youth, & walke in the wayes of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into iudgement.
10 Therefore remoue † sorrow from thine heart, and put away euill from thy flesh: for childhood and youth *are* vanity.

Mal. 12.36.37

† Or, anger.

CHAP. XII.

1 *The Creator is to be remembred in the time.* 8 *The Preachers care to edifie.* 13 *The feare of God is the chiefe Anti-dote of vanity.*

REmember now thy Creator in the dayes of thy youth, while the euill dayes come not, nor the yeeres draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I *haue* no pleasure in them:

Eccles. 10.21

* Prou. 22.6. & 29. 27.8.9.17 13.14.15 17.19.20 21.23.2

2 While the Sun, or the light, or the Moone, or the Starres be not darkened, nor the clouds returne after the raine:
3 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselues, and the † grinders cease, because they are few, and those that looke out of the windowes be darkned:
4 And the doores shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise vp at the voyce of the bird, and all the daughters of musicke shall be brought low.
5 Also *when* they shall be affraid of that which is high, and feares *shalbe* in the way, and the Almond tree shall flourish, & the grashopper shalbe a burden, and desire shall faile: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners goe about the streets:
6 Or euer the siluer cord be loosed, or the golden bowle be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountaine, or the wheele broken at the cisterne.
7 * Then shall the dust returne to the earth as it was: & the spirit shall returne vnto God who gaue it.
8 ¶ * Vanity of vanities (saith the Preacher) all is vanity.
9 And moreouer, because the Preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge, yea, he gaue good heed, and sought out, *and* * set in order many Prouerbs.
10 The Preacher sought to find out † acceptable words, and that which was written, *was* vpright, *euen* words of truth.
11 The words of the wise *are* as goades, and as nailes fastened by ‖ masters of assemblies, *which* are giuen from one shepherd.
12 And further by these, my son, be admonished: of making many bookes *there is* no end, and much ‖ study is a wearinesse of the flesh.
13 ¶ ‖ Let vs heare the conclusion of the whole matter: Feare God, & keepe his Commandements, for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.
14 For God shall bring euery worke into iudgement with euery secret thing, whether *it be* good or whether *it be* euill.

† Or, the grinders faile because they grinde little.

* Gen. 3.19.
* Chap. 1.2
† Or, the more wise the Preacher was &c.
* 1 Kings 4.32.
† Hebr. words of delights.
‖ Or, reading.
‖ Or, the end of the matter. euen all that hath beene heard, is.
* Rom. 3. 16. & 14. 10. 1 cor. 5 10.

¶ THE SONG OF SOLOMON

CHAP. I.

The Church's loue vnto Christ. 5 *She confesseth her infirmity.* 7 *and prayeth to bee directed to his flocke.* 8 *Christ directeth her to the Shepherds tents* 9 *and shewing his loue to her,* 11 *giueth her great promises.* 12 *The Church and Christ congratulate one another.*

THe Song of Songs, which *is* Solomons.
2 Let him kisse me † with the kisses of his mouth: * for ‖ thy loue *is* better then wine.
3 Because of the fauour of thy good ointments, thy name *is as* ointment powred forth, therefore do the virgins loue thee.
4 * Draw me, we will run after thee: the King hath brought me into his chambers: wee will be glad, and reioyce in thee, we will remember thy loue more then wine: ‖ the vpright loue thee.
5 I *am* blacke, but comely, (O yee daughters of Ierusalem) as the tents of Kedar, as the curtaines of Solomon.
6 Looke not vpon me because I *am* blacke, because the Sun hath looked vpon me: my mothers children were angry with me, they made me the

† Or, the grinders faile because they grinde little.
* John 6.44.
† Or, they loue thee vprightly

keepers of the vineyards, *but* mine owne vineyard haue I not kept.

7 Tell me (O thou whom my ſoule loueth) where thou feedeſt, where thou makeſt *thy flocke* to reſt at noone: for why ſhould I be ‖ as one that turneth aſide by the flockes of thy companions?

‖ Or, as one that is vailed.

8 ¶ If thou know not (O thou faireſt among women) go thy way forth by ſ footſteps of the flocke, and feede thy kids beſides the ſhepherds tents.

9 I haue compared thee, O my loue, to a company of horſes in Pharaohs charets.

10 Thy cheekes are comely with rowes *of iewels*, thy necke with chaines *of gold*.

11 Wee will make thee borders of gold, with ſtuddes of ſiluer.

12 ¶ While the king ſitteth at his Table, my Spikenard ſendeth forth the ſmell thereof.

13 A bundle of myrrhe *is* my welbeloued vnto me; he ſhall lie all night betwixt my breaſts.

14 My beloued *is* vnto me *as* a cluſter of ‖ Camphire in the vineyaards of Engedi.

‖ Or, Cypres.

15 Behold, thou *art* faire, ‖ my loue; behold, thou *art* faire, thou *haſt* doues eyes.

‖ Or, my compaſſion.

16 *Behold, thou *art* faire, my beloued, yea, pleaſant: alſo our bed *is* greene.

*Chap. 4. 1. & 5. 12.

17 The beames of our houſe are Cedar, *and* our ‖ raſters of Firre.

‖ Or, galleries.

CHAP. II.

1 The mutuall loue of Chriſt and his Church. 8 The hope, 10 and calling of the Church. 14 Chriſts care of the Church. 16 The profeſſion of the Church, her faith and hope.

I *Am* the roſe of Sharon, *and* the lilly of the valleys.

2 As the lillie among thornes, ſo *is* my loue among the daughters.

3 As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, ſo *is* my beloued among the ſonnes. † I ſate downe vnder his ſhadow with great delight, and his fruit *was* ſweet to my † taſt.

† Hebr. I delighted and ſate downe, &c.

4 He brought me to the †banqueting houſe, and his banner ouer me *was* loue.

† Hebr. yaiain.

5 Stay me with flaggons; †comfort me with apples, for I *am* ſicke of loue.

† Hebr. houſe of wine.

6 *His left hand *is* vnder my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.

† Hebr. ſhaw me with appl s.

*Cha. 8. 3

7 † *I charge you, O ye daughters of Ieruſalem, by the Roes, and by the Hindes of the field, that ye ſtirre not vp, nor awake *my* loue till he pleaſe.

† Hebr. I adiure you

*Chap. 3. 5. & 8. 4.

8 ¶ The voyce of my beloued! behold! hee commeth leaping vpon the mountaines skipping vpon the hils.

9 * My beloued is like a Roe, or a young Heart: behold, he ſtandeth behind our wall, hee looketh forth at the window, † ſhewing himſelfe thorow the latteſſe.

*veſſ. 17.

† Hebr. flouriſhing.

10 My beloued ſpake, and ſaid vnto me, Riſe vp, my loue, my faire one, and come away.

11 For lo, the winter is paſt, the raine is ouer, *and* gone.

12 The flowers appeare on the earth, the time of the ſinging *of birds* is come, and the voyce of the turtle is heard in our land.

13 The fig tree putteth forth her greene figs, and the vines *with* the tender grape giue a *good* ſmell. Ariſe my loue, my faire one, and come away.

14 ¶ O my doue! *that art* in the clefts of the rocke, in the ſecret *places* of the ſtaires: let me ſee thy countenance, let mee heare thy voyce, for ſweet *is* thy voyce, and thy countenance is comely.

15 Take vs the foxes, the little foxes that ſpoyle the vines: for our vines *haue* tender grapes.

16 ¶ * My beloued *is* mine, and I *am* his: he feedeth among the Lillies.

17 * Vntill the day breake, and the ſhadowes flee away: turne my beloued, and be thou like a Roe, or a young Hart, vpon the mountaines of Bether.

CHAP. III.

1 The Church her ſight and viſitory is temptation. 6 The Church glorieth in Chriſt.

BY night on my bed I ſought *him* whom my ſoule loueth: I ſought him, but I found him not.

2 I will riſe now and goe about the citty in the ſtreets, and in the broad waies I will ſeeke him whom my ſoule loueth: I ſought him, but I found him not.

3 The watchmen that goe about the citty found me: *to whom I ſaid*, Saw ye him whom my ſoule loueth?

4 It was but a little that I paſſed from them, but I found him whom my ſoule loueth: I held him, and would not let him goe, vntill I had brought him into my mothers houſe, and into the chamber of her that conceiued me.

5 * I charge you, O ye daughters of Ieruſalem, by the Roes and by the Hindes of the field, that ye ſtirre not vp, nor awake my loue, till he pleaſe.

6 ¶ * Who *is* this that commeth out of the wildernes like pillars of ſmoake, perfumed with myrrhe & frankincenſe, with all powders of the merchant?

7 Behold his bed, which *is* Solomons: threeſcore valient men *are* about it, of the valient of Iſrael.

8 They all hold ſwords, being expert in warre: euery man *hath* his ſword vpon his thigh, becauſe of feare in the night.

9 King Solomon made himſelfe ‖ a chaire of the wood of Lebanon.

‖ Or, a chariot.

10 He made the pillars thereof of ſiluer, the bottome thereof of gold, the couering of it of purple, the midſt thereof being paued *with* loue, for the daughters of Ieruſalem.

11 Goe forth, O ye daughters of Zion, & behold King Solomon, with the crowne wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his eſpouſals, & in the day of the gladneſſe of his heart.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Chriſt ſetteth forth the graces of the Church. 8 He ſheweth his loue to her. 16 The Church prayeth to be made fit for his preſence.

B*Ehold, thou *art* faire my loue, behold, thou *art* faire, thou *haſt* doues eyes in thy locks: thy haire *is* as a *flocke of Goats, † that appeare from mount Gilead.

† Hebr. that reſt.

2 Thy teeth are like a flocke *of ſheepe* that are euen ſhorne, which came vp from the waſhing: whereof euery one beare twins, and none is barren among them.

3 Thy lips *are* like a thread of skarlet, and thy ſpeech is comely: thy temples *are* like a peece of a pomegranate within thy locks.

4 Thy necke *is* like the tower of Dauid, builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thouſand bucklers, all ſhields of mighty men.

5 * Thy two breaſts *are* like two young Roes, that are twins, which feede vpon the Lillies.

6 * Vntill the day † breake, and the ſhadowes flee away, I will get me to the mountaines of myrrhe, and to the hill of frankincenſe.

† Hebr. ſpire.

7 * Thou *art* all faire my loue, *there* is no ſpot in thee.

8 ¶ Come with mee from Lebanon (my ſpouſe) with mee from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir, & Hermon, from the lyons dens, from the mountaines of the Leopards.

9 Thou

9 Thou haſt ‖ rauiſhed my heart, my ſiſter, my ſpouſe: thou haſt rauiſhed my heart, with one of thine eyes, with one chaine of thy necke.

10 How faire is thy loue, my ſiſter, * my ſpouſe! how much better is thy loue then wine? and the ſmell of thine ointments then all ſpices?

11 Thy lips, O my ſpouſe, drop as the hony combe: hony and milke are vnder thy tongue, and the ſmell of thy garments is like the ſmell of Lebanon.

12 A garden † incloſed is my ſiſter, my ſpouſe: a ſpring ſhut vp, a fountaine ſealed.

13 Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleaſant fruits, ‖ Camphire with Spikenard,

14 Spikenard, and Saffron, Calamus, and Cynamon, with all trees of Frankincenſe, Myrrhe, and Aloes, with all the chiefeſt ſpices.

15 A fountaine of gardens, a well of liuing waters, and ſtreames from Lebanon.

16 ‖ Awake, O North wind, and come thou South, blow vpon my garden, that the ſpices thereof may flow out: let my beloued come into his garden, and eat his pleaſant fruits.

CHAP. V.

1 Chriſt awaketh the Church with his calling. 2 The Church hauing a taſte of Chriſts loue, is ſicke of loue. 9 A deſcription of Chriſt by his graces.

I Am come into my garden, my ſiſter, my ſpouſe, I haue gathered my myrrhe with my ſpice, I haue eaten my honey combe with my hony, I haue drunke my wine with my milke: eate, O friends, drinke, yea, drinke abundantly, O beloued.

2 ¶ I ſleepe, but my heart waketh, it is the voice of my beloued that knocketh, ſaying, Open to me, my ſiſter, my loue, my doue, my vndefiled for my head is filled with dew, and my lockes with the drops of the night.

3 I haue put off my coat, how ſhall I put it on? I haue waſhed my feet, how ſhall I defile them?

4 My beloued put in his hand by the hole of the dore, and my bowels were moued ‖ for him.

5 I roſe vp to open to my beloued, and my hands dropped with myrrhe, and my fingers with † ſweet ſmelling myrrhe, vpon the handles of the locke.

6 I opened to my beloued, but my beloued had withdrawne himſelfe, & was gone: my ſoule failed when he ſpake: I ſought him, but I could not finde him: I called him, but he gaue me no anſwere.

7 The watchmen that went about the city, found me, they ſmote me, they wounded me, the keepers of the walls tooke away my vaile from me.

8 I charge you, O daughters of Ieruſalem, If yee finde my beloued † that ye tell him that I am ſicke of loue.

9 ¶ What is thy beloued more then another beloued, O thou faireſt among women? what is thy beloued more then another beloued, that thou doeſt ſo charge vs?

10 My beloued is white and ruddy, † the chiefeſt among ten thouſand.

11 His head is as the moſt fine gold, his lockes are bunches, and blacke as a Rauen.

12 His eyes are as the eyes of doues, by the riuers of waters, waſhen with milke, and † fitly ſet.

13 His cheekes are as a bed of ſpices, as ſweet flowers: his lips like lillies, dropping ſweet ſmelling myrrhe.

14 His hands are as gold rings ſet with the Beryll: His belly is as bright yuory, ouerlaid with Saphires.

15 His legs are as pillers of marble, ſet vpon ſockets of fine gold, his countenance is as Lebanon excellent as the Cedars.

16 † His mouth is moſt ſweet, yea, he is altogether louely. This is my beloued, and this is my friend, O daughters of Ieruſalem. † Hebr. his palate.

CHAP. VI.

1 The Church profeſſeth her faith in Chriſt. 4 Chriſt ſheweth the graces of the Church, 10 and his loue towards her.

WHither is thy beloued gone? O thou faireſt among women, whither is thy beloued turned aſide? that we may ſeeke him with thee.

2 My beloued is gone downe into his garden, to the beds of ſpices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lillies.

3 * I am my beloueds, and my beloued is mine: he feedeth among the lillies. * Chap. 2.16.

4 ¶ Thou art beautifull, O my loue, as Tirzah, comely as Ieruſalem, terrible as an army with banners. & 7.10.

5 Turne away thine eyes from me, for they haue ‖ ouercome me: thy haire is * as a flocke of goats that appeare from Gilead. ‖ Or, they haue put me to flight. * Chap. 4.1.

6 Thy teeth are as a flocke of theepe which goe vp from the waſhing, whereof euery one beareth twins, and there is not one barren among them.

7 As a piece of a Pomegranate are thy Temples within thy locks. 4.3. & 7.

8 There are threeſcore Queenes, and fourſcore concubines, and virgins without number.

9 My doue, my vndefiled is but one: ſhee is the only one of her mother, ſhe is the choice one of her that bare her: The daughters ſaw her and bleſſed her, yea, the Queenes and the concubines, and they praiſed her.

10 ¶ Who is ſhe that looketh forth as the morning, faire as the Moone, cleare as the Sun, and terrible as an army with banners? † Hebr. I knew not. ‖ Or, ſet me on the chariots of my willing people.

11 I went downe into the garden of nuts, to ſee the fruits of the valley, and to ſee whither the vine flouriſhed, and the pomegranates budded.

12 † Or ere I was aware, my ſoule ‖ made me like the chariots of Amminadib. ‖ Or, of Mahanaim.

13 Returne, returne, O Shulamite: returne, returne, that we may looke vpon thee: what will ye ſee in the Shulamite? as it were the company ‖ of two armies.

CHAP. VII.

1 A further deſcription of the Church her graces, 10 The Church profeſſeth her faith and deſire.

HOw beautifull are thy feet with ſhooes, O Princes daughter? the ioynts of thy thighes are like Iewels, the worke of the hands of a cunning workeman.

2 Thy nauell is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor: thy belly is like an heap of wheat, ſet about with lillies. † Hebr. mixture. * Chap. 4.5.

3 * Thy two breſts are like two young Roes that are twins.

4 Thy neck is as a towre of Iuory: thine eyes like the fiſh pooles in Heſhbon, by the gate of Bathrabbim: thy noſe is as the tower of Lebanon, which looketh toward Damaſcus.

5 Thine head vpon thee is like ‖ Carmel, and the haire of thine head like purple, the King is † held in the galleries. ‖ Or, crimſon. † Hebr. bound.

6 How faire, and how pleaſant art thou, O loue, for delights!

7 This thy ſtature is like to a palme tree, and thy breſts to cluſters of grapes.

8 I ſaid, I will goe vp to the palme tree, I will take hold of the boughes thereof: now alſo thy breſts ſhall be as cluſters of the vine, and the ſmell of thy noſe like apples.

9 And the roofe of thy mouth like the best wine, for my beloued, that goeth *downe* † sweetly, causing the lips ‖ of those that are asleepe, to speake.

10 ¶ * I *am* my beloueds, and his desire *is* towards me.

11 Come my beloued, let vs goe foorth into the field; let vs lodge in the villages.

12 Let vs get vp early to the vineyards, let vs see if the vine flourish, *whether* the tender grape † appeare, *and* the pomegranats bud forth, there will I giue thee my loues.

13 The * mandrakes giue a smell, and at our gates *are* all manner of pleasant *fruits*, new and old, *which* I haue laid vp for thee, O my beloued.

† Hebr. straightly
‖ Or, of the ancient,
* Ch. p. 2. 16. and 6. 3.
† Hebr. open.
* Gen. 30. 14.

CHAP. VIII.

1 The loue of the Church to Christ. 6 The vehemency of loue. 8 The calling of the Gentiles, 14 The Church prayeth for Christs comming.

O That thou *were* as my brother that sucked the breasts of my mother? *when* I should find thee without, I would kisse thee, yet † I should not be despised.

2 I would lead thee, *and* bring thee into my mothers house, *who* would instruct mee: I would cause thee to drinke of * spiced wine of the iuice of my pomegranate.

3 * His left hand *should be* vnder my head, and his right hand should embrace me.

4 ¶ I charge you, O daughters of Ierusalem, † that ye stir not vp, nor awake my loue vntill he please.

† Hebr. they should not despise me.
* Pro. 9. 2.
* Ch. 2. 6.
* Chap. 3. 5. & 2. 7.
† He. why should ye stir vp, or why, &c.

5 (* Who is this that commeth vp from the wildernes, leaning vpon her beloued?) I raised thee vp vnder ‖ apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth, there she brought thee forth *that* bare thee.

6 ¶ Set me as a seale vpon thy heart, as a seale vpon thine arme: for loue *is* strong as death, iealousie † cruell as the graue: the coales thereof are coales of fire *which hath a* most vehement flame.

7 Many waters cannot quench loue, neither can the floods drowne it: if a man would giue all the substance of his house for loue, it would vtterly be contemned.

8 ¶ Wee *haue* a little sister, and shee hath no breasts: what shall we doe for our sister, in the day when she shall be spoken for?

9 If she *be* a wall, we will build vpon her a palace of siluer: and if she *be* a doore, we will enclose her with boards of Cedar.

10 I *am* a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found ‖ fauour.

11 Solomon had a vineyard at Baal-hamon, he let out the vineyard vnto Keepers: euery one for the fruit therof, was to bring a thousand pieces of siluer.

12 My vineyard which *is* mine, *is* before mine *face*. (O Solomon) *must haue* a thousand, and those that keepe the fruit thereof two hundred.

13 Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to heare it.

14 ¶ ‖ Make haste my beloued, & be thou like to a Roe, or to a young Hart vpon ‖ mountaines of spices.

‖ Or, flie.
* Chap. 3. 5. deut. 28. 55. 52.
† Heb. as the ouerthrow of strangers

¶ THE BOOKE OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH.

CHAP. I.

1 Isaiah complaineth of Iudah for her rebellion. 5 He lamenteth her iudgments. 10 He vpbraideth their whole seruice. 16 He exhorteth to repentance, with promises and threatnings. 21 Bewailing their wickednesse, he denounceth Gods iudgments. 25 He promiseth grace, 28 and threatneth destructions to the wicked.

THE vision of Isaiah the sonne of Amoz, which he saw concerning Iudah, and Ierusalem, in the daies of Vzziah, Iotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, Kings of Iudah.

2 Heare, O * heauens, and giue eare, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken: I haue nourished & brought vp children, and they haue rebelled against me.

3 The * oxe knoweth his owner, and the asse his masters crib: *but* Israel doth not know; my people doeth not consider.

4 Ah sinfull nation, a people † laden with iniquity, a seed of euill doers, children that are corrupters: they haue forsaken the LORD, they haue prouoked the holy One of Israel vnto anger, they are † gone away backward.

5 ¶ Why should ye bee stricken any more? ye will † reuolt more and more: the whole head is sicke, and the whole heart faint.

6 From the sole of the foot, euen vnto the head, *there is* no soundnesse in it, but wounds and bruises, and putrifying sores, they haue not been closed, neither bound vp, neither mollified with Iointment.

7 Your country *is* * desolate, your cities are burnt with fire: your land, strangers deuoure it in your presence, and *it is* desolate, † as ouerthrowne by strangers.

8 And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged citty.

9 Except the LORD of hosts had * left vnto vs a very small remnant, we should haue been as Sodom, and we should haue beene like vnto Gomorrah.

10 ¶ Heare the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodome, Giue eare vnto the Law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.

11 To what purpose *is* the multitude of your * sacrifices vnto me, saith the LORD? I am full of the burnt offerings of rammes, and the fat of fed beasts, and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambes, or of † hee goates.

12 When ye come to ‖ appeare before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts?

13 Bring no more vaine oblations, incense is an abomination vnto me: the new Moones, and Sabbaths, the calling of assemblies I cannot away with: *it is* ‖ iniquity, euen the solemne meeting.

14 Your new Moones, and your appointed feasts my soule hateth: they are a trouble vnto me, I am weary to beare *them*.

15 And when ye spread forth your * hands, I will hide mine eyes from you, yea, when ye † make many prayers I will not heare: your hands are full of * † blood.

16 ¶ Wash ye, make you cleane, put away the euill of your doings from before mine eyes, * ‖ cease to doe euill,

17 Learne to doe well, seek iudgment, relieue the oppressed, iudge the fatherlesse, plead for the widow.

18 Come now and let vs reason together, saith the LORD: though your sinnes be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wooll.

19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eate the good of the land.

* Deut. 32. 1.
* Iere. 8. 7.
† Hebr. of heauie sort.
† Heb. alienated or separated
† Hebr. Increase reuolt.
‖ Or, rebellion.
* Chap. 3. 5. deut. 28. 51 52.
† Heb. as the ouerthrow of strangers
* Rom. 9. 29.
* Amos 5. 21.
† Hebr. male.
* Esay 59. 3.
† Hebr. full of blood.
* † Heb. rest.
‖ Or, appeare to be seene of me.
‖ Or, wickednesse.
‖ Or, leaue off.

20 But if ye refuse and rebell, ye shall be deuou-
ed with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD
ath spoken it.

21 ¶ How is the faithfull city become an harlot?
t was full of iudgement, righteousnesse lodged in
, but now murderers.

22 Thy siluer is become drosse, thy wine mixt
ith water.

23 Thy Princes *are* rebellious, and companions of
eues: euery one loueth gifts, and followeth after
wards: they * iudge not the fatherlesse, neither
th the cause of the widow come vnto them.

24 Therefore saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts,
e mighty one of Israel; Ah, I will ease me of mine
versaries, and auenge me of mine enemies.

25 ¶ And I will turne my hand vpon thee, and
rely purge away thy drosse, and take away all
y tinne.

26 And I will restore thy Iudges as at the first,
d thy Counsellers as at the beginning: after-
rd thou shalt be called the City of righteous-
sse, the faithfull City.

27 Zion shall be redeemed with iudgement, and
r conuerts with righteousnesse.

28 ¶ And the * † destruction of the transgressors
d of the sinners *shall be* together: and they that
ake the LORD shall be consumed.

29 For they shall be ashamed of the oakes which
ue desired, and ye shall be confounded for the
rdens, that ye haue chosen.

30 For ye shall be as an oake whose leafe fadeth,
d as a garden that *hath* no water.

31 And the strong shall be as tow, ‖ and the ma-
r of it as a sparke, and they shall both burne to-
ether, and none shall quench *them*.

CHAP. II.

Iudah prophesieth the comming of Christs kingdome. 6 Wickednes' is the cause of Gods forsaking. 10 It exhorteth to feare, because of the power full fits of Gods Maiestie.

THe word that Isaiah the sonne of Amoz saw, concerning Iudah and Ierusalem.

2 And it shall come to passe in the * last dayes, at the mountaine of the LORDS house shall bee stablished in the top of the mountaines, and shall be exalted aboue the hilles; and all nations shall flow vnto it.

3 And many people shall goe and say; Come ye and let vs goe vp to the mountaine of the LORD, to the house of the God of Iacob. and he will teach vs of his wayes, and we will walke in his paths: for out of Zion shall goe forth the Law, and the word of the LORD from Ierusalem.

4 And he shal iudge among the nations, & shal rebuke many people; & they shall beat their swords into plow-shares, and their speares into ‖ pruning hookes: nation shall not lift vp sword against nation, neither shall they learne warre any more.

5 O house of Iacob, come ye, and let vs walke in the light of the LORD.

6 ¶ Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people, the house of Iacob: because they be replenished ‖ from the East, and *are* Soothsayers like the Philistines, and they ‖ please themselues in the children of strangers.

7 Their land also is full of siluer and gold, neither *is there* any end of their treasures: their land is also full of horses, neither *is there* any end of their chariots.

8 Their land also is full of idoles: they worship the worke of their owne hands, that which their owne fingers haue made.

9 And the meane man boweth downe, and the great man humbleth himselfe; therefore forgiue them not.

10 ¶ Enter into the rocke, and hide thee in the dust, for feare of the LORD, and for the glory of his maiestie.

11 The * lofty lookes of man shalbe humbled, and the haughtinesse of men shal be bowed downe: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. * Chap. 5.15.

12 For the day of the LORD of hosts *shall be* vpon euery one that is proud and lofty, and vpon euery one that is lifted vp, and he shall be brought low.

13 And vpon all the Cedars of Lebanon, that are high and lifted vp, and vpon all the oakes of Bathan,

14 And vpon all the high mountaines, and vpon all the hils that are lifted vp, † *Heb.* pictures of desire.

15 And vpon euery high towre, and vpon euery fenced wall, ‖ *Or*, the idols shall passe away.

16 And vpon all the ships of Tarshish, and vpon all † pleasant pictures. * Hos. 10. 8. Luk. 23. 30. rev. 6. 16. and 9.6.

17 And the loftines of man shalbe bowed downe, and the haughtines of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shalbe exalted in that day.

18 And ‖ the Idols he shall vtterly abolish. † *Heb.* the dust.

19 And they shall goe into the * holes of the rocks, and into the caues of the † earth, for feare of the LORD, and for the glory of his Maiestie: when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth. * *Heb.* the idoles of his siluer, *&c.*

20 In that day a man shall cast his idols of siluer & his idols of gold, ‖ which they made *each one* for himselfe to worship, to the Moules, & to the Bats: ‖ *Or*, which they made for him.

21 To goe into the clefts of the rockes, and into the tops of the ragged rockes, for feare of the LORD, and for the glory of his Maiesty: when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

22 Cease ye from man, whose breath *is* in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?

CHAP. III.

1 The great confusion which commeth by sin. 9 The impudency of the people. 12 The oppression and contemnings of the rulers. 16 The iudgements which shall be for the pride of the women.

FOr behold, the Lord, the LORD of hostes doth take away from Ierusalem, and from Iudah, the stay and the staffe, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water,

2 The mighty man, & the man of warre, the Iudge, and the Prophet, and the prudent, and the ancient.

3 The captaine of fifty, and the † honourable man and the Counseller, and the cunning Artificer, and the ‖ eloquent Orator. † *Heb.* a man eminent in countenance.

4 And I will giue * children to *be* their Princes, and babes shall rule ouer them. ‖ *Or*, skilfull of speech. * Eccles. 10.16.

5 And the people shalbe oppressed, euery one by another, and euery one by his neighbour: the childe shall behaue himselfe proudly against the ancient, and the base against the honourable.

6 When a man shall take hold of his brother, of the house of his father, *saying*, Thou hast clothing, be thou our Ruler, and *let* this ruine *be* vnder thy hand: † *Heb.* lift vp the hand.

7 In that day † shall he sweare, saying, I will not be an † healer: for in my house is neither bread nor clothing: make me not Ruler of the people. † *Heb.* binder vp.

8 For Ierusalem is ruined, and Iudah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings *are* against the LORD, to prouoke the eyes of his glory.

9 ¶ The shew of their countenance doth witnes against them, and they declare their sinne as * Sodome, they hide *it* not: woe vnto their soule, for they haue rewarded euill vnto themselues. * Gen. 13. & 18. 21. & 19. 5.

10 Say

10 Say to the righteous, that *it shalbe* well *with him*: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.

11 Woe vnto the wicked, *it shalbe* ill *with him*, for the reward of his hands shall be † giuen him.

12 ¶ As for my people, children *are* their oppressors, and women rule ouer them. O my people, they which lead thee, cause *thee* to erre, and † destroy the way of thy paths.

13 The LORD standeth vp to plead, and standeth to iudge the people.

14 The LORD will enter into iudgment with the ancients of his people, and the Princes thereof: for ye haue ‖ eaten vp the vineyard; the spoile of the poore *is* in your houses.

15 What meane yee *that* yee beat my people to pieces, and grind the faces of the poore, saith the Lord GOD of hosts?

16 ¶ Moreouer, the LORD saith: Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walke with stretched forth necks and † wanton eyes, walking and ‖ mincing as they goe, and making a tinckling with their feet:

17 Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will † discouer their secret parts.

18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinckling ornaments *about their feet*, and their ‖caules, and their round tyres like the Moone;

19 The ‖chaines, and the bracelets, and the ‖ mufflers.

20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the leggers, and the headbands, & the † tablets, & the earerings,

21 The rings, and nose iewels,

22 The changeable suits of apparell, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins,

23 The glasses, and the fine linnen, and the hoods, and the vailes.

24 And it shall come to passe, *that* in stead of sweet smell, there shall be stinke, and in stead of a girdle, a rent: and in stead of well-set haire, baldnesse: and in stead of a stomacher, a girding of sackecloth, *and* burning, in stead of beauty.

25 Thy men shall fall by the sword, and thy † mighty in the warre.

26 And her gates shall lament and mourne, and she being ‖ desolate, shall sit vpon the ground.

CHAP. IIII.

In the extremity of exils, Christs kingdome shall be a Sanctuary.

AND in that day seuen women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our owne bread, and weare our owne apparell: only † let vs be called by thy name, ‖ to take away our reproach.

2 In that day shall the Branch of the LORD bee † beautifull and glorious, and the fruit of the earth *shalbe* excellent, and comely † for them that are escaped of Israel.

3 And it shall come to passe, *that* he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Ierusalem, shall be called holy, *euen* euery one that *is* written ‖ among the liuing in Ierusalem,

4 When the Lord shall haue washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, & shall haue purged the blood of Ierusalem from the midst thereof, by the spirit of iudgement, & by the spirit of burning.

5 And the LORD will create vpon euery dwelling place of mount Zion, and vpon her assemblies, a * cloud, and smoake by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for ‖ vpon all the glory *shall be* † a defence.

6 And there shall be a Tabernacle for a shadow in the day time from the heat, & for a place of refuge, and for a couert from storme, and from raine.

CHAP. V.

1 Vnder the parable of a vineyard God extolleth his sinceare iudgement. 8 His iudgements vpon couetousnesse: 11 vpon lasciuiousnesse: 13 vpon impiety, 20 and vpon iniustice: 26 The executioners of Gods iudgements.

NOw will I sing to my welbeloued a song of my beloued, touching his vineyard: my welbeloued hath a * vineyard in a † very fruitfull hill.

2 And he ‖ fenced it, and gathered out the stones therof, & planted it with the choisest vine, & built a tower in the midst of it, and also † made a wine presse therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.

3 And now, O inhabitants of Ierusalem, and men of Iudah, Iudge I pray you betwixt me and my vineyard.

4 What could haue bin done more to my vineyard, that I haue not done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wilde grapes?

5 And now goe to, I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard, I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten vp, *and* breake down the wall thereof, and it shall be † trode vp.

6 And I will lay it waste; it shall not be pruned nor digged, but there shall come vp briars and thornes: I will also command the clouds, that they raine no raine vpon it.

7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts *is* the house of Israel, and the men of Iudah † his pleasant plant: and hee looked for iudgement, but behold † oppression; for righteousnesse, but behold a cry.

8 ¶ Woe vnto them that ioyne * house to house, that lay field to field, till *there be* no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth.

9 ‖ In mine eares, *said* the LORD of hosts, Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, *euen* great and faire, without inhabitant.

10 Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yeeld one bath, and the seed of an Homer shall yeeld an Ephah.

11 ¶ Woe vnto them that rise vp early in the morning, *that* they may follow strong † drink, that continue vntill night, *till* wine inflame them.

12 And the harpe and the viole, the tabret and pipe, and wine are in their feasts: but they regard not the worke of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.

13 ¶ Therefore my people are gone into captiuity, because *they haue* no knowledge: and † their honourable men *are* famished, and their multitude dried vp with thirst.

14 Therefore hell hath enlarged her selfe, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pompe, and he that reioyceth shall descend into it.

15 And * the meane man shall be brought downe, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eies of the lofty shall be humbled.

16 But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in iudgement, and ‖ God that is holy, shalbe sanctified in righteousnesse.

17 Then shall the lambes feed after their manner, and the waste places of the fat ones shall strangers eate.

18 Woe vnto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sinne as it were with a cart-rope.

19 That say, Let him make speed, *and* hasten his worke, that we may see *it*: and let the counsell of the

†Hebr. done to him.
‖Or, they which call thee blessed.
†Hebr. swallow vp.
‖Or, burne.
†Hebr. make naked.
‖Or, wet-workes.
‖Or, sweet sauces.
‖Or, spangled ornaments.
†Hebr. bowles of the soule.
†Hebr. might.
‖Or emptied. Heb. cleansed.
†Heb. let thy name be called vpon vs.
‖Or, take thou away.
†Hebr. beauty and glory
†Hebr. for the escaping of Israel.
‖Or, to life
* Exod. 13.21.
‖Or, about
†Heb. a couering.

ly One of Israel draw nigh and come, that wee y know it.

20 ¶ Woe vnto them † that call euill good, and od euill, that put darkneſſe for light, and light darkneſſe, that put bitter for ſweet, and ſweet bitter.

21 Woe *vnto them that are* * wiſe in their owne es, and prudent † in their owne ſight.

22 Woe *vnto them that are* mighty to drinke ine, and men of ſtrength to mingle ſtrong drink.

23 Which * iuſtifie the wicked for reward, and ke away the righteouſneſſe of the righteous from m.

24 Therefore as the † fire deuoureth the ſtubble, d the flame conſumeth the chaffe, ſo their root ll be rottenneſſe, and their bloſſome ſhall goe p as duſt: becauſe they haue caſt away the Law of e LORD of hoſtes, and deſpiſed the word of the ly One of Israel.

25 Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled ainſt his people, and he hath ſtretched foorth s hand againſt them and hath ſmitten them: and e hils did tremble, and their carcaſſes were torn the midſt of the ſtreets: * for all this, his anger is not turned away, but his hand is ſtretched t ſtill.

26 ¶ And he will liſt vp an enſigne to the nations from farre, and will hiſſe vnto them from the end of the earth: and behold, they ſhall come with eed ſwiftly.

27 None ſhall bee weary, nor ſtumble amongſt em, none ſhall ſlumber nor ſleepe, neither ſhall e girdle of their loynes be looſed, nor the latchet their ſhooes be broken.

28 Whoſe arrowes *are* ſharp, and all their bowes nt, their horſes hooues ſhalbe counted like flint, d their wheeles like a whirlewind.

29 Their roaring *ſhall be* like a lyon, they ſhall oare like yong lyons, yea, they ſhall roare and lay ld of the prey, and ſhall carry *it* away ſafe, and one ſhall deliuer *it*.

30 And in that day they ſhall roare againſt them e the roaring of the Sea, and if *one* looke vnto e land, behold darkeneſſe *and* ſorrow, † and the ght is darkened in the heauens thereof.

CHAP. VI.

1 *Iſaiah in a viſion of the Lord in his glory,* 5 *being terrified, is confirmed for his meſſage.* 9 *Hee ſhadoweth obſtinacie of the people vnto their deſolation.* 13 *A remnant ſhall be ſaued.*

IN the yeere that King Vzziah died, I * ſawalſo the Lord ſitting vpon a throne, high and lifted vp, and his † traine filled the Temple.

2 Aboue it ſtood the Seraphims: each one *had* ſix wings, with twaine he couered his face, & with twaine he couered his feet, and w twaine he did flie.

3 And † one cryed to another, and ſaid, Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hoſtes, † the whole earth *is* full of his glory.

4 And the poſtes of the † doore mooued at the voyce of him that cryed, and the houſe was filled with ſmoake.

5 † Then ſaid I, Woe *is* me, for I am † vndone, becauſe I am a man of vncleane lips, and I dwell in the midſt of a people of vncleane lips: for mine eyes haue ſeene the King, the LORD of hoſtes.

6 Then flew one of the Seraphims vnto me, hauing a line coale in his hand, *which* he had taken with the tongs from off the Aultar.

7 And † hee laid *it* vpon my mouth, and ſaid, Lo, this hath touched thy lips, and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy ſinne purged.

8 Alſo I heard the voyce of the Lord, ſaying, Whom ſhall I ſend, and who will goe for * vs? Then I ſaid, † Here am I, ſend me. * Gen. 1.26.

9 ¶ And he ſaid, goe and tell this people, Heare † Heb. ſee ye ‖ indeed, but vnderſtand not: and ſee ye indeed, but perceiue not. hold not. * Mat. 13.

10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their eares heauie, & ſhut their eyes leaſt they ſee with their eyes, and heare with their eares, and vnderſtand with their heart, & conuert, & be healed. 14 mar. 4 12. luke 8. 10. joh. 12 40. act. 28

11 Then ſaid I, Lord, how long? And hee anſwered, Vntill the cities be waſted without inhabitant, and the houſes without man, and the land be † vtterly deſolate. 26. rom. 11. 8. †Or, without caſting, &c.

12 And the LORD haue remoued men far away, & *there be* a great forſaking in y midſt of the land. heb. heare

13 ¶ But yet in it *ſhall be* a tenth, ‖ and *it* ſhall returne, and ſhall be eaten: as a Teyle-tree, and as an oake, whoſe ſubſtance is in them, when they caſt *their leaues*: ſo the holy ſeed *ſhall be* the ſubſtance thereof. † Heb. deſolate with deſolation. ‖ Or, when it is returned, and hath leene broſed, ‖ Or, ſtocke, or ſtemme.

CHAP. VII.

1 *Ahaz being troubled with feare of Rezin and Pekah, is comforted by Iſaiah.* 10 *Ahaz refuſing to aſke a ſigne, and refuſing it, hath for a ſigne Chriſt promiſed.* 17 *His iudgement is prophecied to come by Aſſyria.*

AND it came to paſſe in the daies of * Ahaz the ſon of Iotham, the ſonne of Vzziah King of Iudah, *that* Rezin the King of Syria, and Pekah the ſonne of Remaliah King of Iſrael, went vp toward Ieruſalem, to warre againſt it, but could not preuaile againſt it. * 2 Kings 16. 5.

2 And it was told the houſe of Dauid, ſaying, Syria is † confederate with Ephraim: and his heart was moued, and the heart of his people as the trees of the wood are moued with the wind. † Heb. reſteth on Ephraim

3 Then ſaid the LORD vnto Iſaiah, Goe foorth now to meete Ahaz, thou and † Shear-iaſhub thy ſon, at the end of the * conduit of the viper poole, ‖ in the high way of the Fullers field. † That is, the remnant ſhall returne. * 2 Kings 18. 17. ‖ Or, cauſeway.

4 And ſay vnto him, Take heede and bee quiet: † Feare not, † neither be faint hearted, for the two tailes of theſe ſmoaking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the ſonne of Remaliah. † Heb. let not thy heart be tender.

5 Becauſe Syria, Ephraim, and the ſon of Remaliah haue taken euill counſell againſt thee, ſaying; ‖ Or, waken. † Hebr. from a people.

6 Let vs goe vp againſt Iudah, and † vexe it, and let vs make a breach therein for vs, and ſet a King in the midſt of it, *euen* the ſonne of Tabeal. ‖ Or, do ye not beleeue it is becauſe ye are not ſtable. † Hebr. and the Lord aided to ſpeake.

7 Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, It ſhall not ſtand: neither ſhall it come to paſſe. ‖ Or, make thy perſuaſion deepe.

8 For the head of Syria *is* Damaſcus, and the head of Damaſcus *is* Rezin, and within threeſcore and fiue yeeres ſhall Ephraim be broken, † that it be not a people.

9 And the head of Ephraim *is* Samaria, and the head of Samaria *is* Remaliahs ſon: ‖ if ye will not beleeue, ſurely ye ſhall not be eſtabliſhed.

10 ¶ † Moreouer the LORD ſpake againe vnto Ahaz, ſaying,

11 Aske thee a ſigne of the LORD thy God; ‖ aske it either in the depth, or in the height aboue.

12 But Ahaz ſaid, I will not aske, neither will I tempt the LORD.

13 And he ſaid, Heare ye now, O houſe of Dauid, *Is it* a ſmall thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God alſo?

14 Therefore the Lord himſelfe ſhall giue you a ſigne

signe: * Behold, a virgin shall conceiue and beare a sonne, and ‖ shall call his name Immanuel.

15 Butter and hony shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the euill and chuse the good.

16 For before the child shall know to refuse the euill, and chuse the good, the land that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of both her kings.

17 ¶ The LORD shall bring vpon thee, and vpon thy people, and vpon thy fathers house, dayes that haue not come, from the daye that Ephraim departed from Iudah, *euen* the King of Assyria.

18 And it shall come to passe in that day, *that* the LORD shall hisse for the Flie that *is* in the vttermost part of the riuers of Egypt, & for the Bee that *is* in the land of Assyria.

19 And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleyes, and in the holes of the rockes, and vpon all thornes, and vpon all ‖ bushes.

20 In the same day shall the Lord shaue with a * rasor that is hired, namely, by them beyond the riuer, by the King of Assyria, the head and the haire of the feet: and it shall also consume the beard.

21 And it shall come to passe in that day, *that* a man shall nourish a yong cow, and two sheepe.

22 And it shall come to passe; for the abundance of milke *that* they shall giue, hee shall eat butter: for butter and hony shal euery one eat that is left † in the land.

23 And it shall come to passe in that day, *that* euery place shall bee, where there were a thousand vines at a thousand siluerlings, it shall *euen* be for briers and thornes.

24 With arrowes and with bowes shall men come thither; because all the land shall become briers and thornes.

25 And on all hills that shalbe digged with the mattocke, there shal not come thither the feare of briers and thornes: but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattell.

CHAP. VIII.

1 In Maher-shalal hash baz he prophecieth, that Syria and Israel shall be subdued by Assyria. 5 Iudah likewise for their infidelity. 9 Gods iudgements shall be vnresistable. 11 Comfort shall bee to them that feare God. 19 Great afflictions to idolaters.

MOreouer, the LORD said vnto me, Take thee a great roule, and write in it with a mans pen, concerning † Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

2 And I tooke vnto me faithfull witnesses to record, Vriah the Priest, and Zechariah the sonne of Ieberechiah.

3 And I † went vnto the Prophetesse, and shee conceiued and beare a sonne, then said the LORD to me, Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

4 For before the child shall haue knowledge to cry, My father, and my mother, the ‖ riches of Damascus, and the spoyle of Samaria shall be taken away before the King of Assyria.

5 ¶ The LORD spake also vnto mee againe, saying,

6 For somuch as this people refuseth the waters of Shiloah that goe softly, and reioyce in Rezin, and Remaliahs sonne:

7 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth vp vpon them the waters of the riuer, strong, and many, *euen* the King of Assyria and all his glory: and he shall come vp ouer all his channels, and goe ouer all his bankes.

8 And hee shall passe thorow Iudah, hee shall ouerflow and goe ouer; hee shall reach euen to the neck: and † the stretching out of his wings shall fill the the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.

9 ¶ Associate your selues, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in pieces, and giue eare, all ye of farre countries: gird your selues, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird your selues, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

10 Take counsell together, and it shall come to nought: speake the word, and it shall not stand: for God is with vs.

11 ¶ For the LORD spake thus to me † with a strong hand, and instructed me, that I should not walke in the way of this people, saying,

12 Say ye not, A confederacy to all them to whom this people shall say, A confederacy; neither feare ye their feare, nor be afraid.

13 Sanctifie the LORD of hosts himselfe, and let him *be* your feare, and *let* him *be* your dread.

14 And he shall bee for a Sanctuary; but for a ‖ stone of stumbling, and for a rocke of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin, and for a snare to the inhabitants of Ierusalem.

15 And many among them shall * stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.

16 Bind vp the Testimony, seale the Law among my Disciples.

17 And I will wait vpon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Iacob, and I will looke for him.

18 * Behold, I, and the children whom the LORD hath giuen me, *are* for signes, and for wonders in Israel † from the LORD of hosts which dwelleth in mount Zion.

19 ¶ And when they shall say vnto you; Seeke vnto them that haue familiar spirits, and vnto wizards ‖ that peepe and that mutter: should not a people seeke vnto their God? for the liuing to the dead?

20 * To the Law and to the Testimony: if they speake not according to this word, it is because there is † no light in them.

21 And they shall passe through it, hardly bestead, and hungry: and it shall come to passe, that when they shall be hungry, they shall fret themselues, and curse their King, and their God, and looke vpward.

22 And they shall looke vnto the earth; and behold trouble and darkenesse, dimmesse of anguish; and they shall be driuen to darkenesse.

CHAP. IX.

1 What ioy shall be in the midst of affliction by the kingdome and birth of Christ. 8 The iudgements vpon Israel for their pride. 13 for their hypocrisie, 18 and for their impenitency.

NEuerthelesse, the dimnesse shall not be such as was in her vexation, when at ‖ first he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun, and the land of Naphtali, and afterward did more grieuously afflict *her* by the way of the Sea, beyond Iordan, in Galilee ‖ of the nations.

2 The * people that walked in darkenesse, haue seene a great light: they that dwell in ‖ land of the shadow of death, vpon them hath ‖ light shined.

3 Thou hast multiplied the Nation, *and* ‖ not increased the ioy: they ioy before thee, according to the ioy in harueſt, *and* as men reioyce when they diuide the spoile.

4 ‖ For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staffe of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressour as in the day of * Midian.

5 ‖ For euery battell of the warriour is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood;

* Mat. 1. 23 Luk. 1. 31
‖ Or, thou, O virgin, shalt call.
‖ Or, commendable trees.
* 2 Kings 19. 35.
† Hebr. in the middest of the land.
¶ Hebr. in making speed to the spoile, he hasteneth the prey: or, make speed, &c.
† Hebr. approached vnto.
‖ Or, Hee that is before the King of Assyria shall take away the riches, &c.
* Mat. 4. 15.
‖ Or, at the first.
‖ Or, the nations.
‖ Or, increased not the ioy.
* Iudg. 7. 22.
‖ Or, but.
* Psal. 22. 8. Mat. 27. 39. Luk. 23. 35.
† Hebr. from with.
‖ Or, that chirp and that mutter.
* Luk. 16. 29.
† Hebr. no morning to them.
‖ Or, vile.
‖ Or, people.
‖ Or, the shadow of death, vpon them hath light shined.
‖ Or, not increased the ioy.
‖ Or, For.
* Iudg. 7. 22.
‖ Or, For.

but this shalbe with burning *and* † fuell of fire.
6 For vnto vs a child is borne, vnto vs *a sonne is
given, and the gouernment shall be vpon his shoul-
der: and his Name shall be called, Wonderfull,
Counseller, The mighty God, The euerlasting
Father, The Prince of peace.
7 Of the increase of his gouernment and peace,
there shall be no end, vpon the throne of Dauid,
and vpon his kingdome, to order it, and to stablish
it with iudgement, and with iustice, from hence-
forth euen for euer: the *zeale of the LORD of
hosts will performe this.
8 ¶ The Lord sent a word vnto Iacob, and it
hath lighted vpon Israel.
9 And all the people shall know, *euen* Ephraim,
and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the
pride and stoutnesse of heart;
10 The brickes are fallen downe, but we will
build with hewen stones: the Sycamores are cut
downe, but we will change *them* into Cedars.
11 Therefore the LORD shall set vp the aduer-
saries of Rezin against him, and †ioyne his ene-
mies together.
12 The Syrians before, and the Philistines be-
hind, and they shall deuoure Israel † with open
mouth: *for all this his anger is not turned away,
but his hand *is* stretched out still.
13 ¶ For the people turneth not vnto him that
smiteth them, neither doe they seeke the LORD
of hosts.
14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel
head and taile, braunch and rush in one day.
15 The ancient and honourable, hee *is* the head:
and the prophet that teacheth lies, he *is* the taile.
16 For the ‖leaders of this people cause them
to erre, and they ‖that are led of them, are † de-
stroyed.
17 Therefore the Lord shall haue no ioy in their
young men, neither shall haue mercy on their father-
lesse and widowes: for euery one *is* an hypocrite,
and an euill doer, and euery mouth speaketh ‖ folly:
for all this his anger is not turned away, but
his hand *is* stretched out still.
18 ¶ For wickednesse burneth as the fire: it shall
deuoure the briers and thornes, & shall kindle in
the thickets of the forrest, and they shall mount
vp like the lifting vp of smoake.
19 Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is
the land darkened, and the people shall bee as the
fewell of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.
20 And he shall † snatch on the right hand, and
be hungry, and he shall eate on the left hand, and
they shall not bee satisfied: they shall eate euery
man the flesh of his owne arme.
21 Manasseh, Ephraim: and Ephraim, Manasseh:
and they together *shall bee* against Iudah: for all
this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is*
stretched out still.

CHAP. X.

1 *The woe of Tyrants.* 5 *Assyria, the rod of hy-
pocrites, for his pride shalbe broken.* 20 *A remnant
of Israel shall be saued.* 24 *Israel is comforted with
promise of deliuerance from Assyria.*

WOe vnto them that decree vnrighteous de-
crees, and ‖that write grieuousnesse *which*
they haue prescribed:
2 To turne aside the needy from iudgement, and
to take away the right from the poore of my peo-
ple, that widowes may be their prey, and that they
may rob the fatherlesse.
3 And what will ye doe in the day of visitation,
and in the desolation *which* shall come from farre?
to whom will ye flee for helpe? and where will ye
leaue your glory?
4 Without me they shall bow downe vnder the
prisoners, and they shall fall vnder the slaine: * for
all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand
is stretched out still.
5 ¶ O † Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, ‖ and
the staffe in their hand is mine indignation.
6 I will send him against an hypocriticall nation,
and against the people of my wrath will I giue him
a charge to take the spoile, and to take the prey, and
† to tread them downe like the myre of the streets.
7 Howbeit, he meaneth not so, neither doth his
heart thinke so, but *it is* in his heart to destroy, and
cut off nations not a few.
8 * For hee saith, *Are* not my Princes altoge-
ther Kings?
9 *Is* not Calno as Carchemish? *is* not Hamath
as Arpad? *is* not Samaria as Damascus?
10 As my hand hath found the kingdomes of the
idoles, and whose grauen images did excell them
of Ierusalem and of Samaria:
11 Shall I not, as I haue done vnto Samaria and
her idoles, so doe to Ierusalem and her idoles?
12 Wherefore it shall come to passe, *that* when
the Lord hath performed his whole worke * vpon
mount Zion, and on Ierusalem, I will † punish the
fruit † of the stout heart of the King of Assyria,
and the glory of his high lookes.
13 For hee saith, by the strength of my hand I
haue done *it*, and by my wisedome, for I am
prudent: and I haue remoued the bounds of the
people, and haue robbed their treasures, and I haue
put downe the inhabitants ‖ like a valiant man.
14 And my hand hath found as a nest the riches
of the people: and as one gathered egges that are
left, haue I gathered all the earth, and there was
none that mooued the wing, or opened the mouth,
or peeped.
15 Shal the axe boast it self against him that hew-
eth therewith? or shall the saw magnifie it self
against him that shaketh it? ‖ as if the rod should
shake *it self* against them that lift it vp, or as if the
staffe should lift vp *it self, as if it were* no wood.
16 Therfore shal the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send
among his fat ones, leanenesse, & vnder his glory, he
shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.
17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and
his holy One for a flame: and it shall burne and
deuoure his thornes and his briers in one day:
18 And shall consume the glory of his forrest, and
of his fruitfull field, † both soule and body: and
they shall be as when a standard bearer fainteth.
19 And the rest of the trees of his forrest, shall
be † few, that a childe may write them.
20 ¶ And it shall come to passe in that day, *that*
the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of
the house of Iacob, shall no more againe stay vpon
him that smote them: but shall stay vpon the
LORD, the holy One of Israel in truth.
21 The remnant shall returne, *euen* the remnant
of Iacob, vnto the mighty God.
22 ▸ For though thy people Israel bee as the
sand of the Sea, *yet* a remnant † of them shall re-
turne: the consumption decreed shall ouerflow
‖ with righteousnesse.
23 ▸ For the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a
consumption, euen determined in the midst of all
the land.
24 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of
hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not
afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a

* Chap. 5.25. and 9.12.
‖ Or, woe to the Assyrian
† Hebr. Asshur.
‖ Or, though.
† Hebr. to lay them a treading.
* 2. Kings 18.29.33. and 19. 10, &c.
* 2. Kings 19.31.
† Hebr. visit vpon.
† Hebr. of the greatnesse of the heart.
‖ Or, like a man
people
‖ Or, as if a rod should shake them that lift it vp.
‖ Or, that which is not wood.
† Hebr. from the soule, and euen to the flesh.
† Hebr. number.
* Chap. 28.22. Rom. 9.27.
† Hebr. in a consumption.
‖ Or, in righteousnesse. Chap. 28.22.

rod, ‖ and shall lift vp his staffe against thee; after the manner of * Egypt.

25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their destruction.

26 And the LORD of hosts shall stir vp a scourge for him, according to the slaughter of * Midian at the rocke Oreb: and as his rod was vpon the Sea, so shall he lift it vp after the manner of Egypt.

27 And it shall come to passe in that day, that his burden † shall bee taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy necke, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.

28 He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron: at Michmash he hath laid vp his carriages.

29 They are gone ouer the passage: they haue taken vp their lodging at Geba, Ramah is afraid, Gibeah of Saul is fled.

30 † Lift vp thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard vnto Laish, O poore Anathoth.

31 Madmenah is removed, the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselues to flee.

32 As yet shall he remaine at Nob that day: he shall shake his hand against the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Ierusalem.

33 Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts shall lop the bough with terrour: and the high ones of stature shall bee hewen downe, and the haughty shall be humbled.

34 And hee shall cut downe the thickets of the forrests with yron, and Lebanon shall fall ‖ by a mighty One.

CHAP. XI.

1 *The peaceable kingdome of the branch out of the roote of Iesse.* 10 *The victorious restauration of Israel, and vocation of the Gentiles.*

AND there shall come foorth a rod out of the stemme of * Iesse, and a branch shall grow out of his rootes.

2 And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest vpon him: the Spirit of wisedome and vnderstanding, the Spirit of counsell and might, the Spirit of knowledge, and of the feare of the LORD.

3 And shall make him of † quicke vnderstanding in the feare of the LORD, and he shall not iudge after the sight of his eyes, neither reproue after the hearing of his eares.

4 But with righteousnesse shall he iudge the poore, and ‖ reproue with equity, for the meeke of the earth: and he shall * smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

5 And righteousnesse shall be the girdle of his loines, and faithfulnesse the girdle of his reines.

6 * The wolfe also shall dwell with the lambe, and the leopard shall lie downe with the kid: and the calfe, and the yong lyon, and the fatling together, and a little childe shall leade them.

7 And the cow and the beare shall feed, their young ones shall lie downe together: and the lyon shall eate straw like the oxe.

8 And the sucking childe shall play on the hole of the Aspe, and the weaned childe shall put his hand on the ‖ cockatrice den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountaine: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters couer the Sea.

10 ¶ And in that day there shall bee a roote of Iesse, which shall stand for an ensigne of the people: to it shall the * Gentiles seeke, and his rest shall be † glorious.

11 And it shall come to passe in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand againe the second time, to recouer the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, & from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, & from Hamath, and from the Ilands of the Sea.

12 And he shall set vp an ensigne for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Iudah from the foure † corners of the earth.

13 The enuy also of Ephraim shall depart, & the aduersaries of Iudah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not enuy Iudah, and Iudah shall not vexe Ephraim.

14 But they shall flie vpon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the West, they shall spoile them of the East together: they shall lay their hand vpon Edom and Moab, † and the children of Ammon shall obey them.

15 And the LORD shal vtterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian Sea, and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand ouer the riuer, and shall smite it in the seuen streams, and make men goe ouer † dry shod.

16 And there shall be an high way for the remnant of his people, which shall be left from Assyria, like as it was to Israel, in the day that he came vp out of the land of * Egypt.

CHAP. XII.

A ioyfull thanksgiuing of the faithfull for the mercies of God.

AND in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, & thou comfortedst me.

2 Behold, God is my saluation: I will trust, and not be afraid; for the LORD IEHOVAH is my * strength and my Song: he also is become my saluation.

3 Therefore with ioy shall ye draw water out of the welles of saluation.

4 And in that day shall ye say, * Praise the LORD, ‖ call vpon his Name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his Name is exalted.

5 Sing vnto the LORD, for he hath done excellent things: this is knowne in all the earth.

6 Cry out, & shout, thou † inhabitant of Zion: for great is the holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *God musereth the armies of his wrath.* 6 *He threatneth to destroy Babylon by the Medes.* 19 *The desolation of Babylon.*

THE burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the sonne of Amos did see.

2 Lift ye vp a banner vpon the high mountaine, exalt the voice vnto them, shake the hand, that they may goe into the gates of the Nobles.

3 I haue commanded my sanctified ones: I haue also called my mighty ones for mine anger, euen them that reioyce in my highnesse.

4 The noise of a multitude in the mountaines, † like as of a great people: a tumultuous noyse of the kingdomes of nations gathered together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the hoste of the battell.

5 They come from a far countrey, from the end of heauen, euen the LORD, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land.

6 ¶ Howle ye; for the day of the LORD is neere hand: it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.

7 Therefore shall all hands be faint, and euery mans heart shall melt.

8 And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrowes shall take hold of them, they shall be in paine, as a woman that trauelleth: they shall be amazed one at another, their faces shall be as ‖ flames.

9 Behold, the day of the LORD commeth, cruell

‖ Or, but he shall lift vp his staffe for thee * Exod. 14. * Iudg. 7.25. chap. 9.4. † Hebr. shall be remoued.

† Hebr. cry shrill with thy voyce.

‖ Or, mighty.

‖ Or, reproue.

Chap. 9.21.

Rom. 5.12. * Hebr. glory.

with wrath & fierce anger, to lay the land de-
ate: & he shal destroy the sinners thereof out of it.
10 For the starres of heauen, and the constella-
tions thereof shall not giue their light: the Sunne
shall be darkened in his going foorth, and the
Moone shall not cause her light to shine.
11 And I will punish the world for their euill,
and the wicked for their iniquity, and I will cause
the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay
low the haughtinesse of the terrible.
12 I will make a man more precious then fine
gold: even a man then the golden wedge of Ophir.
13 Therefore I will shake the heauens, and the earth
shall remoue out of her place in the wrath of the
Lord of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.
14 And it shall be as the chased Roe, and as a
sheepe that no man taketh vp: they shall euery
man turne to his owne people, and flee euery one
into his owne land.
15 Euery one that is found, shall bee thrust tho-
rough: and euery one that is ioyned *vnto them*, shall
fall by the sword.
16 Their children also shall be * dashed to pieces
before their eyes, their houses shall be spoyled, and
their wiues rauished.
17 Behold, I will stirre vp the Medes against
them, which shall not regard siluer, and as for gold,
they shall not delight in it.
18 *Their* bowes also shall dash the young men to
pieces, and they shall haue no pity on the fruit of
the wombe; their eye shall not spare children.
19 ¶ And Babylon the glory of kingdomes, the
beauty of the Caldees excellency shall be † as when
God ouerthrew * Sodome and Gomorrah.
20 It shall neuer be inhabited, neither shall *it* be
dwelt in from generation to generation: neither
shall the Arabian pitch tent there, neither shall
the shepheards make their fold there.
21 But † wilde beastes of the desart shall lie
there, and their houses shall be full of † dolefull
creatures, and ‖ Owles shall dwell there, and † Sa-
tyres shall dance there.
22 And the wild † beasts of the Iland shall cry
in their ‖ desolate houses, and dragons in their
pleasant palaces: and her time is neere to come,
and her dayes shall not be prolonged.

CHAP. XIIII.

Gods mercifull reclamation of Israel. 4 Their prophane insultation ouer Babel. 24 Gods purpose against Assyria. 29 Palestina is threatned.

1 For the LORD will haue mercy on Iacob, and
will yet chuse Israel, and set them in their
owne land: and the strangers shall be ioyned with
them, and they shall cleaue to the house of Iacob.
2 And the people shall take them, and bring
them to their place: and the house of Israel shall
possesse them in the land of the LORD, for ser-
uants and hand-maides: and they shall take them
captiues, whose captiues they were, and they shall
rule ouer their oppressours.
3 And it shall come to passe, in the day that the
LORD shall giue thee rest from thy sorrow, and
from thy feare, and from the hard bondage where-
in thou was made to serue,
4 ¶ That thou shalt take vp this ‖ prouerbe
against the † King of Babylon, and say, How hath
the oppressour ceased! the ‖ golden city ceased!
5 The LORD hath broken the staffe of the wic-
ked, and the sceepter of the rulers.
6 Hee who smote the people in wrath with † a
continuall stroke: he that ruled the nations in an-
ger, is persecuted and none hindereth.
7 The whole earth is at rest, *and* is quiet: they
breake forth into singing.
8 Yea, the firre trees reioyce at thee, *and* the
Cedars of Lebanon, *saying*, Since thou art laid
downe, no Feller is come vp against vs.
9 ‖ Hell from beneath is moued for thee to meet
thee at thy coming: it stirreth vp the dead for thee,
euen all the † chiefe ones of the earth: it hath raised
vp from their thrones, all the kings of the nations.
10 All they shall speake, and say vnto thee, Art
thou also become weake as wee? Art thou become
like vnto vs?
11 Thy pompe is brought downe to the graue,
and the noyse of thy viols: the worme is spread
vnder thee, and the wormes couer thee.
12 How art thou fallen from heauen, ‖ O Lucifer,
sonne of the morning? *how* art thou cut downe to
the ground, which didst weaken the nations?
13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend
into heauen, I will exalt my throne aboue the starrs
of God: I will sit also vpon the mount of the Con-
gregation in the sides of the North.
14 I will ascend aboue the heights of the clouds, I
will be like the most High.
15 Yet thou shalt bee brought downe to hell, to
the sides of the pit.
16 They that see thee, shall narrowly looke vpon
thee, *and* consider thee, *saying*, ? is this the man that
made ? earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms?
17 That made the world as a wildernesse, and
destroyed the cities thereof, ‖ that opened not the
house of his prisoners?
18 All the Kings of the nations, *euen* all of them
lie in glory, euery one in his owne house.
19 But thou art cast out of thy graue, like an
abominable branch: *and* as the raiment of those
that are slaine, thrust thorow with a sword, that
goe downe to the stones of the pit, as a carcasse
troden vnder feet.
20 Thou shalt not be ioyned with them in buri-
all, because thou hast destroyed thy land, *and* slaine
thy people: * the seed of euill doers shall neuer be
renowned.
21 Prepare slaughter for his children, * for the
iniquitie of their fathers, that they doe not rise
nor possesse the land, nor fill the face of the world
with cities.
22 For I will rise vp against them, saith the
LORD of hostes, and cut off from Babylon the
name, and remnant, and sonne, and nephew, saith
the LORD.
23 I will also make it a possession for the Bit-
terne, and pooles of water: and I will swepe it
with the besome of destruction, saith the LORD
of hostes.
24 ¶ The LORD of hostes hath sworne, saying,
Surely, as I haue thought, so shall it come to passe,
and as I haue purposed, so shall it stand:
25 That I will breake the Assyrian in my land,
and vpon my mountaines tread him vnder foot:
then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his
burden depart from off their shoulders.
26 This *is* the purpose that is purposed vpon the
whole earth: and this *is* the hand that is stretched
out vpon all the nations.
27 For the LORD of hostes * hath purposed, and
who shall disanull *it*? and his hand *is* stretched
out, and who shall turne it backe?
28 In the yeere that King Ahaz died, was this
burden.
29 ¶ Reioyce not thou whole Palestina, because
the rod of him that smote thee is broken: for out of
the

[Or, the graue. † Hebr. leaders, or great goats.]
[Or, the day-star.]
[Or, did not let his prisoners loose home.]
*Iob.18.19. Psal.109.13.
*Exod.20.5. Iob.21.19. Esay.14.21. Ier.32.18.
*2.Chron.36.22. Iacob 9.12. pro. 21.30. dan.4.32.

‖ Or, Adder.
‖ Or, he shall not be alone.
‖ Or, assemblies.
*Psal. 87. 1, 5, & 102. 17.
‖ Or, betake themselves unto it.
‖ Or, cut off.
* Jer. 48. 37, 38. Ezek. 7. 18.
† Heb. descending into weeping: or comming downe with weeping.
‖ Or, to the borders thereof, even to Zoar as an heifer.
* Jer. 48. 5, 34.
† Hebr. breaking.
† Heb. defections.
‖ Or, vally of the Arabians.
† Heb. addions.
‖ Or, Petra. Heb. a rocke.
‖ Or, a nest forsaken.
† Hebr. bring.
† Hebr. wringer.
† Heb. she treaders downe.
‖ Or, prepared.
* Dan. 7. 24, 27. misc. 1. 7. Luke 1. 33.
* Jer. 48. 29.

the serpents roote shall come foorth a ‖ cockatrice, and his fruit *shalbe* a fiery flying serpent.

30 And the first borne of the poore shal feed, and the needy shall lie downe in safety: and I will kill thy roote with famine, and he shal slay thy remnant.

31 Howle, O gate, cry, O city, thou whole Palestina art dissolued, for there shall come from the North a smoake, and ‖ none *shalbe* alone in his ‖ appointed times.

32 What shall one then answere the messengers of the nation? *that the LORD hath founded Zion, and the poore of his people shall ‖ trust in it.

CHAP. XV.

The lamentable state of Moab.

THe burden of Moab: because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, *and* ‖ brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, *and* brought to silence:

2 Hee is gone vp to Baijth, and to Dibon, the high places to weep: Moab shall howle ouer Nebo, and ouer Medeba, *on all their heads *shalbe* baldnesse, *and* euery beard cut off.

3 In their streets they shal gird themselues with sackcloth: on the tops of their houses, and in their streets euery one shal howle, † weeping abundantly.

4 And Heshbon shall cry, and Elealeh: their voyce shalbe heard *euen* vnto Iahaz: therefore the armed souldiers of Moab shall cry out, his life shall be grieuous vnto him.

5 My heart shall cry out for Moab, ‖ his fugitiues *shall flee* vnto Zoar, an *heifer of three yeeres old: for by the mounting vp of Luhith, with weeping shall they goe it vp: for in the way of Horonaim, they shall raise vp a cry of † destruction.

6 For the waters of Nimrim shalbe † desolate: for the hay is withered away, the grasse faileth, there is no greene thing.

7 Therefore the abundance they haue gotten, and that which they haue laid vp, shall they carry away to the ‖ brooke of the willowes.

8 For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab: the howling thereof vnto Eglaim, and the howling thereof vnto Beer-Elim.

9 For the waters of Dimon shalbe full of bloods: for I will bring † more vpon Dimon, lyons vpon him that escapeth of Moab, and vpon the remnant of the land.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Moab is exhorted to yeeld obedience to Christs Kingdome. 6 Moab is threatned for her pride. 9 The prophet bewaileth her. 12 The iudgment of Moab.

SEnd ye the lambe to the ruler of the land, from ‖ Sela to the wildernesse, vnto the mount of the daughter of Zion.

2 For it shall bee that as a wandring bird ‖ cast out of the nest: so the daughters of Moab shall bee at the foords of Arnon.

3 † Take counsell, execute iudgment, make thy shadow as the night, in the mid'deft of the noone day; hide the out-casts, bewray not him that wandereth.

4 Let mine out-casts dwell with thee, Moab, be thou a couert to them from the face of the spoyler: for the † extortioner is at an end, the spoyler ceaseth, † the oppressors are consumed out of the land.

5 And in mercy shall the throne be ‖ established, and he shall *sit vpon it in truth, in the tabernacle of Dauid, iudging, and seeking iudgement, and hasting righteousnesse.

6 ¶ We haue heard of the *pride of Moab (he is very proud) *euen* of his haughtinesse, and his pride, and his wrath; *but* his lies shall not be so.

7 Therfore shall Moab * howle, for Moab euery one shall howle: for the foundations of Kirhareseth shall ye ‖ mourne, surely they *are* stricken.

8 For the fields of Heshbon languish, *and the* vine of Sibmah, the lords of the heathen haue broken downe the principall plants thereof, they are come euen vnto Iazer, they wandred *through* the wildernesse, her branches are ‖ stretched out, they are gone ouer the Sea.

9 ¶ Therefore I will bewaile with the weeping of Iazer the vine of Sibmah: I will water thee with my teares: O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for the shouting for thy Summer fruits, and for thy harueft is fallen.

10 And * gladnesse is taken away, and ioy out of the plentifull field, and in the vineyards there shall be no singing, neither shall there be shouting: the treaders shall tread out no wine in their presses: I haue made their *vintage* shouting to ceafe.

11 Wherefore my bowels shall sound like an harpe for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kirharesh.

12 ¶ And it shall come to passe, when it is seene that Moab is weary on the high place, that he shall come to his Sanctuary to pray: but he shall not prevaile.

13 This *is the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since that time.

14 But now the LORD hath spoken, saying, Within three yeeres, as the yeares of an hireling, and the glory of Moab shall bee contemned, with all that great multitude; and the remnant shall be very small and ‖ feeble.

CHAP. XVII.

1 Syria and Israel are threatned. 6 A remnant shall forsake idolatry. 9 The rest shall be plagued for their impiety: 12 The rest of the nations.

THe burden of Damascus: behold, Damascus is taken away from *being* a citie, and it shall be a ruinous heape.

2 The cities of Aroer are forsaken: they shall be for flocks which shall lie downe, and none shall make *them* afraid.

3 The fortresse also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdome from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria: they shall bee as the glory of the children of Israel, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 And in that day it shall come to passe, that the glory of Iacob shall be made thin, and the fatnesse of his flesh shall waxe leane.

5 And it shall bee as when the harueft reapeth the corne, and reapeth the eares with his arme, and it shall be as hee that gathereth eares in the valley of Rephaim.

6 ¶ (Yet, gleaning grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an Oliue tree, two or three berries in the top of the vppermost bough: foure or fiue in the outmost fruitfull branches thereof, saith the LORD God of Israel.

7 At that day shall a man looke to his Maker, and his eyes shall haue respect to the holy One of Israel.

8 And he shall not looke to the altars, the worke of his hands, neither shall he respect that which his fingers haue made, either the groues, or the ‖ images.

9 ¶ In that day shall his strong cities be as a forsaken bough, and an vppermost branch which they left, because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation.

10 Because thou hast forgotten the God of thy † saluation, and hast not been mindfull of the rock of thy strength: therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange ſlips.

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11 In the day shalt thou make thy plaint to grow
and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to
flourish: but the harvest shall be a heape in the day
of griefe, and of desperate sorrow.

12 ¶ Woe to the ‖ multitude of many people,
which make a noise like the noise of the seas: and to
the rushing of nations, that make a rushing like the
rushing of mighty waters.

13 The nations shall rush like the rushing of ma-
ny waters: but God shall rebuke them, and they
shall flee farre off, and shall be chased as the chaffe
of the mountaines before the wind: and like a ‖ rol-
ling thing before the whirlewind.

14 And behold at euening tide, trouble: and be-
fore the morning he is not: this is the portion of
them that spoile vs, and the lot of them that rob vs.

CHAP. XVIII.

*God in care of his people will destroy the Ethiopi-
ans. 7 An accesse of them shall grow to the Church.*

WOe to the land shadowing with wings, which
is beyond the riuers of Ethiopia:

2 That sendeth ambassadours by the sea, euen in
vessels of bulrushes vpon the waters, *saying*, Goe ye
swift messengers, to a nation scattered and peeled,
to a people terrible from their beginning hither-
to; a nation meted out, and troden downe, ‖ whose
land the riuers haue spoiled.

3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers
on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth vp an ensigne
on the mountaines, and when he bloweth a trumpet,
heare ye.

4 For so the LORD said vnto me: I will take my
rest and I will ‖ consider in my dwelling place like
a clere heat vpon herbs, and like a cloud of dew
in the heat of harueste.

5 For afore the harueste, when the bud is perfect,
and the sowre grape is ripening in the flowre, he
shall both cut off the sprigs with sicles, and take
away, and cut downe the branches.

6 They shall be left together vnto the fowles of
the mountaines, and to the beasts of the earth: and
the fowles shall summer vpon them, and all the
beasts of the earth shall winter vpon them.

7 ¶ In that time shall the present be brought vn-
to the LORD of hosts, of a people ‖ scattered and
peeled, and from a people terrible from their be-
ginning hitherto; a nation meted out, and troden
vnder foot, whose land the riuers haue spoiled, to
the place of the Name of the LORD of hosts, the
mount Zion.

CHAP. XIX.

*The destruction of Egypt. 11 The foolishnesse of
their Princes. 18 The calling of Egypt to the Church
The conuenant of Egypt, Assyria, and Israel.*

THe burden of Egypt: Behold, the LORD rideth
vpon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt,
and the idols of Egypt shall be moued at his pre-
sence, and the heart of Egypt shal melt in the midst
of it.

2 And I will † set the Egyptians against the E-
gyptians: and they shall fight euery one against his
brother, and euery one against his neighbour, citie
against citie, and kingdome against kingdome.

3 And the spirit of Egypt † shall faile in the
midst thereof, and I will † destroy the counsell
thereof: and they shall seeke to the idols, and to
the charmers, and to them that haue familiar spi-
rits, and to the wizards.

4 And the Egyptians will I ‖ giue ouer into the
hand of a cruell lord, and a fierce King shall rule
ouer them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.

5 And the waters shall faile from the sea, and
the riuer shall bee wasted and dried vp.

6 And they shall turne the riuers far away, and
the brookes of defence shall be emptied and dried
vp: the reeds and flags shall wither.

7 The paper reeds by the brookes, by the mouth
of the brookes, and euery thing sowne by the brooks,
shall wither, be driuen away, † and be no more.

8 The fishers also shall mourne, and all they that
cast angle into the brookes, shall lament, and they
that spread nets vpon the waters shall languish.

9 Moreouer, they that worke in fine flaxe, and
they that weaue ‖ net-works, shall be confounded.

10 And they shall bee broken in the † purposes
thereof, all that make sluces and ponds ‖ for fish.

11 ¶ Surely the Princes of Zoan are fooles, the
counsell of the wise counsellers of Pharaoh is be-
come brutish: how say ye vnto Pharaoh, I am the
sonne of the wise, the sonne of ancient Kings?

12 Where are they? where are thy wise men?
and let them tell thee now, and let them know
what the LORD of hosts hath purposed vpon Egypt.

13 The Princes of Zoan are become fooles: the
Princes of Noph are deceiued, they haue also seduced
Egypt, *euen* they that are the stay of the tribes
thereof.

14 The LORD hath mingled † a peruerse spirit in
the midst thereof: and they haue caused Egypt to
erre in every worke thereof, as a drunken man stag-
gereth in his vomit.

15 Neither shall there be any worke for Egypt,
which the head or taile, branch or rush may doe.

16 In that day shall Egypt be like vnto women:
and it shall bee afraid, and feare, because of the
shaking of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which
he shaketh ouer it.

17 And the land of Iudah shall be a terrour vnto
Egypt, euery one that maketh mention thereof, shall
be afraid in himselfe, because of the counsell of the
LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

18 ¶ In that day shall fiue cities in the land of
Egypt speake the † language of Canaan, and sweare
to the LORD of hosts: one shall be called the citie
‖ of destruction.

19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD
in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at
the border thereof to the LORD.

20 And it shall be for a signe and for a witnesse
vnto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for
they shall cry vnto the LORD because of the op-
pressours, and he shall send them a Sauiour, and
a great One, and he shall deliuer them.

21 And the LORD shall be knowne to Egypt, and
the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day,
and shall doe sacrifice and oblation, yea, they shall
vow a vow vnto the LORD, and performe it.

22 And the LORD shall smite Egypt, he shall
smite and heale it: and they shall returne euen to
the LORD, and he shall be intreated of them, and
shall heale them.

23 ¶ In that day shall there be a high way out of
Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into
Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egy-
ptians shall serue with the Assyrians.

24 In that day shall Israel bee the third with
Egypt, and with Assyria, *euen* a blessing in the
midst of the land:

25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall blesse, saying,
Blessed *be* Egypt my people, and Assyria the worke
of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.

CHAP. XX.

*A type prefiguring the shamefull captiuity of
Egypt and Ethiopia.*

† Hebr. and shall not be.

‖ Or, white workes.

† Hebr. foundations.

† Hebr. of staues strings.

‖ Or, gai vermeers. Hebr. corners

† Hebr. a spirit of peruerse sities.

† Hebr. the lip. ‖ Or, of the Sunne.

IN the yere that Tartan came to Ashdod (when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him) and fought against Ashdod, and tooke it:

†Heb. by the hand of Isaiah.

2 At the same time spake the LORD †by Isaiah the sonne of Amoz, saying, Goe and loose the sackcloth from off thy loines, and put off thy shooe from thy foot: and he didso, walking naked, and bare foot.

3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and bare-foot three yeeres, *for* a signe and wonder vpon Egypt, and vpon Ethiopia;

†Heb. the captivity of Egypt.

4 So shall the King of Assyria lead away the † Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and bare-foot, even with their buttocks vncovered, to the † shame of Egypt.

†Heb. nakednes.

5 And they shalbe afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory.

‖Or, Countrey.

6 And the Inhabitant of this ‖ Isle shall say in that day, Behold, such *is* our expectation whither we flee for helpe, to be deliuered from the King of Assyria: and how shall we escape?

CHAP. XXI.

1 The Prophet bewailing the captivity of his people, seeth in a vision the fall of Babylon by the Medes and Persians. 11 Edom scorning the Prophet, is moued to repentance. 13 The sest time of Arabias calamity.

THE burden of the desart of the sea. As whirlewinds in the South passe thorow, *so* it commeth from the desart from a terrible land.

2 A † grieuous vision is declared vnto me; The treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth: Goe vp, O Elam; Besiege, O Media: all the sighing thereof haue I made to cease.

†Heb. hard.

3 Therefore are my loynes filled with paine, pangs haue taken hold vpon me, as the pangs of a woman that trauaileth: I was bowed downe at the hearing *of it*, I was dismayed at the seeing *of it*.

4 ‖ My heart panted, fearefulnesse affrighted me: the night of my pleasure hath he † turned into feare vnto me.

‖Or, my mind wandered †Heb. put.

5 Prepare the table, watch in the watch tower, eat, drinke: arise ye princes, *and* anoint the shield.

6 For thus hath the Lord said vnto me, Goe set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth.

7 And he sawa charet *with* a couple of horsemen a charet of asses, *and* a charet of camels: and hee hearkened diligently with much heed.

8 And ‖ he cryed, A lyon: my lord, I stand continually vpon the * watch-tower in the day time, and I am set in my ward ‖ whole nights.

‖Or, cryed as a lyon. *Abac.2.1.

9 And behold, here commeth a charet of men, *with* a couple of horsemen: and hee answered and said, *Babylon is fallen, is fallen, and all the grauen images of her gods he hath broken vnto ȳ ground.

‖Or, euery night. *Ier.51.8. Reu. 14.8. & 18.2.

10 O my threshing, and the † corne of my floore: that which I haue heard of the LORD of hostes the God of Israel, haue I declared vnto you.

†Heb. sonne.

11 ¶ The burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? watchman, what of the night?

12 The watchman said; The morning commeth, and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: returne, come.

13 ¶ The burden vpon Arabia. In the forrest in Arabia shall ye lodge, O yee trauailing companies of Dedanim.

‖Or, bring ye.

14 The Inhabitants of the land of Tema ‖ brought water vnto him that was thirstie, they preuented with their bread him that fled.

‖ Or, for feare. Heb. from the face.

15 For they fled from the swords, ‖ from the drawne sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grieuousnesse of warre.

16 For thus hath the Lord said vnto me, Within a yeere, according to the yeeres of an hireling, and all the glory of Kedar shall fail.

17 And the residue of the number of † archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar, shall be diminished, for the LORD God of Israel hath spoken *it*.

†Heb. bowes.

CHAP. XXII.

1 The Prophet lamenteth the inuasion of Iury by the Persians. 8 He reproueth their vnmeet welcome and worldly ioy. 15 He pronounceth Shebnah deprination: 20 and Eliakim aduancing the Kingdome of Christ, his substitution.

THE burden of the vally of vision. What ayleth thee now, that thou art wholl gone vp to the house tops?

2 Thou that art full of stirres, a tumultuous citty, a ioyous city: thy slaine men are not slaine with the sword, nor dead in battell.

3 All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound † by the archers: all that are found in thee, are bound together, *which haue* fled from farre.

†Heb. by the archers.

4 Therefore said I, * Look away from me, I will weepe bitterly, labour not to comfort me, because of the spoiling of the daughter of my people.

5 For it *is* a day of trouble, and of treading downe, and of perplexity, by the Lord God of hostes in the valley of vision, breaking downe the wall, and of crying to the mountaines.

6 And Elam bare the quiuer with chariots of men *and* horsemen, and Kir † vncouered the shield.

7 And it shall come to passe that thy † goodly valleys shall bee full of charets, and the horsemen shall set themselues in array ‖ at the gate.

8 ¶ And hee discouered the couering of Iudah, and thou didst looke in that day to the armour of the house of the forrest.

9 Yee haue seene also the breaches of the citty of Dauid, that they are many, and yee gathered together the waters of the lower poole.

10 And yee haue numbred the houses of Ierusalem, and the houses haue ye broken down to fortifie the wall.

11 Ye made also a ditch betweene the two walls for the water of the old poole: but yee haue not looked vnto the maker thereof, neither had respect vnto him that fashioned it long ago.

12 And in that day did the Lord GOD of hostes call to weeping and to mourning, and to baldnesse, and to girding with sackcloth.

13 And behold, ioy and gladnesse, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: * let vs eat and drinke for to morrow we shall die.

14 And it was reuealed in mine eares by the LORD of hostes; surely this iniquity shall not be purged from you till ye die, saith the Lord GOD of hostes.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD of hostes, Go get thee vnto this treasurer, *euen* vnto Shebna, which is ouer the house, *and say*,

16 What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, as he that heweth him out a sepulchre on high, *and* that graueth an habitation for himselfe in a rocke?

17 Behold, ‖ the LORD will carry thee away with a † mighty captiuity, *and* will surely couer thee.

18 He will surely violently turne and toste thee *like* a ball into a † large countrey: there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory *shall be* the shame of thy lords house.

19 And I will driue thee from thy ſtation, and from thy ſtate ſhall he pull thee downe.

20 ¶ And it ſhall come to paſſe in that day, that I will call my ſeruant Eliakim the ſon of Hilkiah:

21 And I will clothe him with thy robe, and ſtrengthen him with thy girdle, and I will commit thy gouernement into his hand, and he ſhall be a father to the inhabitants of Ieruſalem, and to the houſe of Iudah.

22 And the key of the houſe of Dauid will I lay vpon his ſhoulder: ſo he ſhall *open, and none ſhall ſhut, and he ſhall ſhut, and none ſhall open.

23 And I will faſten him as a naile in a ſure place, and he ſhall be for a glorious throne to his fathers houſe.

24 And they ſhall hang vpon him all the glory of his fathers houſe, the off-ſpring and the iſſue, all veſſels of ſmall quantity: from the veſſels of cups, euen to all the ‖ veſſels of flagons.

25 In that day, ſaith the LORD of hoſts, ſhall the nailе that is faſtened in the ſure place be remoued, and be cut downe, and fall: and the burden that was vpon it, ſhall be cut off: for the LORD hath ſpoken it.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 The miſerable ouerthrow of Tyre: 7 Their vnexpected returne.

THe burthen of Tyre. Howle ye ſhips of Tarſhiſh, for it is laid waſte, ſo that there is no houſe, no entring in: from the land of Chittim it is reuealed to them.

2 Be ſtill ye inhabitants of the Ile, thou whom the merchants of Zidon that paſſe ouer the ſea, haue replenished.

3 And by great waters the ſeede of Sihor, the harueſt of the riuer is her reuenue, and ſhe is a mart of nations.

4 Be thou aſhamed, O Zidon: for the ſea hath ſpoken, *euen* the ſtrength of the ſea, ſaying, I trauel not, nor bring forth children, neither doe I nourſh vp young men, *nor* bring vp virgines.

5 As at the report concerning Egypt, ſo ſhall they be ſorely pained at the report of Tyre.

6 Paſſe ye ouer to Tarſhiſh, howle ye inhabitants of the Ile.

7 Is this your ioyous *city*, whoſe antiquity is of ancient dayes? her owne feet ſhall carry her † afar off to ſoiourne.

8 Who hath taken this counſell againſt Tyre, the crowning *city*, whoſe merchants are Princes, whoſe traffiquers are the honourable of the earth?

9 The LORD of hoſts hath purpoſed it, †to ſtaine the pride of all glory, *and* to bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth.

10 Paſſe thorow thy land as a riuer, O daughter of Tarſhiſh; *there is* no more † ſtrength.

11 He ſtretched out his hand ouer the Sea, he ſhooke the kingdomes: the LORD hath giuen a commandement *againſt* the merchant *city*, to deſtroy the ‖ ſtrong holds thereof.

12 And he ſaid, Thou ſhalt no more reioyce, O thou oppreſſed virgine, daughter of Zidon: ariſe, paſſe ouer to Chittim, there alſo ſhalt thou haue no reſt.

13 Behold the land of the Caldeans: this people was not *till* the Aſſyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderneſſe: they ſet vp the towres thereof, they raiſed vp the palaces thereof, *and* he brought it to ruine.

14 Howle ye ſhips of Tarſhiſh: for your ſtrength is laid waſte.

15 And it ſhall come to paſſe in that day, that Tyre ſhalbe forgotten ſeuenty yeeres, according to the dayes of one King: after the end of ſeuenty yeeres † ſhall Tyre ſing as an harlot.

16 Take an harpe, goe about the city, thou harlot that haſt beene forgotten, make ſweet melody, ſing many ſongs, that thou mayeſt be remembred.

17 ¶ And it ſhall come to paſſe after the end of ſeuenty yeeres, that the LORD will viſite Tyre, and ſhe ſhall turne to her hire, and ſhall commit fornication with all the kingdomes of the world, vpon the face of the earth.

18 And her merchandiſe, and her hire ſhalbe holineſſe to the LORD: it ſhall not be treaſured, nor laid vp: for her merchandiſe ſhall be for them that dwell before the LORD to eat ſufficiently, and for † durable clothing.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 The doleſull iudgements of God vpon the land. 13 A remnant ſhall ioyfully praiſe him. 16 God in his iudgements ſhall aduance his kingdome.

BEhold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waſte, and † turneth it vpſide downe, and ſcatereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

2 And it ſhall be as with the people, ſo with the ‖* Prieſt, as with the ſeruant, ſo with his maſter, as with the maid, ſo with her miſtris, as with the buyer, ſo with the ſeller, as with the lender ſo with the borrower, as with the taker of vſury, ſo with the giuer of vſury to him.

3 The land ſhall be vtterly emptied, and vtterly ſpoiled: for the LORD hath ſpoken this word.

4 The earth mourneth *and* fadeth away, the world languiſheth *and* fadeth away, the † haughty people of the earth doe languiſh.

5 The earth alſo is defiled vnder the inhabitants thereof, becauſe they haue tranſgreſſed the Lawes, changed the ordinance, broken the euerlaſting Couenant.

6 Therefore hath the curſe deuoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are deſolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

7 The new wine mourneth, the vine languiſheth, all the merry hearted doe ſigh.

8 The mirth *of tabrets ceaſeth, the noyſe of them that reioyce endeth, the ioy of the harpe ceaſeth.

9 They ſhall not drinke wine with a ſong: ſtrong drinke ſhall be bitter to them that drinke it.

10 The city of confuſion is broken downe: euery houſe is ſhut vp that no man may come in.

11 There is a crying for wine in the ſtreetes, all ioy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone.

12 In the city is left deſolation, and the gate is ſmitten with deſtruction.

13 ¶ When thus it ſhall bee in the midſt of the land, among the people: *there ſhall be* as the ſhaking of an olive tree, *and* as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.

14 They ſhall lift vp their voyce, they ſhall ſing for the maieſty of the LORD, they ſhall cry aloud from the Sea.

15 Wherefore glorifie ye the LORD in the fires, *euen* the Name of the LORD God of Iſrael in the Iſles of the ſea.

16 ¶ From the † vttermoſt part of the earth haue we heard ſongs: *euen* glory to the righteous: but I ſaid, my leanneſſe, my leanneſſe, woe vnto me, the treacherous dealers haue dealt treacherouſly, yea the treacherous dealers haue dealt very treacherouſly.

17 Feare, and the pit, and the ſnare *are* vpon thee O inhabitant of the earth.

18 And it ſhall come to paſſe, *that* he who fleeth

* Heb. it ſhalbe vnto Tyre as the ſong of an harlot.

† Heb. olde.

† Heb. peruerteth the face thereof ‖ Or, prince. * Hoſe. 4.9.

† Heb. the height of the people

* Ier. 7.34 and. 16.9 & 25. 10. eze. 26. 13 hoſ. 2. 11.

† Heb. valleyes.

† Hebr. wing.

† Hebr. leanneſſe to me, or my ſecret to me.

Ierem. 48.44. † Hebr. visite vpon.

from the noise of the snare, shall fall into the * pit, and he that commeth vp out of the middest of the pit, shall be taken in the snare: for the windowes from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth doe shake.

† Hebr. with the gathering of prisoners.

19 The earth is vtterly broken downe, the earth is cleane dissolued, the earth is moued exceedingly.

Or, dungeon.

20 The earth shall reele to and fro, like a drunkard, and shall be remoued like a cottage, and the transgression thereof shall be heauy vpon it, and it shall fall, and not rise againe.

Or, found wanting.

21 And it shall come to passe in that day, that the LORD shall † punish the hoste of the high ones that are on high, & the kings of the earth vpon the earth.

* Chap. 33.10. Ezek. 32.7 Ioel 2.31 and 3.15.

22 And they shalbe gathered together as prisoners are gathered in the † pit, and shalbe shut vp in the prison, and after many dayes shall they be † visited,

Or, there shall be glory before the ancients.

23 Then the * Moone shall be confounded, and the Sun ashamed, when the LORD of hostes shall reigne in mount Zion, and in Ierusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.

CHAP. XXV.

1 The Prophet praiseth God for his iudgements, 6 for his saning benefits, 9 and for his vnknowen saluation.

O LORD, thou art my God, I will exalt thee: I will praise thy Name, for thou hast done wonderfull things, thy counsels of old are faithfulnesse and truth.

2 For thou hast made of a city, an heape, of a defenced city, a ruine: a palace of strangers to be no city, it shall neuer be built.

3 Therefore shall the strong people glorifie thee, the city of the terrible nations shall feare thee.

4 For thou hast beene a strength to the poore, a strength to the needy in his distresse, a refuge from the storme, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storme against the wall.

5 Thou shalt bring downe the noise of strangers as the heat in a dry place, euen the heate with the shadow of a cloud, the branch of the terrible ones shall be brought low.

6 ¶ And in this mountaine shall the LORD of hosts make vnto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.

† Hebr. swallow vp.

7 And he will † destroy in this mountaine the face of the couering † cast ouer all people, and the vaile that is spread ouer all nations.

† Hebr. couered.

8 He will * swallow vp death in victory, and the Lord GOD will * wipe away teares from off all faces, and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it.

* 1. Cor. 15.55. * Reuel. 7.17 & 21.4.

9 ¶ And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God, we haue waited for him, and he will saue vs: This is the LORD, we haue waited for him, we will be glad, and reioyce in his saluation.

10 For in this mountaine shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be † troden down vnder him, euen as straw is † trodden down for ‖ dunghill.

Or, threshed. ‖ Or, threshed in Madmenah.

11 And he shall spread foorth his hands in the mids of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth his hands to swim: and he shall bring downe their pride together, with the spoile of their hands.

12 And the fortresse of the high fort of thy wals shall he bring downe, lay low, and bring to the ground, euen to the dust.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 A song inciting to confidence in God 5 for his iudgements, 12 and for his fauour to his people, 20 An exhortation to wait on God.

IN that day shall this song be sung in the land of Iudah; We haue a strong citie, saluation will God appoint for walls and bulwarkes.

2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the † truth may enter in.

† Hebr. truths.

3 Thou wilt keepe him in † perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusteth in thee.

4 Trust ye in the LORD for euer: for in the LORD IEHOVAH is † euerlasting strength.

† Hebr. strengths of ages.

5 ¶ For he bringeth downe them that dwell on high, the lofty citie he layeth low, he layeth it low, euen to the ground, he bringeth it euen to the dust.

6 The foot shall treade it downe, euen the feet of the poore, and the steps of the needy.

7 The way of the iust is vprightnesse, thou most vpright, doest weigh the path of the iust.

8 Yea, in the way of thy iudgements, O LORD, haue we waited for thee, the desire of our soule is to thy Name, and to the remembrance of thee.

9 With my soule haue I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seeke thee early: for when thy iudgements are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learne righteousnesse.

10 Let fauour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learne righteousnesse: in the land of vprightnesse will he deale vniustly, and will not behold the maiestie of the LORD.

11 LORD, when thy hand is lifted vp, they will not see: but they shall see, and be ashamed for their enuie at the people, yea, the fire deuour thine enemies shall deuoure them.

12 ¶ LORD, thou wilt ordaine peace for vs: for thou also hast wrought all our workes for vs.

13 O LORD our God, other lords beside thee haue had dominion ouer vs: but by thee only will we make mention of thy Name.

14 They are dead, they shall not liue: they are deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.

15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, thou hast increased the nation, thou art glorified: thou hast remoued it far, vnto all the ends of the earth.

16 LORD, in trouble haue they visited thee, they powred out a † prayer when thy chastening was vpon them.

† Hebr. whisper.

17 Like as a woman with child, that draweth neere the time of her deliuery, is in paine, and crieth out in her pangs, so haue we been before thee, O LORD.

18 We haue beene with child, we haue been in paine, we haue as it were brought forth wind: we haue not wrought any deliuerance in the earth, neither haue the inhabitants of the world fallen.

19 Thy dead men shall liue, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbes, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

20 ¶ Come my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doores about thee: hide thy selfe as it were for a little moment, vntill the indignation be ouer past.

21 For behold, the LORD * commeth out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her † blood, and shall no more conceale her slaine.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 The care of God ouer his vineyard. 7 His chastisements differ from imagined ones. 12 The ouerthrow of Iewes and Gentiles.

IN that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword, shall punish Leuiathan † piercing

serpent, even Leviathan that crooked serpent, and he shall slay the dragon that is in the Sea.

2 In that day sing yee vnto her; A vineyard of red wine.

3 I the LORD doe keepe it: I will water it euery moment: least any hurt it, I will keepe it night and day.

4 Fury is not in me: who would set the briers and thornes against me in battell? I would goe through them, I would burne them together.

5 Or let him take hold of my strength, that hee may make peace with me, and he shall make peace with me.

6 He shall cause them that come of Iacob, to take roote: Israel shall blossome and budde, and fill the face of the world with fruit.

7 ¶ Hath he smitten him, † as he smote those that smote him? or is he slaine according to the slaughter of them that are slaine by him?

8 In measure ‖ when it shooteth forth, thou wilt debate with it: he stayeth his rough wind in the day of the East wind.

9 By this therefore shall the iniquity of Iacob be purged, and this is all the fruit, to take away his sinne; when he maketh all the stones of the Altar as chalke stones, that are beaten in pieces, the groues and images shall not stand vp.

10 Yet the defenced city shall be desolate, and habitation forsaken, and left like a wildernesse: there shall the calfe feed, and there shall he lie downe, and consume the branches thereof.

11 When the boughes thereof are withered, they shall be broken off: the women come and set them on fire: for it is a people of no vnderstanding: therefore he that made them will not haue mercy on them, and he that fashioned them, will shew them no fauour.

12 ¶ And it shall come to passe in that day, that the LORD shall beat off from the channell of the riuer vnto the streame of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.

13 And it shall come to passe in that day that the great trumpet shall be blowne, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, & shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Ierusalem.

CHAP. XXVIII.

The Prophet threatneth Ephraim for their pride, drunkennesse. 5 These shall be auaunced with the remnant of Christ. 7 He rebuketh their errour, 9 their vnreasonablenesse, 14 and their security. 16 Christ the sure foundation is promised. 18 Their security shall be tryed. 23 They are incited to the consideration of Gods discreet prouidence.

WOe to the crowne of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flowre, which are on the head of the fat valleyes of them that are † ouercome with wine.

2 Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of haile, and a destroying storme, as a flood of mighty waters ouerflowing, shall cast downe to the earth with the hand.

3 The crowne of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim shall be troden † vnder feet.

4 And the glorious beauty which is on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flowre: and as the hasty fruit before the summer: which when he that looketh vpon it, seeth it, while it is yet in his hand he eateth it vp.

5 ¶ In that day shall the LORD of hosts bee for a crowne of glory, and for a diademe of beauty vnto the residue of his people,

6 And for a spirit of iudgement to him that sitteth in iudgement, and for strength to them that turne the battell to the gate.

7 ¶ But they also haue erred through wine, and through strong drinke are out of the way: the Priest and the Prophet haue erred through strong drinke, they are swallowed vp of wine: they are out of the way through strong drinke, they erre in vision, they stumble in Iudgement.

8 For all tables are full of vomit and filthines, so that there is no place cleane.

9 ¶ Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom † Hebr. shall he make to vnderstand doctrine? them that the heare are weaned from the milke, and drawne from the ring. breasts.

10 For precept must be vpon precept, precept ‖ Or, hath vpon precept; line vpon line, line vpon line, here a little, and there a little.

11 For with † stammering lippes, and another tongue ‖ will he speake to this people. † Hebr. stammerings of

12 To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not heare. * 1. Cor. 14. 21.

13 But the word of the LORD was vnto them precept vpon precept, precept vpon precept, line vpon line, line vpon line, here a little, and there a little: that they might goe and fall backward, and be broken, and snared and taken. ‖ Or, he hath spoken.

14 ¶ Wherefore heare the word of the LORD ye scornefull men that rule this people which is in Ierusalem.

15 Because ye haue said, Wee haue made a couenant with death, and with hell are wee at agreement, when the ouerflowing scourge shall passe through, it shall not come vnto vs: for we haue made lies our refuge, and vnder falshood haue we hid our selues:

16 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation, * a stone, a tryed stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that beleeueth shall not make haste. * Psal. 118. 22. Matt. 21. 42. Acts 4. 11. 1. Pet. 2. 6. & 7. Rom. 9. 33. & 10. 11. † Hebr. treading down to vs.

17 Iudgement also will I lay to the line, and righteousnesse to the plummet: and the haile shall sweepe away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall ouerflow the hiding place.

18 ¶ And your couenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the ouerflowing scourge shall passe through, then ye shall † be troden downe by it. ‖ Or, when he shall make you to vnderstand doctrine.

19 From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it passe ouer, by day and by night, and it shall be a vexation, onely ‖ to vnderstand the report. * 1. Sam. 5. 20. Iohn. 14. 3. * Iosh. 10. 12. Isai. 12. 2. Isai. 9. 25. 1. Chron. 14. 16. Mark. 16. 20. Luke. 24. 28. ‖ Or, make to vnderstand the report.

20 For the bedde is shorter, then that a man can stretch himselfe on it: and the couering narrower then that he can wrap himselfe in it.

21 For the LORD shall rise vp as in mount * Perazim: he shall be wroth as in the valley of * Gibeon, that he may doe his worke, his strange worke, and bring to passe his act, his strange act. * 2. Sam. 5. 20. 1. Chron. 14. 11. * Iosh. 10. 10. 2. Sam. 5. 25. 1. Chron. 14. 16. Isai. 10. 26. † Hebr. place. ‖ Or, he teacheth him.

22 Now therefore be ye not mockers, least your bands be made strong: for I haue heard from the Lord GOD of hosts a consumption, euen determined vpon the whole earth.

23 ¶ Giue yee eares, and heare my voyce, hearken, and heare my speech.

24 Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and breake the clods of his ground?

25 When hee hath made plaine the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in the ‖ principall wheat, and the appointed barly, and the † rie in their † place?

‖ Or, and he chastiseth it in such sort, as God doth teach him.

26 ¶ For his God doth instruct him to discretion, *and* doth teach him.

27 For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheele turned about vpon the cummin: but the fitches are beaten out with a staffe, and the cummin with a rod.

28 Bread *corne* is bruised; because hee will not euer be threshing it, nor breake it with the wheele of his cart, nor bruise it with horsemen.

29 This also commeth foorth from the LORD of hosts, *which* is wonderfull in counsell, *and* excellent in working.

CHAP. XXIX.

1 Gods heauie iudgement vpon Ierusalem, 7 The vnsatiablenesse of her enemies. 9 Their senselesnesse. 13 and deepe hypocrisie of the Iewes. 18 A promise of sanctification to the godly.

WOe to Ariel, to Ariel the city *where* Dauid dwelt: adde yee yeere to yeere; let them ‖ kill sacrifices.

2 Yet I will distresse Ariel, & there shall be heauinesse and sorrow, and it shall be vnto me as Ariel.

3 And I will campe against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

‖ Or, ô Ariel, that is, the lyon of God: or of the city. † Hebr. cut off the heads.

4 And thou shalt be brought downe, *and* shalt speake out of the ground, and thy speech shall bee low out of the dust, and thy voyce shalbe as of one that hath a familiar spirit out of the ground; and thy speech shall † whisper out of the dust.

† Hebr. peep or chirpe.

5 Moreouer, the multitude of thy strangers shal bee like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones shall be as chaffe that passeth away, yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.

6 Thou shalt be visited of ‖ LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storme & tempest, and the flame of deuouring fire.

7 ¶ And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, euen all that fight against her and her munition, and that distresse her, shall be as a dreame of a night vision.

8 It shall euen bee as when a hungry man dreameth, and behold he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soule is empty: or when a thirsty man dreameth, and behold he drinketh; but he awaketh, and behold, he is faint, and his soule hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

‖ Or, take your pleasure and ryot.

9 ¶ Stay your selues and wonder, ‖ cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with wine, they stagger, but not with strong drinke.

10 For the LORD hath powred out vpon you the spirit of deepe sleepe, and hath closed your eyes, the Prophets and your † Rulers, the Seers hath he couered.

† Hebr. heads.

11 And the vision of all is become vnto you as the words of a booke that is sealed, which men deliuer to one that is learned, saying, Reade this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot, for it *is* sealed.

‖ Or, letter

12 And the booke is deliuered to him that is not learned, saying, Reade this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned.

13 ¶ Wherefore the Lord said, * For as much as this people draw neere me with their mouth, and with their lips doe honour me, but haue removed their heart far from me, and their feare towards me is taught by the precept of men:

* Matth. 15.8. mar. 7.6.

14 Therefore behold, † I will proceede to doe a marueilous worke among this people, *euen* a marueilous worke and a wonder; * for the wisedome of their wise men shall perish, and the vnderstanding of their prudent men shall be hid.

† Hebr. I will adde. * Ier. 49.7 obad. v. 8. 1 cor. 1.19

15 Woe vnto them that *seeke* deepe to hide their counsell from the LORD, and their workes are in the darke, and they say, * Who seeth vs? and who knoweth vs?

16 Surely your turning of things vpside downe, shall be esteemed as the potters clay: for shall the * worke say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed, say of him that framed it, He had no vnderstanding?

17 *Is* it not a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitfull field, and the fruitfull field shall be esteemed as a forrest?

18 ¶ And in that day shall the deafe heare the words of the booke, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkenes.

19 The meeke also † shall increase their ioy in the LORD, and the poore among men shall reioyce in the holy One of Israel.

20 For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch to doe iniquity are cut off.

21 That make a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproueth in the gate, and turne aside the iust for a thing of nought.

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD, who redeemed Abraham concerning the house of Iacob: Iacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now waxe pale.

23 But when he seeth his children the worke of mine hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctifie my Name, and sanctifie the holy One of Iacob, and shall feare the God of Israel.

24 They also that erred in spirit, † shall come to vnderstanding, and they that murmured shall learne doctrine.

CHAP. XXX.

1 The Prophet threatneth the people for their confidence in Egypt, and contempt of Gods word. 8 Gods mercies towards his Church. 27 Gods wrath and the peoples ioy in the destruction of Assyria.

WOe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsell, but not of me: and that couer with a couering, but not of my Spirit, that they may adde sin to sin:

2 That walke to goe downe into Egypt, and haue not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselues in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt.

3 Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.

4 For his Princes were at Zoan, and his Ambassadours came to Hanes.

5 They were all ashamed of a people, that could not profit them, nor be an helpe nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach.

6 The burden of the beasts of the South: into the land of trouble & anguish, from whence come the yong & old lyons, the viper, and fiery flying serpent, they will carry their riches vpon the shoulders of yong asses, and their treasures vpon the bunches of cameles, to a people *that* shall not profit them.

7 For the Egyptians shall † helpe in vaine, and to no purpose: therefore haue I cried ‖ concerning this: their strength is to sit still.

8 ¶ Now goe, write it before them in a table, & note it in a booke, that it may be for † the time to come for euer and euer:

9 That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children *that* will not heare the Law of the LORD:

10 Which say to the Seers, See not; and to the Prophets, Prophesie not vnto vs right things, speake

ſpeake vnto vs ſmoothe things, propheſie deceits.

11 Get yee out of the way, turne aſide out of the path: cauſe the holy One of Iſrael to ceaſe from before vs.

12 Wherefore, thus ſaith the holy One of Iſrael: Becauſe ye deſpiſe this word, and truſt in† oppreſſion and peruerſeneſſe and ſtay thereon:

13 Therefore this iniquitie ſhall be to you as a breach ready to fall, ſwelling out in a high wall, whoſe breaking commeth ſuddenly at an inſtant.

14 And he ſhall breake it as the breaking of the potters † veſſell, that is broken in pieces, he ſhall not ſpare: ſo that there ſhall not be found in the burning of it a ſheard to take fire from the hearth, or to take water *withall* out of the pit.

15 For thus ſaith the Lord GOD, the holy One of Iſrael, In returning and reſt ſhall yee be ſaued, in quietneſſe and in confidence ſhalbe your ſtrength, and ye would not.

16 But ye ſaid, No, for we will flee vpon horſes; therefore ſhall yee flee. And we will ride vpon the ſwift, therefore ſhall they that purſue you be ſwift.

17 One thouſand *ſhall flee* at the rebuke of one: at the rebuke of fiue ſhall ye flee: till ye be left as a beacon vpon the top of a mountaine, and as an enſigne on an hill.

18 ¶ And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious vnto you, and therefore will hee be exalted, that he may haue mercy vpon you: for the LORD is a God of iudgement. * Bleſſed *are* all they that wait for him.

19 For the people ſhall dwell in Zion at Ieruſalem: thou ſhalt weepe no more: hee will be very gracious vnto thee at the voyce of thy cry; when he ſhall heare it, he will anſwere thee.

20 And *though* the Lord giue you the bread of aduerſity, and the water of ‖ affliction, yet ſhall not thy teachers be remooued into a corner any more: but thine eyes ſhall ſee thy teachers.

21 And thine eares ſhall heare a word behind thee, ſaying, This is the way, walke ye in it, when ye turne to the right hand, & when ye turne to ſ left.

22 Ye ſhall defile alſo the couering of † thy grauen images of ſiluer, and the ornament of thy molten images of gold: thou ſhalt † caſt them away as a menſtruous cloth, thou ſhalt ſay vnto it, Get thee hence.

23 Then ſhall hee giue the raine of thy ſeed that thou ſhalt ſow the ground withall: & bread of the increaſe of the earth, & it ſhalbe fat and plenteous: in that day ſhall thy cattell feed in large paſtures.

24 The oxen likewiſe and the young aſſes that eare the ground, ſhall eate ‖ cleane prouender which is winnowed with the ſhouell, and with the fan.

25 And there ſhalbe vpon euery high mountaine, and vpon euery † high hill, riuers *and* ſtreames of waters, in the day of the great ſlaughter, when the towers fall.

26 Moreouer, the light of the Moone ſhall be as the light of the Sunne, and the light of the Sunne ſhall be ſeuen fold, as the light of ſeuen dayes, in the day that the LORD bindeth vp the breach of his people, and healeth the ſtroke of their wound.

27 ¶ Behold, the Name of the LORD commeth from far, burning with his anger, ‖ and the burden thereof is heauy: his lips are full of indignation, and his tongue as deuouring fire.

28 And his breath as an ouerflowing ſtreame, ſhall reach to the midſt of the necke, to ſift the nations with the ſieue of vanity: and *there ſhalbe* a bridle in the iawes of the people, cauſing *them* to erre.

29 Ye ſhall haue a ſong as in the night, *when* a holy ſolemnity is kept, and gladneſſe of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into ſ mountaine of the LORD, to the † mightie One of Iſrael.

30 And the LORD ſhall cauſe † his glorious voyce to be heard, and ſhall ſhew the lighting downe of his arme, with the indignation of *his* anger, and with the flame of a deuouring fire, *with* ſcattering, and tempeſt, and haile-ſtones.

31 For through the voyce of the LORD ſhall the Aſſyrian be beaten downe, *which* ſmote with a rod.

32 And † in euery place where the grounded ſtaffe ſhall paſſe, which the LORD ſhall † lay vpon him, it ſhalbe with tabrets and harpes: and in battels of ſhaking will he fight ‖ with it.

33 For Tophet is ordained † of old; yea, for the king it is prepared, he hath made it deepe *and* large: the pile thereof *is* fire and much wood, the breath of ſ LORD like a ſtreame of brimſtone doth kindle it.

CHAP. XXXI.

1 The Prophet ſheweth the curſed folly in truſting to Egypt, and forſaking of God: 6 He exhorteth to conuerſion. 8 He ſheweth the fall of Aſſyria

WOe to them that goe downe to Egypt for helpe, and ſtay on horſes, and truſt in charets, becauſe they *are* many, and in horſemen, becauſe they are very ſtrong: but they looke not vnto the holy One of Iſrael, neither ſeeke the LORD.

2 Yet hee alſo *is* wiſe, and will bring euill, and will not † call backe his words: but will ariſe againſt the houſe of the euill doers, and againſt the helpe of them that worke iniquity.

3 Now the Egyptians *are* men and not God, and their horſes fleſh, and not ſpirit: when the LORD ſhall ſtretch out his hand, both he that helpeth ſhall fall, and he that is holpen ſhall fall downe, and they all ſhall faile together.

4 For thus hath the LORD ſpoken vnto me; Like as the lyon, and the young lyon roaring on his prey, when a multitude of ſhepherds is called forth againſt him: he will not be afraid of their voyce, nor abaſe himſelfe for the ‖ noiſe of them: ſo ſhall the LORD of hoſtes come downe to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.

5 As birds flying, ſo will the LORD of hoſtes defend Ieruſalem, defending alſo, he will deliuer *it*, *and* paſſing ouer, he will preſerue *it*.

6 ¶ Turne ye vnto him, from whom the children of Iſrael haue deeply reuolted.

7 For in that day euery man ſhall * caſt away his idols of ſiluer, and † his idoles of gold, which your owne hands haue made vnto you for a ſinne.

8 ¶ Then ſhall the Aſſyrian fall with the ſword, not of a mighty man: & the ſword, not of a meane man ſhall deuoure him: but he ſhall flee ‖ from the ſword, and his young men ſhalbe ‖ diſcomfited.

9 And he ſhall paſſ ouer to † his ſtrong hold for feare, and his princes ſhalbe afraid of the enſigne, ſaith the LORD, whoſe fire *is* in Zion, and his furnace in Ieruſalem.

CHAP. XXXII.

1 The bleſſing of Chriſts kingdome. 9 Deſolation is foreſhewed. 15 Reformation is promiſed to ſucceed.

BEhold, a King ſhall reigne in righteouſneſſe, and Princes ſhall rule in iudgement.

2 And a man ſhalbe as an hiding place from the wind, and a couert from the tempeſt: as riuers of water in a dry place, as the ſhadow of a † great rocke in a weary land.

3 And the eyes of them that ſee, ſhall not be dim, and the eares of them that heare, ſhall hearken.

† Heb. rocke.
† Heb. glory of his voyce.
† Heb. ouerpaſſing of the rod founded.
† Hebr. cauſe to reſt vpon him.
|| Or, againſt them.
† Hebr. from ye ſter daſt.
† Hebr. remoue.
|| Or, multitude.
* Chap. 2.20.
† Heb. the idoles of his gold.
|| Or, for feare of the ſword.
|| Or, tributary: heb. for melting, or tribute.
|| Or, his ſtrength: heb. rocke ſhall paſſe away for feare.
† Heb. weu

† Heb. nasty. ‖ Or, elegantly.

4 The heart also of the † rash shall vnderstand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speake ‖ plainely.

5 The vile person shall be no more called liberall, nor the churle said to be bountifull.

6 For the vile person shall speake villany, and his heart will worke iniquity, to practise hypocrasie, and to vtter errour against the LORD, to make emptie the soule of the hungry, and he will cause the drinke of the thirstie to faile.

7 The instruments also of the churle *are* euill: he deuiseth wicked deuices, to destroy the poore with lying words, euen ‖ when the needy speaketh right.

‖ Or, when he speaketh against the poore in iudgement.

8 But the liberall deuiseth liberall things, and by liberall things shall he ‖ stand.

‖ Or, he established.

9 ¶ Rise vp yee women, that are at ease: heare my voice ye careleſſe daughters, giue eare to my speech.

† Hebr. dayes a boue a yeare.

10 Many † dayes and yeeres shall ye be troubled, ye careleſſe women: for the vintage shall faile, the gathering shall not come.

11 Tremble ye women, that are at ease: be troubled ye careleſſe ones, strip ye, and make ye bare, and gird *sackcloth* vpon your loines.

‖ Hebr. the fields of desire.

12 They shall lament for the teates, for † the pleasant fields, for the fruitfull vine.

‖ Or, turning vpon the.

13 Vpon the land of my people shall come vp thornes *and* briers; ‖ yea, vpon all the houses of ioy in the ioyous city.

‖ Or, cliffs & watch-towres.

14 Because the palaces shalbe forsaken, the multitude of the cities shall be left, the ‖ Forts and towres shall be for dennes for euer, a ioy of wilde asses, a pasture of flockes;

15 Vntill the spirit be powred vpon vs from on high, and the wildernesse bee a fruitfull field, and the fruitfull field be counted for a forrest.

* Chap. 29.17.

16 Then * iudgement shall dwell in the wildernes, and righteousnesse remaine in the fruitfull field.

17 And the worke of righteousnesse shalbe peace, and the effect of righteousnesse, quietnesse, and assurance for euer.

18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places:

19 When it shall haile, comming downe on the forrest, ‖ and the city shalbe low in a low place.

‖ Or, and the citie shall be vtterly abased.

20 Blessed *are ye* that sow beside all waters, that send forth *thither* the feet of the oxe and the asse.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 *Gods iudgements against the enemies of the Church.* 13 *The priuiledges of the godly.*

WOe to thee that spoilest, and thou *wast* not spoiled; and deceitest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee: when thou shalt cease to spoile, thou shalt be spoiled *and* when thou shalt make an end to deale treacherously they shall deale treacherously with thee.

2 O LORD, be gracious vnto vs; we haue waited for thee: be thou their arme euery morning, our saluation also in the time of trouble.

3 At the noise of the tumult the people fled: at the lifting vp of thy selfe ‖ nations were scattered.

‖ Heb. folnations.

4 And your spoile shall be gathered *like* the gathering of the caterpiller: as the running to and fro of Locusts shall he run vpon them.

5 The LORD is exalted: for hee dwelleth on high, he hath filled Zion with iudgement and righteousnesse.

6 And wisedome and knowledge shall bee the ſtabilitie of thy times, *and* strength of † saluation: the feare of the LORD is his treasure.

7 Behold, their ‖ valiant ones shall cry without: the Ambassadours of peace shall weepe bitterly.

8 The high wayes lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken the couenant, he hath despised the cities, he regardeth no man.

9 The earth mourneth and languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed, *and* hewed down: Sharon is like a wildernesse, and Bashan and Carmel shake off *their fruits*.

10 Now will I rise saith the LORD: now will I be exalted, now will I lift vp my selfe.

11 Ye shall conceiue chaffe, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath *as* fire shall deuour you.

12 And the people shalbe as the burnings of lime: *as* thornes cut vp shall they be burnt in the fire.

13 ¶ Heare ye that are farre off, what I haue done; and ye that are neere, acknowledge my might.

14 The sinners in Zion are afraid, fearefulnesse hath surprized the hypocrites: who among vs shall dwell with the deuouring fire? who among vs shall dwell with euerlasting burnings?

15 He that * walketh † righteously, and speaketh vprightly; he that despiseth the gaine of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his eares from hearing of † blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing euill;

16 He shall dwell on † high: his place of defence *shall be* the munitions of rockes: bread shall be giuen him, his waters *shall be* sure.

17 Thine eyes shall see the King in his beauty: they shall behold † the land that is very farre off.

18 Thine heart shall meditate terrour: where is the † Scribe? where is he that weighed? where is he that counted the towres?

19 Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceiue; of a ‖ stammering tongue, that thou canst not vnderstand.

20 Looke vpon Zion the citie of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Ierusalem a quiet habitation, a Tabernacle that shall not be taken downe; not one of the stakes thereof shall euer be remoued, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

21 But there the glorious LORD will be vnto vs a place of † broad riuers and streames: wherein shall go no galley with oares, neither shall gallant ship passe thereby.

22 For the LORD is our Iudge, the LORD is our ‖ Lawgiuer, the LORD is our King, he will saue vs.

23 † Thy tackling is loosed, they could not well strengthen their mast, they could not spread the saile: then is the prey of a great spoile diuided, the lame take the prey.

24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sicke: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiuen their iniquitie.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

1 *The indignation of the Lord against the enemies of the Church.* 11 *The desolation of Edom.* 16 *The certainty of the prophecy.*

COme neere yee nations to heare, and hearken yee people: let the earth heare, and all that is therein, the world, and all things that come forth of it.

2 For the indignation of the LORD *is* vpon all nations, and *his* fury vpon all their armies: he hath vtterly destroyed them, he hath deliuered them to the slaughter.

3 Their slaine also shall be cast out, and their stinke shall come vp out of their carkeises, and the mountaines shalbe melted with their blood.

4 And all the hoste of heauen shall be dissolued,

the heauens shall bee * rolled together as a
ll: and all their hoste shall fall downe as the
fe falleth off from the vine, and as a * falling
ge from the iggetree.

6 For my sword shall be bathed in heauen: be-
d, it shall come downe vpon Idumea, and vpon
e people of my curse to iudgement.

7 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood,
s made fat with fatnesse, *and* with the blood of
bes, and goates, with the fat of the kidneyes of
rames: for the LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah,
d a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.

8 And the ‖ Vnicornes shall come downe with
m, and the bullockes with the bulles; and their
d shall be ‖ soaked with blood, and their dust
all be fat with fatnesse.

9 For it *is* the day of the LORDS * vengeance,
d the yeere of recompences for the controuersie
Zion.

10 And the streames thereof shall be turned into
tch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the
nd thereof shall become burning pitch.

11 It shall not be quenched night nor day, * the
oke thereof shall goe vp for euer, from generati-
n to generation, it shall lie waste, none shall
sse through it for euer and euer.

12 ¶ * The ‖ Cormorant and the Bitterne shall
ssesse it, the Owle also and the Rauen shall dwel
it, and he shall stretch out vpon it the line of
nfusion, and the stones of emptinesse.

13 They shal call the Nobles thereof to the king-
me, but none shall be there, and all her Princes
all be nothing.

14 And thornes shall come vp in her palaces, net-
es, and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it
all be an habitation of dragons, *and* a court for
ostes.

15 The wilde † beasts of the desart shall also
et with the † wilde beasts of the yland, and the
irie shall cry to his fellow, the ‖ Shrich-owle
all rest there, and find for her selfe a place
st.

16 There shall the great owle make her nest and
y, and hatch, and gather vnder her shadow: there
all the Vultures also be gathered euery one with
s mate.

17 ¶ Seeke ye out of the booke of the LORD, and
ad: no one of these shall faile, none shall want
s mate: for my mouth, it hath commanded, and
s spirit, it hath gathered them.

18 And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand
th diuided it vnto them by line: they shall pos-
ss it for euer: from generation to generation,
all they dwell therein.

CHAP. XXXV.

The ioyfull flourishing of Christs Kingdome. 3 *We ought are encouraged by the verses and pro-
phecies of the Gospel.*

1 ¶ He wilderneſſe and the solitary place shall be
glad for them: and the desart shall reioyce
d blossome as the rose.

2 It shall blossome abundantly, and reioyce euen
th ioy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall
e giuen vnto it, the excellency of Carmel and
aron: they shall see the glory of the LORD, and
e excellency of our God.

3 ¶ * Strengthen ye the weake hands, and con-
rme the feeble knees.

4 Say to them that are of † a fearfull heart,
e strong, feare not: behold, your God will come
th vengeance, *euen* God *with* a recompence, he
ill come and saue you.

5 Then the * eies of the blind shall be opened, *Matt.9.
and * the eares of the deafe shall be vnstopped. 27.&11.5

6 Then shal the * lame man leap as an Hart, and &21.22.
the tongue of the dumbe sing, for in ‖ wildernes &20.30.
shall * waters breake out, & streames in the desart. &21.14.

7 And the parched ground shall become a poole, Ioh.9.6,7.
and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habi- * Mat.11.
tation of dragons where each lay, *shall be* ‖ grasse, 5.marke
with reeds and rushes. 7.32.

8 And an high way *shall be* there, and a way, and * Mat.21.
it shalbe called, The way of holinesse, the vncleane 5. & 15.
shall not passe ouer it, ‖ but it shalbe for those: the 30.&21.
way faringmen, though fooles, shall not erre therein. 14 Iohn 5

9 No lyon shalbe there, nor any rauenous beast 8 9.acts 8
shall goe vp thereon, it shall not be found there: 3.2.and
but the redeemed shall walke *there*. 8.7.and

10 And the * ransomed of the LORD shall returne 14.8.
and come to Zion with songs, and euerlasting ioy * Mat.9.
vpon their heads: they shall obteyne ioy and glad 32 & 12.
nesse, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. 22.and
15 30.

* Ioh.7.38,39. ‖ *Or, a course for reeds, &c.* † *Or, for
be shall be with them.* * Chap.51.11.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 *Sennacherib inuadeth Iudah.* 4 *Rabshakeh sent by Sennacherib, by blasphemous perswasions solici-
teth the people to reuolt.* 22 *His words are told to
Hezekiah.*

NOw * it came to passe in the fourteenth yeere *2.Kings
of King Hezekiah, that Sennacherib King of 18 13.
Assyria, came vp against all the defenced cities of 2 chron.
Iudah, and tooke them. 32.1.

2 And the King of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from
Lachish to Ierusalem, vnto King Hezekiah, with a
great armie: and he stood by the conduit of the vp-
per poole, in the high way of the Fullers field.

3 Then came forth vnto him Eliakim, Hilkiahs
sonne, which *was* ouer the house, and Shebna the
‖ Scribe, and Ioah, Asaphs sonne the Recorder. *Or, Se-
cretary.*

4 ¶ And Rabshakeh said vnto them, Say ye now
to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great King, the King
of Assyria: What confidence is this wherein thou
trustest?

5 I say (*(*) (*)est thou) (but *they are but* † vaine
words) ‖ *I haue* counsell and strength for warre: † *Hebr.*
Now on whom doest thou trust, that thou rebellest *a word
against* me? *of lips.*

6 Loe, thou trustest in the * Staffe of this broken *Or, but
reed, on Egypt, wherevpon if a man leane, it will gee *counsell &
into his hand, and pierce it: so is Pharaoh King of *strength
Egypt, to all that trust in him. are for
the warre.*

7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD *Ezeke.
our God: *Is it* not he whose high places and whose * Ezeke. 29 6.7.
Altars Hezekiah hath taken away, & said to Iudah, & to Ierusalem, Ye shall worship before this Altar?

8 Now therefore giue ‖ pledges, I pray thee, to *Or,
my master the King of Assyria, and I will giue thee *hostages.*
two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to
set riders vpon them.

9 How then wilt thou turne away the face of
one Captaine of the least of my masters seruants,
and put thy trust on Egypt, for charets and for
horsemen?

10 And am I now come vp without the LORD
against this land to destroy it? The LORD said vn-
to me, Goe vp against this land and destroy it.

11 ¶ Then said Eliakim, and Shebna, and Ioah,
vnto Rabshakeh, Speake I pray thee, vnto thy ser-
uants in the Syrian language, for wee vnderstand
it: and speake not vnto vs in the Iewes language, in
the eares of the people that *are* on the wall.

12 ¶ But

12 ¶ But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speake these words? hath he not *sent me* to the men that sit vpon the wall, that they may eat their owne dung, and drinke their owne pisse with you?

13 Then Rabshakeh stood and cryed with a loud voice in the Iewes language, and said, Heare ye the words of the great King, the King of Assyria.

14 Thus saith the King; Let not Hezekiah deceiue you, for he shall not be able to deliuer you.

15 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliuer vs: this city shall not be deliuered into the hand of the King of Assyria.

16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the King of Assyria, ‖Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me, and eat ye euery one of his vine, and euery one of his figtree, and drinke ye euery one the waters of his owne cisterne?

‖Or, seeke my fauor by a present. Heb. make with me a blessing.

17 Vntill I come and take you away to a land like your owne land, a land of corne and wine, a land of bread and vineyards.

18 *Beware* least Hezekiah perswade you, saying, The LORD will deliuer vs. Hath any of the gods of the nations deliuered his land out of the hand of the King of Assyria?

19 Where *are* the gods of Hamath and Arphad? where *are* the gods of Sepharuaim? and haue they deliuered Samaria out of my hand?

20 Who *are they* amongst all the gods of these lands, that haue deliuered their land out of my hand, that the LORD should deliuer Ierusalem out of my hand?

21 But they held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the Kings commandement was, saying, Answere him not.

22 ¶ Then came Eliakim the sonne of Hilkiah, that *was* ouer the houshold, and Shebna the Scribe, and Ioah the sonne of Asaph the Recorder, to Hezekiah, with *their* clothes rent, and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

CHAP. XXXVII.

This Chap. is Iesaiah 36. & 19. Of 2. Kings & 2. Book of Chron.

1 *Hezekiah mourning, sendeth to Isaiah to pray for them.* 6 *Isaiah comforteth them.* 8 *Sennacherib going to inuounter Tirhakah, sendeth a blasphemous letter to Hezekiah.* 14 *Hezekiahs prayer.* 21 *Isaiah his prophecie of the pride and destruction of Sennacherib, and she good of Zion.* 36 *An Angel slayeth the Assyrians.* 37 *Sennacherib is slaine at Nineueh by his owne sonnes.*

AND *it came to passe when King Hezekiah heard it, that he rent his clothes, and couered himselfe with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.* 2. Kings 19.1. &c.

2 And he sent Eliakim who *was* ouer the household, and Shebna the Scribe, and the Elders of the Priests couered with sackcloth, vnto Isaiah the Prophet the sonne of Amoz.

3 And they said vnto him, thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day of trouble and of rebuke, and of ‖blasphemy, for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring forth.

‖Or, prouocation.

4 It may bee the LORD thy God will heare the words of Rabshakeh, whom the King of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the liuing God, and will reproone the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift vp *thy* prayer for the remnant that is †left.

†Hebr. found.

5 So the seruants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

6 ¶ And Isaiah said vnto them; Thus shall ye say vnto your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words that thou hast heard, wherewith the seruants of the King of Assyria haue blasphemed mee.

7 Behold, I will ‖send a blast vpon him, and he shall heare a rumour, and returne to his owne land, and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his owne land.

‖Or, put a spirit in him.

8 ¶ So Rabshakeh returned, and found the King of Assyria warring against Libnah: for hee had heard that he was departed from Lachish.

9 And he heard *say* concerning Tirhakah King of Ethiopia, He is come forth to make warre with thee: and when he heard *it*, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying;

10 Thus shall ye speake to Hezekiah King of Iudah, saying, Let not thy God in whom thou trustest deceiue thee, saying, Ierusalem shall not be giuen into the hand of the King of Assyria.

11 Behold, thou hast heard what the Kings of Syria haue done to all lands, by destroying them vtterly, and shalt thou be deliuered?

12 Haue the gods of the nations deliuered them which my fathers haue destroyed, as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Telassar?

13 Where *is* the King of Hamath, and the King of Arphad, and the King of the city of Sepharuaim, Ahnah, and Iuah?

14 ¶ And Hezekiah receiued the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went vp vnto the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.

15 And Hezekiah prayed vnto the LORD, saying,

16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest *betweene* the Cherubims, thou *art* the God, *euen* thou alone, of all the kingdomes of the earth: thou hast made heauen and earth.

17 Incline thine eare, O LORD, and heare; open thine eies, O LORD, and see: and heare all the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to reproch the liuing God.

18 Of a truth, LORD, the Kings of Assyria haue laid waste all the †nations and their countries,

19 And haue †cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the worke of mens hands, wood and stone: therefore they haue destroyed them.

20 Now therefore, O LORD our God, saue vs from his hand, that all the kingdomes of the earth may know, that thou *art* the LORD, *euen* thou *only*.

21 ¶ Then Isaiah the sonne of Amoz sent vnto Hezekiah, saying; Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Whereas thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib King of Assyria:

22 This *is* the word which the LORD hath spoken concerning him: The Virgin, the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorne; the daughter of Ierusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

23 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted thy voice, and lifted vp thine eyes on high? *euen* against the holy One of Israel.

24 † By thy seruants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By the multitude of my chariots am I come vp to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon, and I will cut downe † the tall Cedars thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the height of his border, *and* the ‖forrest of his Carmel.

‖Or, field.

25 I haue digged and drunke waters, and with the

e of my feet haue I dried vp all the Riuers of
fortified places.
6 ¶ Hast thou not heard long agoe, *how* I haue
me it, *and* of ancient times, that I haue formed it?
w haue I brought it to passe, that thou shouldest
to lay waste defenced cities into ruinous heapes.
7 Therefore their inhabitants *were* † of small
wer, they were dismayed and confounded: they
re as the grasse of the field, and as the greene
bbe, as the grasse on the house tops, and *as corne*
fted before it be growne vp.
8 But I know thy ‖ abode, and thy going out,
d thy comming in, and thy rage against me.
9 Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult
ome vp into mine eares: therefore will I put my
ke in thy nose, & my bridle in thy lips, & I will
rne thee backe by the way by which thou camest.
10 And this *shall be* a signe vnto thee, Ye shall eat
s yeere, such as groweth of it selfe: and the se-
d yeere that which springeth of the same: and
the third yeere sow ye and reape, and plant vine-
rds, and eat the fruit thereof.
11 And the remnant that is escaped of the house
Iudah, shall againe take root downeward, and
ar fruit vpward.
12 For out of Ierusalem shall go forth a remnant,
d they that escaped out of mount Zion: the
alousie of the LORD of hostes shall doe this.
13 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the
ng of Assyria, He shall not come into this city,
shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with
elds, nor cast a banke against it.
14 By the way that he came, by the same shall he
turne, and shall not come into this city, saith the
RD.
15 For I will* defend this city to saue it, for
e owne sake, and for my seruant Dauids sake.
16 Then the* Angel of the LORD went forth,
smote in the campe of the Assyrians an hun-
d and fourescore and fiue thousand: and when
y arose early in the morning, behold, they were
dead corpses.
17 ¶ So Sennacherib King of Assyria departed,
went and returned and dwelt at Niueueh.
18 And it came to passe as he was worshipping in
house of Nisroch his god: that Adramelech and
ezer his sonnes smote him with the sword, and
y escaped into the land of † Armenia: and Esar-
don his sonne reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

Hezekiah hauing receiued a message of death, prayeth: hath his life lengthened. 8 The Sunne goeth ten degrees backeward for a signe of that promise. 9 His song of thankesgiuing.

1 * In those dayes was Hezekiah sicke vnto death, and Isaiah the Prophet the sonne of Amoz came to him, and said vnto him, Thus saith the LORD, Giue charge concerning thine house: for thou shalt die, and not liue. 2 Kings. 19. 20. 2 Chron. 32. 24.
2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed vnto the LORD,
3 And said, Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I haue walked before thee in truth, and with a perfect heart, and haue done that which is good in thy sight: and Hezekiah wept † sore.
4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto Esaias, saying,
5 Goe and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD the God of Dauid thy father, I haue heard thy prayer, I haue seene thy teares: behold, I will adde vnto thy daies fifteene yeeres:
6 And I will deliuer thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and I will defend this city.
7 And this *shall be* a signe vnto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will doe this thing that he hath spoken.
8 Behold I will bring againe the shadow of the degrees which is gone downe in the † Sun-diall of Ahaz ten degrees backward: So the Sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone downe.
9 ¶ The writing of Hezekiah king of Iudah, when he had beene sicke, and was recouered of his sickne:
10 I said in the cutting off of my dayes, I shall goe to the gates of the graue: I am depriued of the residue of my yeeres.
11 I said, I shall not see the LORD, *euen* the LORD in the land of the liuing: I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants of the world.
12 Mine age is departed, and is remoued from me as a shepherds tent: I haue cut off like a weaver my life: he will cut me off ‖ with pining sicknesse: from day euen to night, wilt *thou* make an end of me.
13 I reckoned till morning, *that as a* lyon, so will he breake all my bones: from day euen to night wilt thou make an end of me.
14 Like a crane or a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourne as a doue: mine eyes faile *with looking* vpward: O LORD, I am oppressed, ‖ vndertake for me.
15 What shall I say? hee hath both spoken vnto me, and himselfe hath done *it*: I shall goe safely, all my yeeres in the bitternesse of my soule.
16 O Lord, by these things men liue: and in all these things is the life of my spirit: so wilt thou recouer me, and make me to liue.
17 Behold, ‖ for peace I had great bitternesse: but † thou hast in loue to my soule *deliuered it* from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sinnes behind thy backe.
18 For the graue cannot praise thee, death cannot celebrate thee: they that goe downe into the pit, cannot hope for thy truth.
19 The liuing, the liuing, he shall praise thee, as I *doe* this day: the father to the children shall make knowne thy truth.
20 The LORD *was ready* to saue me: therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments, all the daies of our life, in the house of the LORD.
21 For Isaiah had said, Let them take a lumpe of figs, and lay *it* for a plaister vpon the boyle, and he shall recouer.
22 Hezekiah also had said, What *is* the signe that I shall goe vp to the house of the LORD?

CHAP. XXXIX.

1 Merodach-Baladan sending to visite Hezekiah, because of the wonder, hath notice of his treasures. 3 Isaiah vnderstanding thereof, foretelleth the Babylonian captiuity.

1 * AT that time Merodach-Baladan the sonne of Baladan King of Babylon, sent letters, and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had beene sicke, and was recouered.
2 And Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of his ‖ precious things, the siluer & the gold, and the spices, & the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, & all *that* was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.
3 ¶ Then came Isaiah the Prophet vnto King Hezekiah, and said vnto him, What said those men? and from whence came they vnto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a farre country vnto me, *euen* from Babylon.
4 Then said hee, What haue they seene in thine house? and Hezekiah answered, All that is in mine house

house

* 2 Kings 20. 12. & 6.

house haue they seene? there is nothing among my treasures that I haue not shewed them.

5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, heare the word of the LORD of hostes.

6 Behold, the dayes come, that all that is in thine house, and that which thy fathers haue laid vp in stoore vntill this day, shall be carry to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

7 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shal they take away: & they shall be Eunuches in the palace of the King of Babylon.

8 Then said Hezekiah vnto Isaiah, Good is the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken: he said moreouer, for there shalbe peace and truth in my daies.

CHAP. XL.

1 The promulgation of the Gospel. 3 The preaching of Iohn Baptist. 9 The preaching of the Apostles. 12 The Prophet, by the omnipotency of God, 18 and his incomparableness, 26 comforteth the people.

COmfort ye, comfort yee my people, sayth your God.

2 Speake ye † comfortably to Ierusalem, and cry vnto her, that her ‖warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath receiued of the LORDS hand double for all her sins.

3 ¶ * The voyce of him that cryeth in the wildernesse, Prepare ye the way of the LORD: make straight in the desart a high way for our God.

4 Euery valley shalbe exalted, and euery mountaine and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made ‖straight, & the rough places ‖plaine.

5 And the glory of the LORD shall be reuealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

6 The voyce said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? * All flesh is grasse, and all the goodlinesse thereof is as the flowre of the field.

7 The grasse withereth, the flowre fadeth: because the Spirit of the LORD bloweth vpon it: surely the people is grasse.

8 The grasse withereth, the flowre fadeth: but the * word of our God shall stand for euer.

9 ¶ ‖O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee vp into the high mountaine: ‖O Ierusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift vp thy voyce with strength: lift it vp, be not afraid: say vnto the cities of Iudah, behold your God.

10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come ‖with strong hand, and his arme shal rule for him: behold, * his reward is with him, and ‖his worke before him.

11 He shall * feed his flocke like a shepheard: he shall gather the lambs with his arme, and carry *them* in his bosome, *and* shall gently leade those ‖that are with yong.

12 ¶ Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand? and meted out heauen with the ‖spanne, and comprehended the dust of the earth in † a measure, and weighed the mountaines in scales and the hils in a ballance?

13 * Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, ‖or being his counseller hath taught him?

14 With whom tooke he counsell, and *who* † instructed him, and taught him in the path of iudgement? and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of † vnderstanding?

15 Behold, the nations *are* as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the ballance: behold, he taketh vp the yles as a very little thing.

16 And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to burne, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

17 All nations before him *are* as nothing, and they are counted to him lesse than nothing, and vanity.

18 ¶ To whom then will ye ‖liken God? or what likenesse will ye compare vnto him?

19 The workeman melteth a graue image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it ouer with gold, and casteth siluer chaines.

20 He that † is so impouerished that he hath no oblation, chooseth a tree *that will not* rot: he seeketh vnto him a cunning workeman, to prepare a graue image *that* shall not be moued.

21 Haue ye not knowne? haue ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? haue ye not vnderstood from the foundations of the earth?

22 ‖ *It is* he that sitteth vpon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof *are* as grasshoppers, that * stretcheth out the heauens as a curtaine, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

23 That bringeth the * Princes to nothing: he maketh the Iudges of the earth as vanity.

24 Yea, they shall not be planted: yea, they shall not be sowen, yea, their stocke shall not take roote in the earth: and he shall also ‖blow vpon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlewinde shall take them away as stubble.

25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equall, saith the holy One?

26 Lift vp your eyes on high, and behold, who hath created these things, that bringeth out their ‖hoste by number: he calleth them all by names, by the greatnesse of his might, for that he is strong in power, not one faileth.

27 Why sayest thou, O Iacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my iudgement is passed ouer from my God?

28 ¶ Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the euerlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? * there is no searching of his vnderstanding.

29 He giueth power to the faint, and to them that haue no might, he increaseth strength.

30 Euen the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall vtterly fall.

31 But they that wait vpon the LORD, shall renew ‖their strength: they shall mount vp with wings as Eagles: they shall run, and not be weary, and they shall walke, and not faint.

CHAP. XLI.

1 God expostulateth with his people about his mercies to the Church, 21 and about the vanity of Idols.

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2 Who raised vp ‖the righteous man from the East, called him to his foote, gaue the nations before him, and made him ruler ouer Kings: he gaue them as the dust to his sword, *and* as driuen stubble to his bow.

3 He pursued them, *and* passed safely, *euen* by the way, *that* he had not gone with his feete.

4 Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD *am* the first, and with the last, I am he.

5 The yles saw it and feared, the ends of the earth were afraid, drew neere, and came.

6 They helped euery one his neighbour, and *euery one* said to his brother, † Be of good courage.

7 So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith,

* Heb. to the heart. ‖ Or, appointed time. * Mat. 3. 3. mar. 1. 3. luk. 3. 4. ioh. 1. 23. ‖ Or, a straight place. ‖ Or, a plaine place. * Iob. 14. 2. psal. 102 12 & 103. 15. iam. 1. 10. 1. pet. 1. 24. * Iohn 12. 24. 1. pet. 1. 25. ‖ Or, O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion ‖ Or, O thou that tellest good tidings to Ierusalem ‖ Or, against the strong. * Chap. 62. 11. ‖ Or, recompence or being his counseller for his worke. * Ezek. 34. 23. ioh. 10. 11. ‖ Or, that giue sucke. † Heb. * Tiercel. * Wisd. 9. 13. rom. 11. 34. 1. cor. 2. 16. † Heb. man of his counsell. † Heb. made him vnderstand. † Heb. vnderstandings.

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5 The yles saw it and feared, the ends of the earth were afraid, drew neere, and came.

6 They helped euery one his neighbour, and *euery one* said to his brother, † Be of good courage.

7 So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith,

the that smoothetb *with* the hammer, ‖ him that
ote the anuill, ‖ saying, It *is* ready for the sode-
g: and he fastened it with nailes, *that* it should
be mooued.

But thou Israel, *art* my seruant, Iacob whom I
e * chosen, the seed of Abraham my * friend.

Thou whom I haue taken from the ends of the
th, and called thee from the chiefe men thereof,
and said vnto thee, Thou *art* my seruant, I haue
osen thee, and not cast thee away.

¶ Feare thou not, for I *am* with thee: be not
smayed, for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen
e, yea, I will helpe thee, yea, I will vphold thee
th the right hand of my righteousnesse.

Behold, all they that were incensed against
u, shall be * ashamed and confounded: they shall
e as nothing, and † they that striue with thee,
all perish.

Thou shalt seeke them, and shalt not finde
em, *euen* † them that contended with thee: † they
at warre against thee, shall be as nothing, and as a
ing of nought.

For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right
nd, saying vnto thee, Feare not, I will helpe thee.

Feare not thou worme Iacob, *and* ye ‖ men of
rael: I will helpe thee, saith the LORD, and thy
deemer, the holy One of Israel.

Behold, I will make thee a new sharpe thresh-
g instrument hauing † teeth: thou shalt thresh
e mountaines, and beate *them* small, and shalt
ake the hils as chaffe.

Thou shalt fanne them, and the winde shall
ke them away, and the whirlewinds shall scatter
em: and thou shalt reioyce in the LORD, *and*
alt glory in the holy One of Israel.

When the poore and needy seeke waters and
ere *is* none, *and* their tongue faileth for thirst, I
e Lord will heare them, I the God of Israel will
t forsake them:

I will open * riuers in high places, and foun-
ins in the midst of the valleyes: I will make the
ildernesse a poole of water, and the drie land
ings of water.

I will plant in the wildernesse the Cedar, the
ittah tree, and the Myrtle, and the Oyle tree: I
ll set in the desart the Firre tree, *and* the Pine,
d the Boxe tree together:

That they may see, and know, and consider,
d vnderstand together, that the hand of the
ORD hath done this, and the holy One of Israel
th created it.

† Produce your cause, saith the LORD, bring
th your strong *reasons*, saith the King of Iacob.

Let them bring *them* forth, and shew vs what
all happen: let them shew the former things
at they be, that we may † consider them, and
ow the latter end of them, or declare vs things
for to come:

Shew the things that are to come hereafter,
at we may know that ye are gods: yea, doe good,
doe euill, that we may be dismayed, and beholde
gether.

Behold, ye are ‖ of nothing, and your worke
of nought: an abomination *is he that* chooseth
u.

I haue raised vp *one* from the North, and he
all come: from the rising of the Sun shall he call
my Name, and he shall come *vpon* Princes, as
e morter, and as the potter treadeth clay.

Who hath declared from the beginning, that
may know? and before time, that we may say,
e righteous? yea, there is none that sheweth,
yea, there is none that declareth, yea, there is none
that heareth your words.

The first *shall say* to Zion, Behold, behold
them, and I will giue to Ierusalem one that bring-
eth good tidings.

For ‖ beholde, and *there was* no man, euen a-
mongst them, and *there was* no counseller, that
when I asked of them, could † answere a word.

Beholde, they are all vanity, their workes *are*
nought: their molten images *are* winde and con-
fusion.

CHAP. XLII.

The office of Christ graced with meekenesse and constancy. 5 *Gods promise vnto him.* 10 *An exhortation to praise God for his Gospel.* 17 *He reproueth the people of incredulity.*

BEhold * my seruant whom I vphold, mine E-
lect, *in whom* my * soule delighteth: I haue
put my Spirit vpon him, he shall bring forth iudge-
ment to the Gentiles.

He shall not cry, nor lift vp, nor cause his voice
to be heard in the street.

A bruised reed shall hee not breake, and the
‖ smoking flaxe shall hee not † quench, hee shall
bring forth iudgement vnto trueth.

He shall not faile, nor be † discouraged, till
he haue set iudgement in the earth, and the yles
shall wait for his Law.

Thus saith God the LORD, hee that created
the heauens, and stretched them out, he that spread
forth the earth, and that which commeth out of it,
he that giueth breath vnto the people vpon it, and
spirit to them that walke therein:

I the LORD haue called thee in righteousnesse,
and will hold thine hand, and will keepe thee, and
giue thee for a † couenant of the people, for * a light
of the Gentiles:

To open the blind eyes, to * bring out the
prisoners from the prison, *and* them that sit in
* darkenesse out of the prison house.

I *am* the LORD, *that is* my Name, and my
glory will I not giue to another, neither my praise
to ‖ grauen images.

Behold, the former things are come to passe,
and new things do I declare: before they spring
forth, I tell you of them.

Sing vnto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise
from the end of the earth: ye that goe downe to
the sea, and † all that is therein, the yles, and the
inhabitants thereof.

Let the wildernesse, and the cities thereof lift
vp *their voyce*, the villages that Kedar doth inha-
bite: let the inhabitants of the rocke sing, let them
shout from the top of the mountaines.

Let them giue glory vnto the LORD, and
declare his praise in the yles.

The LORD shall goe forth as a mighty man,
hee shall stirre vp iealousie like a man of warre:
he shall cry, yea, roare, he shall ‖ preuaile against
his enemies.

I haue long time holden my peace, I haue been
still, *and* refrained my selfe: now will I cry like
a trauailing woman, I will destroy and † deuoure
at once.

I will make waste mountaines and hilles, and
drie vp all their herbes, and I will make the riuers
yles, and I will dry vp the pooles.

And I will bring the blind by a way *that* they
know not, I will lead them in paths *that* they haue
not knowne, I will make darkenesse light before
them, and crooked things ‖ straight. These things
will I doe vnto them, and not forsake them.

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* Matth. 12.18.
* Matth. 3.17. & 17. 5. 2 Pet. 1.17.
‖ Or, *diligently hearing.*
† Heb. *quench it.*
† Heb. *broken.*
* Chap. 49.6. Luke. 2.32. Acts 13.47.
* Chap. 61.1.
‖ Or, *carued images.*
* Luke. 4. 18. Heb. 2. 14.15.
* Chap. 9.2. & 60.2.
† Heb. *all the fulnesse thereof.*
‖ Or, *became himselfe mighty.*
† Heb. *swallow or sup vp at once.*
† Heb. *into straight.*

17 ¶ They shall be *turned backe, they shall bee greatly ashamed that trust in grauen images, that say to the molten images, Ye are our gods.

18 Heare yee deafe, and looke ye blinde, that yee may see.

19 Who *is* blinde, but my seruant? or deafe, as my messenger *that* I sent? who *is* blinde as he that *is* perfect, and blind as the LORDS seruant?

20 Seeing many things, but thou obseruest not: opening the eares, but he heareth not.

21 The LORD is well pleased for his righteousnesse sake, he will magnifie the Law, and make *it* honourable.

22 But this *is* a people robbed and spoiled, ‖ they are all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none deliuereth, † for a spoile, and none saith, Restore.

23 Who among you will giue eare to this? who will hearken, and heare † for the time to come?

24 Who gaue Iacob for a spoile, and Israel to the robbers? Did not the LORD, he, against whom wee haue sinned? For they would not walke in his wayes neither were they obedient vnto his Law.

25 Therefore he hath powred vpon him the fury of his anger, & the strength of battell: it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not, and it burned him, yet he laid *it* not to heart.

CHAP. XLIII.

1 *The Lord comforteth the Church with his promises.* 8 *He appealeth to the people for witnesse of his omnipotency.* 14 *He foretelleth them the destruction of Babylon:* 18 *and his wonderfull deliuerance of his people.* 22 *He reproueth the people as vngratefull.*

BVt now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Iacob, and hee that formed thee, O Israel: Feare not; for I haue redeemed thee, I haue called *thee* by thy name, thou art mine.

2 When thou passest through the waters, I *will be* with thee, and through the riuers, they shall not ouerflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burnt, neither shall the flame kindle vpon thee.

3 For I *am* the LORD thy God, the holy One of Israel, thy Sauiour: I gaue Egypt for thy ransome, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.

4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I haue loued thee: therefore will I giue men for thee, and people for thy ‖ life.

5 * Feare not, for I *am* with thee: I will bring thy seed from the East, and gather thee from the West:

6 I will say to the North, Giue vp; and to the South, Keepe not backe: bring my sons from farre, and my daughters from the ends of the earth:

7 *Euen* euery one that is called by my Name: for I haue created him for my glory; I haue formed him, yea, I haue made him.

8 ¶ Bring forth the blind people, that haue eyes, and the deafe that haue eares.

9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: * who among them can declare this, and shew vs former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be iustified: or let them heare, and say *It is* truth.

10 Ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my seruant whom I haue chosen; that yee may know and beleeue me, and vnderstand that I *am* he: * before me there was ‖ no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

11 I, *euen* I * *am* the LORD, and besides me there *is* no Sauiour.

12 I haue declared, and haue saued, and I haue shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I *am* God.

13 Yea, before the day was, I *am* he, and there is none that can deliuer out of my hand: I will worke, and who shall † let it?

14 Thus saith the LORD your Redeemer, the holy one of Israel: for your sake I haue sent to Babylon, and haue brought downe all their † nobles, and the Caldeans, whose cry is in the ships.

15 I *am* the Lord your holy One, the Creator of Israel your King.

16 Thus saith the LORD which * maketh a way in the sea, and * a path in the mighty waters:

17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power: they shall lie downe together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as towe:

18 ¶ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old?

19 Behold, I will do a * new thing: now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will euen make a way in the wildernesse, and riuers in the desert.

20 The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons, and the ‖ owles, because I giue waters in the wildernesse, *and* riuers in the desert, to giue drinke to my people my chosen.

21 * This people haue I formed for my selfe; they shall shew forth my praise.

22 ¶ But thou hast not called vpon me, O Iacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.

23 Thou hast not brought me the † small cattell of thy burnt offerings, neither hast thou honoured mee with thy sacrifices. I haue not caused thee to serue with an offring, nor wearied thee with incense.

24 Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serue with thy sinnes, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities.

25 I, *euen* I *am he that* * blotteth out thy transgressions for mine owne sake, and will not remember thy sinnes.

26 Put me in remembrance: let vs plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be iustified.

27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy ‖ teachers haue transgressed against me.

28 Therefore I haue profaned the ‖ princes of the Sanctuary, and haue giuen Iacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

CHAP. XLIIII.

1 *God comforteth the Church with his promises.* 7 *The vanity of Idoles,* 9 *and folly of Idolatters.* 21 *He exhorteth to praise God for his redemption and omnipotency.*

YEt now heare, O Iacob my seruant, and Israel whom I haue chosen:

2 Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the wombe, * which will helpe thee: Feare not, O Iacob my seruant; and thou Iesurun whom I haue chosen.

3 For I will powre water vpon him that is thirsty, and floods vpon the dry ground: I will powre my spirit vpon thy seed, and my blessing vpon thine off-spring.

4 And they shall spring vp as among the grasse, as willowes by the water courses.

5 One shall say, I *am* the LORDS; and another shall call himselfe by the name of Iacob: and another shall subscribe *with* his hand vnto the LORD, and surname himselfe by the name of Israel.

6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel,

*Psa.97.7 ch.21.29. & 44.11. & 45.16.

*Rom. 2.2.

‖Or, him.

‖Or, in snaring all the young men of them. †Heb. a treading. †Heb for the after time.

‖Or, person. *Chap. 43.1. Ier. 30.10. & 46.27.

*Chap. 41.11. *Chap. 41.4. & 44.8.

‖Or, nothing formed of God. *Chap. 45.21. & 48.12.

*Chap. 41.14.

Redeemer the LORD of hoſtes, * I *am* the firſt, and I am the laſt, and beſides me *there is* no God.

7 And who, as I, ſhall call, and ſhall declare it, and ſet it in order for me, ſince I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are comming, and ſhall come? let them ſhew vnto them.

8 Feare ye not, neither be afraid: haue not I told thee from that time, and haue declared *it*? ye *are* euen my witneſſes. Is there a God beſides me? yea, *there is* no †God, I know not *any*.

9 ¶ They that make a grauen image, are all of them vanity, and their † delectable things ſhall not profit, and they *are* their owne witneſſes, * they ſee not, nor know, that they may be aſhamed.

10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a grauen image, that is profitable for nothing?

11 Behold, all his fellowes ſhalbe * aſhamed: and the workemen they *are* of men: let them all be gathered together, let them ſtand vp; *yet* they ſhall feare, and they ſhall be aſhamed together.

12 * The Smith ‖ with the tongs both worketh in the coales, and faſhioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the ſtrength of his armes: yea, he is hungry, and his ſtrength faileth; he drinketh no water, and is faint.

13 The Carpenter ſtretcheth out his rule: he marketh it out with the line, he fitteth it with plaines, he marketh it out with the compaſſe, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the beautie of a man, that it may remaine in the houſe.

14 He heweth him down Cedars, and taketh the Cypreſſe and the Oake, which he ‖ ſtrengtheneth for himſelfe among the trees of the forreſt: he planteth an Ake, and the raine doth nouriſh it.

15 Then ſhall it be for a man to burne: for he will take thereof, and warme himſelfe; yea, he kindleth it, and baketh bread, yea, he maketh a god, and worſhippeth it: he maketh it a grauen image, and falleth downe thereto.

16 He burneth part thereof in the fire: with part thereof he eateth fleſh: he roſteth roſt, and is ſatisfied: yea, he warmeth *himſelfe*, and ſaith, Aha, I am warme, I haue ſeene the fire:

17 And the reſidue thereof he maketh a god, *euen* his grauen image: he falleth downe vnto it, and worſhippeth it, and prayeth vnto it, and ſaith, Deliuer me, for thou *art* my god.

18 They haue not knowne, nor vnderſtood: for he hath † ſhut their eyes, that they cannot ſee; *and* their hearts, that they cannot vnderſtand.

19 And none † conſidereth in his heart, neither is there knowledge nor vnderſtanding to ſay, I haue burnt part of it in the fire: yea alſo, I haue baked bread vpon the coales thereof; I haue roſted fleſh, and eaten it, & ſhall I make the reſidue thereof an abomination? ſhall I fall downe to † the ſtocke of a tree?

20 He feedeth of aſhes: a deceiued heart hath turned him aſide, that he cannot deliuer his ſoule, nor ſay, *Is there* not a lie in my right hand?

21 ¶ Remember theſe (O Iacob & Iſrael) for thou art my ſeruant, I haue formed thee: thou *art* my ſeruant, O Iſrael, thou ſhalt not be forgotten of me.

22 I haue blotted out as a thicke cloud thy tranſgreſſions, and as a cloud, thy ſins: returne vnto me, for I haue redeemed thee.

23 Sing, O ye heauens; for the LORD hath done *it*: ſhout ye lower parts of the earth: breake forth into ſinging, ye mountaines, O forreſt, and euery tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Iacob, and glorified himſelfe in Iſrael.

24 Thus ſaith the LORD thy Redeemer, and hee that formed thee from the wombe, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that ſtretcheth forth the heauens alone, that ſpreadeth abroad the earth by myſelfe;

25 That fruſtrateth the tokens of the lyars, and maketh diuiners mad, that turneth wiſe men backward, and maketh their knowledge fooliſh:

26 That confirmeth the word of his ſeruant, and performeth the counſell of his meſſengers: that ſaith to Ieruſalem, Thou ſhalt be inhabited, and to the cities of Iudah, Ye ſhalbe built, and I will raiſe vp the † decayed places thereof:

27 That ſaith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry vp thy riuers.

28 That ſaith of Cyrus, *He is* my ſhepherd, and ſhall performe all my pleaſure, euen ſaying to Ieruſalem, * Thou ſhalt be built, and to the Temple, Thy foundation ſhall be laid.

CHAP. XLV.

1 *God calleth Cyrus for his Churches ſake.* 5 *By his omnipotency he challengeth obeiſance.* 20 *He denounceth the Idoles of vanity, by his ſaning power.*

THus ſaith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whoſe right hand I haue ‖ holden, to ſubdue nations before him: and I will looſe the loynes of Kings, to open before him the two leaued gates, and the gates ſhall not be ſhut.

2 I will goe before thee, and make the crooked places ſtreight: I will breake in pieces the gates of braſſe, and cut in ſunder the barres of yron.

3 And I will giue thee the treaſures of darkeneſſe, and hidden riches of ſecret places, that thou mayeſt know, that I the LORD, which call thee by thy name, *am* the God of Iſrael.

4 For Iacobs my ſeruants ſake, and Iſrael mine elect, I haue euen called thee by thy name: I haue ſurnamed thee, though thou haſt not knowne mee.

5 ¶ I * *am* the Lord, and *there is* none elſe, *there is* no God beſide mee: I girded thee, though thou haſt not knowne mee.

6 That they may know from the riſing of the Sun, and from the Weſt, that *there is* none beſides me, I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none elſe.

7 I forme the light, and create darkneſs: I make peace, and create euill: I the LORD doe all theſe things.

8 Drop downe yee heauens from aboue, and let the ſkies powre downe righteouſneſſe: let the earth open, and let them bring forth ſaluation, and let righteouſneſſe ſpring vp together: I the LORD haue created it.

9 Woe vnto him that ſtriueth with his Maker: Let the potſheard *ſtriue* with the potſheards of the earth: * ſhall the clay ſay to him that faſhioneth it, What makeſt thou? or thy worke, he hath no hands?

10 Woe vnto him that ſaith to *his* father, What begetteſt thou? or to the woman, What haſt thou brought forth?

11 Thus ſaith the LORD, the holy One of Iſrael and his Maker, Aske mee of things to come concerning my ſonnes, and concerning the worke of my hands command yee mee.

12 I haue made the earth, and created man vpon it: I, *euen* my hands haue ſtretched out the heauens, and all their hoſte haue I commanded.

13 I haue raiſed him vp in righteouſneſſe, and I will ‖ direct all his wayes: he ſhall * build my citie, and he ſhall let goe my captiues, not for price nor reward, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes.

14 Thus ſaith the LORD, The labour of Egypt and merchandiſe of Ethiopia, and of the Sabeans men of ſtature, ſhall come ouer vnto thee, and they ſhall be thine,

† Heb. *waſtes.*
* 2. Chro. 36. 22. Ezra 1. 1. cha. 45. 13

‖ Or, *ſtrengthened.*

* Deut. 4. 35. 39. & 32. 39. cha. 44. 8.

* Iere. 18. 6. rom. 9. 20

‖ Or, *make ſtreights.*
* 2. Chron. 36. 22. Ezra 1. 1. cha. 44. 28

thine; they shall come after thee, in chaines they shall come over, & they shall fall downe vnto thee: they shall make supplication vnto thee, *saying*, Surely God *is* in thee, & *there is* none else, *there is* no god.

15 Verely thou *art* a God that hidest thy selfe, O God of Israel the Sauiour.

16 They shall bee ashamed and also confounded all of them: they shall goe to confusion together that are * makers of idoles.

* Chap. 44.11.

17 *But* Israel shall bee saued in the LORD with an euerlasting saluation; ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

18 For thus saith the LORD that created the heauens, God himselfe that formed the earth, and made it, he hath established it, he created it not in vaine, he formed it to be inhabited, I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else.

19 I haue not spoken in * secret, in a darke place of the earth: I said not vnto the seede of Iacob Seeke yee me in vaine: I the LORD speake righteousnesse, I declare things that are right.

* Deut. 30.11.

20 ¶ Assemble your selues, and come: draw neere together, yee that are escaped of the nations: they haue no knowledge that set vp the wood of their grauen image, and pray vnto a god *that* cannot saue.

21 Tell ye, and bring *them* neere, yea let them take counsell together, who hath declared this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? Haue not I the LORD? and *there is* no God else beside me, a iust God, and a Sauiour, *there is* none beside me.

* Rom. 14.11. Phil. 2.10. ‖ Or, surely he shall say of me, In the Lord is all righteousnes and strength. Heb. righteousnesses.

22 Looke vnto me, and be yee saued all the ends of the earth: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else.

23 I haue sworne by my selfe, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousnesse, and shall not returne, that vnto me every *knee* shall bow, every tongue shall sweare.

24 ‖ Surely, shall one say, In the LORD *haue* I righteousnesse and strength: euen to him shall men come, and all that are incensed against him shalbe ashamed.

25 In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel bee iustified, and shall glory.

CHAP. XLVI.

1 The Idols of Babylon could not saue themselues. 3 God saueth his people to the end. 5 Idols are not comparable to God for power, 12 or present saluation.

BEl boweth downe, Nebo stoupeth, their idoles were vpon the beasts, and vpon the cattel, your carriages *were* heauy loaden, they *are* a burden to the weary *beast*.

† Heb. their soule.

2 They stoupe, they bow downe together, they could not deliuer the burden, but † themselues are gone into captiuity.

3 ¶ Hearken vnto mee, O house of Iacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which are borne *by me*, from the belly, which are carried from the wombe.

4 And euen to *your* old age I am hee, and euen to hoare haires will I carry *you*: I haue made, and I will beare, euen I will carry, and will deliuer *you*.

5 ¶ To whom will yee liken mee, and make *mee* equall, and * compare me, that we may be like?

* Chap. 40.18.25.

6 They lauish gold out of the bag, and weigh siluer in the ballance, *and* hire a goldsmith, & he maketh it a god: they fall downe, yea they worship.

7 They beare him vpon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in his place, and he standeth; from his place shall he not remoue: yea one shall cry vnto him, yet can he not answere, nor saue him out of his trouble.

8 Remember this, and shew your selues men: bring it againe to mind, O ye transgressours.

9 Remember the former things of old, for I *am* God, and *there is* none else, I *am* God, and there is none like mee,

10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, * My counsell shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

11 Calling a ranenous bird from the East, the man that executeth my counsell from a farre country, yea, I haue spoken *it*, I will also bring it to passe, I haue purposed *it*, I will also do it.

12 ¶ Hearken vnto me, ye stoutharted, that are farre from righteousnesse.

13 I bring neere my righteousnesse: it shall not be farre off, and my saluation shall not tary: and I will place saluation in Zion for Israel my glory.

CHAP. XLVII.

1 Gods iudgement vpon Babylon and Caldea, for their vnmercifulnesse. 7 prone to ambitiousnesse, 11 shall be vnexpected.

COme downe and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon sit on the ground: there is no throne O daughter of the Caldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate.

2 Take the millstones and grinde meale, vncouer thy locke, make bare the leg, vncouer the thigh, passe ouer the riuers.

3 Thy nakednesse shall be vncouered, yea, thy shame shall be seene: I will take vengeance, and I will not meet *thee as* a man.

4 As for our Redeemer, the LORD of hosts is his Name, the holy One of Israel.

5 Sit thou silent, and get thee into darkenesse, O daughter of the Caldeans: for thou shalt no more be called the Lady of kingdomes.

6 ¶ I was wroth with my people, I haue polluted mine inheritance, and giuen them into thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy, vpon the ancient hast thou very heauily laid thy yoke.

7 ¶ And thou saidst, I shall be a Lady for euer: so that thou didst not lay these things to thy heart, neither didst remember the latter end of it.

8 Therefore heare now this, thou that art giuen to pleasures, that dwellest carelesly, that saiest in thine heart, I *am*, and none else besides me, I shall not sit *as a* widow, neither shall I know the losse of children.

9 But these two * things shall come to thee in a moment in one day: the losse of children, and widowhood: they shall come vpon thee in their perfection, for the multitude of thine enchantments, *and* for the great abundance of thine inchantments.

10 ¶ For thou hast trusted in thy wickednesse: thou hast said, None seeth me: thy wisedome and thy knowledge, it hath † turned thee away, and thou hast said in thine heart, I *am*, and none else besides mee.

11 ¶ Therefore shall euill come vpon thee, thou shalt not know † from whence it riseth: and mischiefe shall fall vpon thee, which thou shalt not be able to † put off: and desolation shall come vpon thee suddenly, *which* thou shalt not know.

12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth, if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest preuaile.

13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels: let now the † Astrologers, the Stargazers, the † monethly Prognosticators, stand vp, *and* saue thee from these things which shall come vpon thee.

14 Behold

Behold they shall be as stubble: the fire shall
e them, they shall not deliuer † themselues
the power of the flame: *there shall* not *be a*
le to warme at, *nor* fire to sit before it.
Thus shall they be vnto thee with whom thou
laboured, *euen* thy merchants from thy youth,
shall wander euery one to his quarter; none
ll saue thee.

CHAP. XLVIII.

*God to conuince the people of their forekno wne
nesse, reuealed his prophecies: 9 Hee saueth
for his owne sake. 12 Hee exhorteth them to
heare, because of his power and prouidence. 16
Lamenteth their backwardnesse. 20 Hee pow-
reth mercy his out of Babylon.*

Eare ye this, O house of Iacob, which are cal-
led by the name of Israel, and are come forth
of the waters of Iudah, which sweare by the
e of the LORD, and make mention of the God
rael, *but* not in truth, nor in righteousnesse.
For they call themselues of the holy city, and
themselues vpon the God of Israel, the LORD
ofhosts is his Name.
I haue declared the former things from the
ning, and they went forth out of my mouth,
I shewed them; I did *them* suddenly, and they
e to passe.
Because I knew that thou art † obstinate, and
neck is an yron sinew, and thy brow brasse:
I haue euen from the beginning declared *it* to
; before it came to passe I shewed it thee: lest
shouldest say, mine idole hath done them and
grauen image, and my molten image hath com-
ded them.
Thou hast heard, see all this, and will not yee
re it? I haue shewed thee new things from
time, euen hidden things, and thou didst not
them.
They are created now, and not from the begin-
ning before the day when thou heardest them
st thou shouldest say, Behold, I knew them.
Yea, thou heardest not, yea, thou knewest not;
from that time that thine eare was not ope-
ed: for I knew that thou wouldest deale very
reasonably, and wast called a transgressor from
e wombe.
For my Names sake will I deferre mine an-
er, and for my praise will I refraine for thee, that
not cut thee off.
Behold, I haue refined thee but not ‖ with sil-
er, I haue chosen thee in the furnace of affliction.
For mine owne sake, *euen* for mine owne sake
will do it: for how should *my Name* be pollu-
ted? and I will not giue my * glory vnto another.
Hearken vnto me, O Iacob, and Israel my cal-
led: I *am* he, I *am* the * first, I also *am* the last.
Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the
earth, and ‖ my right hand hath spanned the hea-
uens: I call vnto them, they stand vp together.
All ye assemble your selues, and heare: which
among them hath declared these things? the LORD
hath loued him: he will do his pleasure on Baby-
lon, and his arme *shall be* on the Caldeans.
Euen I haue spoken, yea, I haue called him:
I haue brought him, and he shall make his way pro-
sperous.
Come ye neere vnto me, heare ye this, I
haue not spoken in secret from the beginning:
from the time that it was, there am I, and now the
Lord GOD, and his Spirit hath sent me.
Thus saith the LORD thy Redeemer, the holy
one of Israel, I am the LORD thy God, which
teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the
way *that* thou shouldest goe.
O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandements! then had thy peace beene as a riuer, and
thy righteousnesse as the waues of the Sea.
Thy seed also had beene as the sand, and the
off-spring of thy bowels like the gravell thereof:
his name should not haue beene cut off, nor destroyed from before me.
Goe ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the
Caldeans with a voyce of singing, declare ye, tell
this, vtter it euen to the end of the earth, say ye,
The LORD hath * redeemed his seruant Iacob.
And they thirsted not *when* he led them thorow the desarts: he * caused the waters to flow out
of the rocke for them: he claue the rocke also, and
the waters gushed out.
There is no peace, saith the LORD, vnto the
wicked.

CHAP. XLIX.

*Christ being sent to the Iewes, complaineth of
them. 5 Hee is sent to the Gentiles with gracious
promises. 13 Gods loue is perpetuall to his Church.
18 The ample restauration of the Church. 24 The
powerfull deliuerance out of captiuity.*

Listen, O Iles vnto me, and hearken ye people
from farre. The LORD hath called me from
the wombe, from the bowels of my mother hath he
made mention of my name.
And he hath made my mouth like a sharpe
sword, in the shadow of his hand hath hee hid me,
and made me a polished shaft: in his quiuer hath
he hid me,
And said vnto me, Thou *art* my seruant, O Is-
rael, in whom I will be glorified.
Then I said, I haue laboured in vaine, I haue
spent my strength for nought, and in vaine: *yet* surely my iudgment *is* with the LORD, and ‖ my worke
with my God.
¶ And now saith the LORD that formed mee
from the wombe, to be his seruant, to bring Iacob
againe to him; though Israel be ‖ not gathered, yet
shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and
my God shall be my strength.
And he said ‖ It is a light thing that thou
shouldest be my seruant to raise vp the tribes of Iacob, and to restore the ‖ preserued of Israel: I will
also giue thee for a * light to the Gentiles that thou
mayest be my saluation vnto the end of the earth.
Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel
and his holy One ‖ to him whom man despiseth, to
him whom the nation abhorreth, to a seruant of
rulers; kings shall see and arise, Princes also shall
worship, because of the LORD that is faithfull, *and*
the holy One of Israel, and he shall chuse thee.
Thus saith the LORD, * In an acceptable
time haue I heard thee, and in a day of saluation
haue I helped thee: and I will preserue thee, and
giue thee for a Couenant of the people ‖ to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate
heritages:
That thou mayest say * to the prisoners, Goe
forth; to them that *are* in darknesse, shew your
selues: they shall feed in the wayes, and their pa-
sture *shalbe* in all high places.
They shall not * hunger nor thirst, neither
shall the heat, nor Sunne smite them: for he that
hath mercy on them, shall lead them, euen by the
springs of water shall he guide them.
And I will make all my mountaines a way,
and my high wayes shall be exalted.
Behold, these shall come from farre: and loe,

* Exod. 19. 4.5.6.
* Exod. 17 6. numb. 20. 11.
* Chap. 57.21.
‖ Or, my reward.
‖ Or, was gathered
to him, and I may, &c.
‖ Or, and shall
be my saluation, &c.
‖ Or, to him that is despised in soule.
* 1. Cor. 6.2.
‖ Or, raise vp.
* Chap. 42.7.
* Reuel. 7.16.

these from the North, and from the West, and these from the land of Sinim.

13 ¶ Sing, O heauen, and be ioyfull, O earth, and breake forth into singing, O mountaines: for God hath comforted his people, and will haue mercy vpon his afflicted.

14 But Zion said, the LORD hath forsaken mee, and my Lord hath forgotten me.

† Hebr. from hauing compassion.

15 Can a woman forget her sucking child, †that shee should not haue compassion on the sonne of her wombe? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

16 Behold, I haue grauen thee vpon the palmes of *my* hands: thy walls *are* continually before me.

17 Thy children shall make haste: thy destroyers, and they that made thee waste, shall goe forth of thee.

*Chap. 63.4.

18 ¶ * Lift vp thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselues together, *and* come to thee: as I liue, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them *on thee* as a bride doth.

19 For thy waste, and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction shall euen now be too narrow, by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee vp shalbe farre away.

20 The children which thou shalt haue, after thou hast lost the others, shall say againe in thine eares, the place *is* too strait for me: giue place to me, that I may dwell.

21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I haue lost my children, and am desolate, a captiue, and remouing to and fro? and who hath brought vp these? Behold, I was left alone, these where *had* they *beene*?

22 Thus saith the Lord GOD. Behold, I will lift vp mine hand to the Gentiles, and set vp my standard to the people: and they shal bring thy sonnes in *their* † armes: and thy daughters shalbe carried vpon *their* shoulders.

† Hebr. bosome

† Hebr. nourishers.

† Hebr. prouide

*Psal. 72.9.

23 And Kings shalbe thy † nursing fathers, and their † Queenes thy nursing mothers: they shall bow downe to thee with their face toward the earth, and * licke vp the dust of thy feet: and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.

† Hebr. the captiuity of the iust.

24 ¶ Shall the prey bee taken from the mightie, or † the lawfull captiue deliuered?

† Hebr. captiuity.

25 But thus saith the LORD, Euen the † captiues of the mighty shalbe taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be deliuered: for I will contend with *him* that contendeth with thee, and I will saue thy children.

* Reuel. 14.20. & 16.6.

26 And I will feed them that oppresse thee with their owne flesh, and they shall bee drunken with their owne * blood, as with sweet † wine: and all flesh shall know that I the LORD *am* thy Sauiour, and thy Redeemer, the mighty one of Iacob.

† Or, new wine.

CHAP. L.

1 Christ sheweth that the derelliction of the Iewes is not to be imputed to him by his ability to saue, 5 by his obedience in that worke, 7 and by his confidence in that assistance. 10 An exhortation to trust in God, and not in our selues.

THus saith the LORD, where is the bill of your mothers diuorcement, whom I haue put away? or which of my creditors is it to whom I haue sold you? Behold, for your iniquities haue you sold your selues, and for your transgressions is your mother put away.

* Numb. 11.23. & 32. 59.1.

2 Wherefore when I came, *was there* no man? when I called, *was there* none to answere? * Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeeme? or haue I no power to deliuer? Behold, at my rebuke I * dry vp the Sea, I make the * riuers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because *there is* no water, and dieth for thirst.

3 I clothe the heauens with blackenesse, and I make sackcloth their couering.

4 The Lord GOD hath giuen me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speake a word in season to him that is * weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, hee wakeneth mine eare to heare as the learned.

5 ¶ The Lord GOD hath opened mine eare, and I was not * rebellious, neither turned away backe.

6 * I gaue my backe to the smiters, and my cheekes to them that plucked off the haire: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

7 ¶ For the Lord GOD will helpe me, therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore haue I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

8 * He *is* neere that iustifieth me, who will contend with me? let vs stand together: who is mine aduersary? let him come neere to me.

9 Behold, the Lord GOD will helpe me, who *is he that* shal condemne me? Loe, they all shall waxe old as a garment: the moth shall eat them vp.

10 ¶ Who *is* among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voyce of his seruant, that walketh *in* darkenesse, and hath no light? let him trust in the Name of the LORD, and stay vpon his God.

11 Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compasse *your selues* about with sparkes: walke in the light of your fire, and in the sparkes *that* ye haue kindled. * This shall ye haue of mine hand, ye shall lie downe in sorrow.

CHAP. LI.

1 An exhortation after the pattern of Abraham, to trust in Christ. 3 by reason of his comfortable promises. 4 of his righteous saluation to all nations. 7 of their mortality. 9 Christ by his sanctified affections defendeth his from the feare of man. 17 He comforteth the afflictions of Ierusalem, 21 and promiseth deliuerance.

HEarken to me ye that follow after righteousnesse, ye that seeke the LORD: looke vnto the rocke *whence* ye are hewen, and to the hole of the pit *whence* ye are digged.

2 Looke vnto Abraham your father, and vnto Sarah *that* bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.

3 For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places, and he will make her wildernesse like Eden, and her desart like the garden of the LORD: ioy and gladnesse shall be found therein, thanksgiuing and the voyce of melodie.

4 ¶ Hearken vnto me, my people, and giue eare vnto me, O my nation: for a Law shall proceed from me, and I will make my iudgement to rest for a light of the people.

5 My righteousnesse *is* neere: my saluation is gone forth, and mine armes shall iudge the people: the yles shall wait vpon me, and on mine arme shall they trust.

6 Lift vp your eyes to the heauens, and looke vpon the earth beneath: for * the heauens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall waxe old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my saluation shall be for euer, and my righteousnesse shall not be abolished.

7 ¶ Hearken vnto me, ye that know righteousnes, the people * in whose heart is my Law:

ne the reproach of men,neither be ye afraid of
r reuilings.
For the moth ſhall eate them vp like a gar-
nt, and the worme ſhall eate them like wooll:
my righteouſneſſe ſhall be for euer,and my ſal-
on from generation to generation.
¶ Awake awake put on ſtrength, O arme of
LORD, awake as in the ancient dayes, in the
erations of old. *Art* thou not it that hath cut
ab,and wounded the* dragon?
Art thou not it which hath* dryed the Sea,
waters of the great deepe, that hath made the
ſes of the Sea a way for the ranſomed to paſſe
er?
Therefore the redeemed of the LORD ſhall
urne and come with ſinging vnto Zion, and
erlaſting ioy *ſhall be* vpon their* head: they
ll obtaine gladneſſe and ioy, *and* ſorrow and
urning ſhall flee away.
I, *euen I am* he that comforteth you, who are
u that thou ſhouldeſt bee afraid *of a man that*
dieth, and of the ſonne of man *which* ſhall bee
made as graſſe?
And forgetteſt the LORD thy Maker, that
retched forth the heauens and laid the foun-
ons of the earth? and haſt feared continually
ery day,becauſe of the fury of the oppreſſour,as
he were ready to deſtroy? and where is the fu-
y of the oppreſſour?
The captiue exile haſteneth that hee may be
oſed, and that he ſhould not die in the pit, nor
s bread ſhould faile.
But I *am* the LORD thy God, that* diuided
e ſea, whoſe waues roared: the LORD of hoſtes
s Name.
And I haue put my words * in thy mouth,and
ue couered thee in the ſhadow of mine hand,that
may plant the heauens, & lay the foundations of
rth,and ſay vnto Zion Thou *art* my people.
¶* Awake, awake, ſtand vp, O Ieruſalem,
ich haſt drunke at the hand of the LORD the
p of his fury; thou haſt drunken the dregs of the
ſ trembling,*and* wrung *them* out.
There is none to guide her among all the ſonnes
om ſhe hath brought forth: neither *is there* any
t that taketh her by the hand of all the ſonnes *that*
e hath brought vp.
These two things † are come vnto thee, who
ll be ſorry for thee? deſolation,and † deſtructi-
n, the famine, and the ſword: by whom ſhall
I comfort thee?
Thy ſonnes haue fainted, they lie at the head of
all ſtreets, as a wilde bull in a net; they are full
the fury of the LORD,the rebuke of thy God.
Therefore heare now this,thou afflicted and
unken,but not with wine.
Thus ſaith thy Lord,the LORD and thy God,
leadeth the cauſe of his people, behold, I
ue taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling,
even the dregs of the cup of my fury: thou ſhalt
no more drinke it againe.
But I will put it into the hand of them that
ouble thee: which haue ſaid to thy ſoule, Bow
down that wee may goe ouer: and thou haſt laid
thy body as the ground, and as the ſtreet to them
that goe ouer.

CHAP. LII.

*The Prophet perſwadeth the Church to beleeue his free
ſalvation. 7 to reioyce at the Miniſters thereof. 9
and the power thereof. 11 and to free them-
ſelues from bondage. 13 Chriſts kingdome ſhall bee*

AWake,* awake,put on thy ſtrength, O Zion, * Chap.
put on thy beautifull garments,O Ieruſalem, 51.17.
the holy city: for henceforth there ſhall no more
come into thee,the vncircumciſed & the vncleane.
2 Shake thy ſelfe from the duſt: ariſe, *and* ſit
downe,O Ieruſalem: looſe thy ſelfe from the bands
of thy necke,O captiue daughter of Zion.
3 For thus ſaith the LORD, Ye haue ſold your
ſelues for nought: and ye ſhall be redeemed with-
out money.
4 For thus ſaith the Lord GOD,My people went
downe aforetime into* Egypt to ſojourne there; * Gene.
and the Aſſyrian oppreſſed them without cauſe. 46.6,
5 Now therefore what haue I here, ſaith the
LORD,that my people is taken away for nought?
they that rule ouer them, make them to howle,
ſaith the LORD, and my Name continually euery
day is* blaſphemed. * Ezek.
6 Therefore my people ſhall know my Name: 36.22,23.
therefore *they ſhall know* in that day that I *am* he rom.2.24.
that doeth ſpeake: Behold,*it is* I.
7 ¶* How beautifull vpon the mountaines are * Nahum
the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that 1.15.roms
publiſheth peace, that bringeth good tidings of 10.15.
good, that publiſheth ſaluation, that ſaith vnto
Zion,Thy God reigneth!
8 Thy watchmen ſhall lift vp the voice, with the
voyce together ſhall they ſing: for they ſhall ſee
eye to eye when the LORD ſhal bring againe Zion.
9 ¶Breake forth into ioy,ſing together,ye waſte
places of Ieruſalem: for the LORD hath comfor-
ted his people,he hath redeemed Ieruſalem.
10 The LORD hath made bare his holy arme in
the eyes of all the nations,and* all the ends of the * Pſal.98.
earth ſhall ſee the ſaluation of our God. 2.luke
11 ¶Depart ye,depart ye,go ye out from thence, 3.6.
* touch no vncleane thing; goe ye out of the midſt * 2.Cor.
of her; bee ye cleane that beare the veſſels of the 6.17.reu.
LORD 18.4.
12 For ye ſhall not goe out with haſte,nor go by
flight: for the LORD will goe before you: and the † Hebr.
God of Iſrael *will* † *be* your rereward. gather
13 ¶ Behold, my ſeruant ſhall ‖ deale prudently, you vp.
he ſhall be exalted and extolled,and be very high. ‖ Or,
14 As many were aſtonied at thee, (his* viſage proſper.
was ſo marred more then any man, and his forme * Chap.
more then the ſonnes of men:) 52.3.
15 So ſhall he ſprinkle many nations, the Kings * Rom.
ſhall ſhut their mouthes at him: for that* which 15.21.
had not beene told them, ſhall they ſee, and that
which they had not heard,ſhall they conſider.

CHAP. LIII.

*The Prophet complaining of incredulity exa-
meth the ſcandall of the croſſe, 4 by the benefit of
his paſſion. 10 and the good ſucceſſe thereof.*

WHo hath beleeued our report? and to whom
is the arme of the LORD reuealed? *John 12.
38.rom.
2 For hee ſhall grow vp before him as a tender 10.16.
plant,and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no ‖ Or,40.
forme nor comelineſſe: and when we ſhall ſee him, Eſtrine: &
there is no beauty that we ſhould deſire him. Hebr.
3 *He is deſpiſed and reiected of men,a man of hearing
ſorrowes, and acquainted with griefe: and ‖ wee * Chap.
hid as it were our faces from him, hee was deſpi- 32.14.
ſed,and we eſteemed him not. mar.9.12
4 ¶ Surely *he hath borne our griefes,and car- ‖ Or,he
ried our ſorrowes: yet we did eſteeme him ſtric- hid as it
ken ſmitten of God,and afflicted. were his
5 But he was ‖*wounded for our tranſgreſſions, face from
vs.Heb.
as a hiding of faces, from him or from vs, * Mat. 8.18.for
tormented. * Rom.4.25.1.cor.15.3. our

*1.Pet. 2.24. he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *was* vpon him, and with his *† stripes we are healed.

† Hebr. bruise.

6 All we like sheepe haue gone astray; wee haue turned euery one to his owne way, and the LORD hath † laid on him the iniquity of vs all.

† Hebr. he hath made the iniquity of vs all to meet on him.

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet * he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a * lambe to the slaughter, and as a sheepe before her shearers is dumbe, so he openeth not his mouth.

* Matth. 26.63. & 27.12. Marke 14.61. & 15 6. *Actes 8.32.

8 ‖ He was taken from prison, and from iudgement: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the liuing, for the transgression of my people † was he stricken.

‖ Or, he was taken away by oppresse & iudgement: but, &c. † Hebr. was she stroke vpon him.

9 And he made his graue with the wicked, and with the rich in his † death, because he had done no violence, neither was any * deceit in his mouth.

† Hebr. deaths. *1.Pet. 2.22. 1.ioh 3.5.

10 ¶ Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him: hee hath put *him* to griefe: ‖ when thou shalt make his soule an offering for sinne, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* dayes, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

‖ Or, when his soule shall make an offering* *Marke 15.28. luke 22.37. * Luke 24.44.

11 He shall see of the trauile of his soule, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous seruant iustifie many: for he shall beare their iniquities.

12 Therefore will I diuide him *a portion* with the great, and hee shall diuide the spoile with the strong: because he hath powred out his soule vnto death: and he was * numbered with the transgressours, and he bare the sin of many, and * made intercession for the transgressours.

* Luke 22.37.

CHAP. LIIII.

1 The Prophet for the comfort of the Gentiles, prophesieth the amplitude of their Church. 4 Their safety, 6 their certaine deliuerance out of affliction, 11 their faire edification. 15 and their sure preseruation.

* Gal. 4.27.

SIng, * O barren, thou *that* diddest not beare; breake foorth into singing, and cry aloud, thou *that* didst not trauell with childe: for more *are* the children of the desolate, then the children of the married wife, saith the LORD.

2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes.

3 For thou shalt breake forth on the right hand, and on the left; & thy seed shall inherite the Gentiles, & make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

4 Feare not: for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded, for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproch of thy widowhood any more.

* Luke 1.32.

5 For thy Maker *is* thine husband (the * LORD of hosts is his Name:) & thy Redeemer the holy One of Israel, the God of the whole earth shall he be called.

6 For the LORD hath called thee as a woman forsaken, and grieued in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

7 For a small moment haue I forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee.

8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee, for a moment; but with euerlasting kindnesse will I haue mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.

* Gene. 8.11.

9 For this *is as* the waters of * Noah vnto me: for *as* I haue sworne, the waters of Noah should no more goe ouer the earth; so haue I sworne that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.

10 For the mountaines shal depart, & the hilles be removed: but my kindnesse shall not depart from thee, neither shall the Couenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

11 ¶ Oh thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, & not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with * faire colours, and lay thy foundations with Saphires.

12 And I will make thy windowes of Agates, and thy gates of Carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.

13 And all thy children shall be * taught of the LORD, and great *shalbe* the peace of thy children.

14 In righteousnesse shalt thou bee established: thou shalt be farre from oppression, for thou shalt not feare; and from terrour, for it shall not come neere thee.

15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by mee: whosoeuer shall gather together against thee, shall fall for thy sake.

16 Behold, I haue created the smith that bloweth the coales in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his worke, and I haue created the waster to destroy.

17 ¶ No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper: and euery tongue *that* shall rise against thee in iudgement, thou shalt condemne. This *is* the heritage of the seruants of the LORD, and their righteousnesse *is* of me, saith the LORD.

CHAP. LV.

1 The Prophet with the promises of Christ, inuiteth to faith, 6 and to repentance. 8 The incomprehensible excellency of them that be true.

HO, * euery one that thirsteth, come yee to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy and eate, yea, come, buy wine and milke without money, and without price.

2 Wherefore doe yee † spend money for *that* which is not bread? and ye labour for *that* which satisfieth not? hearken diligently vnto me, and eate ye that which is good, and let your soule delight it selfe in fatnesse.

3 Encline your eare, and come vnto me: heare, and your soule shall liue, and I will make an euerlasting Couenant with you, *euen* the * sure mercies of Dauid.

4 Behold, I haue giuen him for a witnesse to the people, a leader and commander to the people.

5 Behold, thou shalt call a nation *that* thou knowest not, and nations *that* knew not thee shall run vnto thee, because of the LORD thy God, and for the holy One of Israel, for he hath glorified thee.

6 ¶ Seeke ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye vpon him while he is neere.

7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the vnrighteous man his thoughts: and let him returne vnto the LORD, and he will haue mercy vpon him, and to our God, for he will † abundantly pardon.

8 ¶ For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your wayes my wayes, saith the LORD.

9 For *as* the heauen are higher then the earth, so are my wayes higher then your wayes, and my thoughts then your thoughts.

10 For as the raine commeth downe, & the snow from heauen, & returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, & maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may giue seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

11 So shall my word be, that goeth forth of my mouth: it shall not returne vnto me voyd, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in* the thing whereto I sent it.

12 For ye shall go out with ioy, and be led forth with peace: the mountaines & the hilles shall

136. 6.17.18.

with before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

13 Instead of the thorne shall come vp the firre-tree, & in stead of the brier shall come vp the mirtle tree, and it shall be to the LORD for a Name, for an euerlasting signe that shall not bee cut off.

CHAP. LVI.

1 The Prophet exhorteth to sanctification. 3 He promiseth it shall be generall, without respect of persons. 9 He inueigheth against blinde watchmen.

THus saith the LORD, Keepe yee ‖ iudgement, and doe iustice: for my saluation is neere to come, and my righteousnesse to be reuealed. *Ier.*

2 Blessed *is* the man *that* doth this, and the sonne of man *that* layeth hold on it: that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any euill.

3 ¶ Neither let the sonne of the stranger, that hath ioyned himselfe to the LORD, speake saying, The LORD hath vtterly separated me from his people: neither let the Eunuch say, behold, *I am* a dry tree.

4 For thus saith the LORD vnto the Eunuches, that keepe my Sabbaths, and chuse the things that please me, and take hold of my Couenant:

5 Euen vnto them will I giue in mine house, and within my walls a place, and a name better then of sonnes and of daughters: I will giue them an euerlasting name that shall not be cut off.

6 Also the sons of the stranger that ioyne themselues to the LORD to serue him, and to loue the name of the LORD, to be his seruants, euery one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my Couenant:

7 Euen them will I * bring to my holy mountaine, and make them ioyfull in my house of prayer: their burnt offrings, and their sacrifices *shall be* accepted vpon mine Altar: for mine house shall be called an * house of prayer for all people.

8 The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel, saith, Yet will I gather *others* to him, besides those that are gathered vnto him.

9 ¶ All ye beasts of the field, come to deuoure, all ye beasts in the forrest.

10 His watchmen *are* blinde: they *are* all ignorant, they *are* all dumbe dogs, they cannot barke; sleeping, lying downe, louing to slumber.

11 Yea, they *are* † greedy dogs, *which* † can neuer haue enough, and they *are* shepherds *that* cannot vnderstand: they all looke to their owne way, euery one for his gaine from his quarter. *Isa. 5.22.*

12 Come ye, *say they*, I will fetch wine, and we will fill our selues with strong drinke, and to morrow shall be as this day, *and* much more abundant.

CHAP. LVII.

The blessed death of the righteous. 3 God reproueth the Iewes for their whorish idolatry. 13 Hee giueth euangelicall promises to the penitent.

THe righteous perisheth and no man layeth it to heart; and † * mercifull men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away, ‖ from the euill *to come*.

2 He shall ‖ enter *into* peace: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking ‖ *in* his vprightnesse.

3 ¶ But draw neere hither, ye sonnes of the sorceresse, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.

4 Against whom doe ye sport your selues? against whom make ye a wide mouth, *and* draw out the tongue? *are* ye not children of transgression, a seed of falshood?

5 Inflaming your selues ‖ with idoles * vnder euery greene tree, slaying the children in the valleys vnder the clifts of the rockes?

6 Among the smooth stones of the streame is thy portion; they, they are thy lot: euen to them hast thou powred a drinke offering, thou hast offered a meate offering. Should I receiue comfort in these?

7 Vpon a lofty & high mountaine hast ‖ thou set thy bed: euen thither wentest thou vp to offer sacrifice.

8 Behind the doores also and the posts hast thou set vp thy remembrance: for thou hast discouered thy selfe to *another* then mee, and art gone vp: thou hast enlarged thy bed, and † made a Couenant with them: thou louedst their bed ‖ where thou sawest it.

9 And ‖ thou wentest to the King with ointment, and didst increase thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers farre off, and didst debase thy selfe euen vnto hell.

10 Thou art wearied in the greatnes of thy way; *yet* saidst thou not, There is no hope: Thou hast found the ‖ life of thine hand; therefore thou was not grieued.

11 And of whom hast thou beene afraid, or feared, that thou hast lied, and hast not remembred me, nor laid *it* to thy heart? haue not I held my peace euen of old, and thou fearest me not?

12 I will declare thy righteousnesse, and thy workes, for they shall not profit thee.

13 ¶ When thou cryest; let thy companies deliuer thee: but the winde shall carry them all away, vanity shall take *them*: but he that putteth his trust in me, shall possesse the land, and shall inherite my holy mountaine.

14 And shall say, * Cast ye vp, cast ye vp; prepare the way, take vp the stumbling blocke out of the way of my people.

15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose Name *is* holy; I dwell in the high and holy *place* with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit to reuiue the spirit of ‖ humble, & to reuiue the heart of the contrite ones.

16 For I will not contend for euer, neither will I be alwayes wroth: for the spirit should faile before me, and the soules *which* I haue made.

17 For the iniquity of his couetousnesse was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

18 I haue seene his wayes, and will heale him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts vnto him and to his mourners.

19 I create the fruit of the lips; peace, peace to him that is farre off, and to him that is neere, saith the LORD, and I will heare him.

20 But the wicked *are* like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast vp mire and dirt.

21 * *There is* no peace saith my God, to ‖ wicked.

CHAP. LVIII.

1 The Prophet being sent to reproue hypocrisie, 3 expresseth a counterfait fast and a true. 8 Hee declareth what promises are due vnto godlinesse, 13 and to the keeping of the Sabbath.

CRy † aloud, spare not lift vp thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Iacob their sinnes.

2 Yet they seeke me daily, and delight to know my wayes, as a nation that did righteousnesse, and forsooke not the ordinance of their God: they aske of me the ordinances of Iustice: they take delight in approaching to God.

3 ¶ Wherefore haue we fasted, *say they*, and thou seest not? *wherefore* haue we afflicted our soule, & thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in ‖ day of your fast you find pleasure, and exact all your ‖ labours.

4 Behold, ye fast for striue and debate; and to smite with the fist of wickednesse, ye shall not fast

† Or, hewed it for thy selfe larger then thou couldest. ‖ Or, thou provided rooms. ‖ Or, thou vexed Gods the King. † Or, living.

* Chap. 40.3. and 62.10.

† Heb. turning away.

† Heb. with the throat. ‖ Or, things wherein ye delight. Heb. others. Heb. griefes. ‖ Or, ye fast not as this day.

as *ye do* this day to make your voyce to bee heard on high.

* Zech. 7.5. 5 Is it * such a fast *that* I haue chosen? a * ‖ day for a man to afflict his soule? *is it* to bow downe his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes vnder him? wilt thou call this a fast, and an * Leuit. 16.29. ‖ *Or, to afflict his soule* acceptable day to the LORD?

6 Is not this the fast that I haue chosen? to loose the bands of wickednesse, to vndoe † the heauy burdens, and to let the † oppressed goe free; and that ye breake euery yoke?

† *Heb. the bundles of the yoke.* † *Hebr. broken.*

7 Is it not to ‖ deale thy bread to the hungry and that thou bring the poore that are ‖ cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou couer him, and that thou hide not thy selfe from thine owne flesh?

* Ezek. 18.8. ‖ *Or, afflicted,* † *Hebr. shall gather thee vp.*

8 ¶ Then shall thy light breake forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousnesse shall goe before thee; the glory of the LORD † shall be thy rereward.

9 Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answere; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I *am*: if thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, & speaking vanity:

10 And *if* thou draw out thy soule to the hungry, and satisfie the afflicted soule: then shall thy light rise in obscurity, & thy darknesse be as ‖ noone day.

† *Hebr. droughts* † *Hebr. bones, or decaye.*

11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfie thy soule in † drought, & make fat thy bones: and thou shalt bee like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters † faile not.

* Chap. 61.6.

12 And *they that shall be* of thee, * shall build the olde waste places: thou shalt raise vp the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt bee called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in.

13 ¶ If thou turne away thy foot from the Sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable, and shalt honour him, not doing thine owne wayes, nor finding thine owne pleasure, nor speaking *thine owne* words:

14 Then shalt thou delight thy selfe in the LORD, and I will cause thee to * ride vpon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Iacob thy father; for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

* Deut. 32.13.

CHAP. LIX.

* Numb. 11.23. cha. 50.2. ‖ *Or, haue made him hide.* * Chap. 1.15. * Iob 15. 35. psal. 7.15. ‖ *Or, adders.* ‖ *Or, that which is sprinkled, as as if there brake out a viper.* * Iob 8. 14.15. * Pr. 1.16. Rom. 3.15.

1 The damnable nature of sinne. 3 The sinnes of the Iewes. 9 Calamity is for sinne. 16 Saluation is onely of God. 20 The Couenant of the Redeemer.

BEhold, the LORDS hand is not * shortned, that it cannot saue, neither his eare heauy that it cannot heare:

2 But your iniquities haue separated betweene you and your God, and your sinnes ‖ haue hid *his* face from you that he will not heare.

3 For * your hands are defild with blood, and your fingers with iniquity, your lips haue spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered peruersenesse.

4 None calleth for iustice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity and speake lies, * they conceiue mischiefe, and bring forth iniquity.

5 They hatch ‖ cockatrice egges, and weaue the spiders webbe: he that eateth of their egges dieth, and ‖ that which is crushed, breaketh out into a Viper

6 * Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they couer themselues with their workes: their workes *are* workes of iniquity, and the act of violence *is* in their hands.

7 * Their feet run to euill, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts *are* thoughts of iniquity, wasting and † destruction are in their pathes.

8 The way of peace they know not, and there is no ‖ iudgement in their goings: they haue made them crooked paths, whosoeuer goeth therein shall not know peace.

9 ¶ Therefore is iudgement farre from vs, neither doth iustice ouertake vs: we wait for light, but behold obscurity, for brightnesse, *but we walke* in darkenesse.

10 We grope for the wall like the blinde, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noone day as in the night, *we are* in desolate places as dead men.

11 We roare all like beares, and mourne sore like doues: we looke for iudgement, but *there is none*, for saluation, *but* it is farre off from vs.

12 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testifie against vs; for our transgressions *are* with vs, and as for our iniquities we know them:

13 In transgressing and lying against the Lord, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and reuolt, conceiuing and vttering from the heart words of falshood.

14 And iudgement is turned away backward, and iustice standeth afarre off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

15 Yea, truth faileth, and he that departeth from euill, ‖ maketh himselfe a prey: and the LORD saw *it*, and † it displeased him that *there was* no iudgement.

16 ¶ And he saw that *there was* no man, and wondered that *there was* no intercessour: therefore his arme brought saluation vnto him, and his righteousnesse it sustained him.

17 For he put on *righteousnesse as a brigandine, and an helmet of saluation vpon his head: and he put on the garments of vengeance *for* clothing, and was clad with zeale *as* a cloake.

18 According to * *their* † deeds, accordingly he will repay, fury to his aduersaries, recompence to his enemies, to the ilands he will repay recompence.

19 So shall they feare the Name of the LORD from the West, and his glory from the rising of the Sun: when the enemy shall come in * like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall ‖ lift vp a standard against him

20 ¶ And the * Redeemer shall come to Zion, and vnto them that turne from transgression in Iacob, saith the LORD.

21 As for me, this *is* my couenant with them, saith the LORD; My Spirit that *is* vpon thee, and my words which I haue put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seeds seed, saith the LORD, from henceforth and for euer.

CHAP. LX.

1 The glory of the Church in the abundance of the Gentiles, 15 and the great blessings after short affliction.

ARise, ‖ shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen vpon thee.

2 For behold, the darknes shall couer the earth, and grosse darknes the people: but the LORD shall arise vpon thee, & his glory shall be seene vpon thee.

3 *And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and Kings to the brightnesse of thy rising.

4 † Lift vp thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselues together, they come to thee: thy sonnes shall come from farre, and thy daughters shall be nursed at *thy* side.

5 Then thou ſhalt ſee, & flow together, and thine heart ſhall feare and be enlarged, becauſe the ‖ abundance of the Sea ſhall be conuerted vnto thee, the ‖ forces of the Gentiles ſhall come vnto thee.

6 The multitude of Camels ſhall couer thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah: all they from Sheba, ſhall come they ſhal bring *gold & incenſe, and they ſhall ſhew forth the praiſes of the LORD.

7 All the flocks of Kedar ſhalbe gathered together vnto thee, the rams of Nebaioth ſhall miniſter vnto thee: they ſhall come vp with acceptance on mine Altar & I will glorifie the houſe of my glory.

8 Who *are* theſe that flie as a cloud, and as the doues to their windowes?

9 Surely the Iles ſhall wait for me, and the ſhips of Tarſhiſh firſt, *to bring thy ſonnes from farre, their ſiluer and their gold with them, vnto the Name of the LORD thy God, and to the holy One of Iſrael, becauſe he hath glorified thee.

10 And the ſonnes of ſtrangers ſhall build vp thy walls, and their Kings ſhall miniſter vnto thee: for in my wrath I ſmote thee, but in my fauour haue I had mercy on thee.

11 Therefore thy gates *ſhall bee open continually, they ſhall not be ſhut day nor night, that *men* may bring vnto thee the ‖ forces of the Gentiles, and that their Kings may be brought.

12 For the nation and kingdome that will not ſerue thee, ſhall periſh, yea thoſe nations ſhall bee vtterly waſted.

13 The glory of Lebanon ſhall come vnto thee, the Firre-tree, the Pine-tree and the Box together, to beautifie the place of my Sanctuary, and I will make the place of my feet glorious.

14 The ſons alſo of them that afflicted thee, ſhall come bending vnto thee, and all they that deſpiſed thee, ſhall *bow themſelues downe at the ſoles of thy feet, and they ſhall call thee the city of the LORD, the Zion of the holy One of Iſrael.

15 Whereas thou haſt beene forſaken and hated, ſo that no man went thorow *thee*, I will make thee an eternall excellency, a ioy of many generations.

16 Thou ſh. lt alſo ſucke the milke of the Gentiles, and ſhalt ſucke the breaſt of Kings, and thou ſhalt know that I the LORD *am* thy Sauiour, and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Iacob.

17 For braſſe I will bring gold, and for yron I will bring ſiluer, and for wood braſſe, and for ſtones yron: I will alſo make thine officers peace, and thine exactors righteouſneſſe.

18 Violence ſhall no more be heard in thy land, waſting nor deſtructiõ within thy borders but thou ſhalt call thy walls ſaluation, and thy gates praiſe.

19 *The Sun ſhalbe no more thy light by day, neither for brightneſſe ſhall the Moone giue light vnto thee: but the LORD ſhalbe vnto thee an euerlaſting light, and thy God thy glory.

20 Thy Sunne ſhall no more goe downe, neither ſhall thy Moone withdraw it ſelfe: for the LORD ſhall bee thine euerlaſting light, and the dayes of thy mourning ſhalbe ended.

21 Thy people alſo *ſhalbe* all righteous, they ſhall inherit the land for euer, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands that I may be glorified.

22 A little one ſhall become a thouſand, and a ſmall one a ſtrong nation: I the LORD will haſten it in his time.

CHAP. LXI.

1 *The office of Chriſt.* 4 *The former deſſe,* 7 *and bleſſings of the faithfull.*

THE * Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* vpon mee, becauſe the LORD hath anointed mee to preach good tidings vnto the meeke, he hath ſent me to bind vp the broken hearted, to proclaime liberty to the captiues, and the opening of the priſon to them that are bound:

2 To proclaime the acceptable yere of the LORD and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all that mourne:

3 To appoint vnto them that mourne in Zion, to giue vnto them beauty for aſhes, the oyle of ioy for mourning, the garment of praiſe for the ſpirit of heauineſſe: that they might be called trees of righteouſnes, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

4 ¶ And they ſhall * build the old waſtes, they ſhall raiſe vp the former deſolations, and they ſhall repaire the waſte cities, the deſolations of many generations. * Chap. 58.12.

5 And ſtrangers ſhall ſtand and feed your flocks and the ſons of the alient ſhall be your plow men, and your vine-dreſſers.

6 But ye ſhalbe named the Prieſts of the LORD: men ſhall call you the Miniſters of our God: * ye ſhall eate the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory ſh. ll you boaſt your ſelues. * Chap. 60. 6.

7 ¶ For your ſhame *you ſhall haue* double; and for confuſion they ſhall reioyce in their portion: therefore in their land they ſhall poſſeſſe the double: euerlaſting ioy ſhall be vnto them.

8 For I the LORD lone iudgement, I hate robbery for burnt offering, and I will direct their worke in truth, and I will make an euerlaſting couenant with them.

9 And their ſeed ſhall be knowne among the Gentiles, and their off-ſpring among the people: All that ſee them, ſhall acknowledge them, that they are the ſeed *which* the LORD hath bleſſed.

10 I will greatly reioyce in the LORD, my ſoule ſhall be ioyfull in my God: for hee hath clothed me with the garments of ſaluation, he hath couered me with the robe of righteouſneſſe, as a bridegroome † deckeith himſelfe with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth her ſelfe with her iewels. † Hebr. decketh as a Prieſt.

11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden cauſeth the things that are ſowen in it to ſpring foorth: ſo the Lord GOD will cauſe righteouſneſſe and praiſe to ſpring forth before all the nations.

CHAP. LXII.

1 *The feruent deſire of the Prophet to confirme the Church in Gods promiſes.* 5 *The office of the miniſters (vnto which they are incited) in preaching the Goſpel,* 10 *and preparing the people thereto.*

FOr Zions ſake will I not hold my peace, and for Ieruſalems ſake I will not reſt, vntill the righteouſnes thereof goe forth as brightneſſe, and the ſaluation thereof as a lampe *that* burneth;

2 And the Gentiles ſhall ſee thy righteouſnes, and all kings thy glory, and † ſhalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD ſhall name,

3 Thou ſhalt alſo be a crowne of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royall diademe in the hand of thy God. *Oſe. 2. 1 Pet. 2. 10 ‖ That is, my delights in her.

4 Thou ſhalt no more be termed, *forſaken, neither ſhall thy land any more be termed, Deſolate: but thou ſhalt be called ‖ Hephzi-bah, and thy land ‖ Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land ſhall be married. ‖ That is, married.

5 ¶ For *as* a young man marryeth a virgine, ſo ſhall thy ſonnes marry thee: and † *as* the bride groome reioyceth ouer the bride, ſo ſhall thy God reioyce ouer thee. † Hebr. with the ioy of the bride-groome.

6 I haue ſet watchmen vpon thy walles, O Ieru-

salem, which shall neuer hold their peace day nor
night: ‖ ye that make mention of the LORD, keep
not silence:

‖ *Or, ye that are the Lords remem brancers.*

7 And giue him no † rest till hee establish, and
till he make Ierusalem a praise in the earth.

† *Hebr.* silence

8 The LORD hath sworne by his right hand, and
by the arme of his strength, † Surely I will no more
giue thy corne to bee meat for thine enemies, and
the sonnes of the stranger shall not drinke thy wine,
for the which thou hast labour'd:

† *Hebr.* if he giue, &c.

9 But they that haue gathered it shall eat it, and
praise the LORD, and they that haue brought it to-
gether, shall drinke it in the courts of my Holines.

10 ¶ *Goe thorow, goe thorow the gates: pre-
pare you the way of the people; cast vp, cast vp the
high-way, gather out the stones, lift vp the standard
for the people.

* Chap. 40.3. &c 57.14.

11 Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed vnto the
end of the world, *Say ye to the daughter of Zion,
Behold, thy saluation commeth; behold, his * re-
ward *is* with him, and his ‖ worke before him.

* Zach. 9.9. matt. 21.5. iohn 12.15.

12 And they shall call them, The holy people:
the redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt be cal-
led, Sought out, a city not forsaken.

*Chap. 40.10.

‖ *Or, recompence.*

CHAP. LXIII.

*1 Christ sheweth who he is, 2 what his victory
ouer his enemies, 7 and what his mercy towards his
Church. 10 In his iust wrath he remembreth his
mercy. 15 The Church in their prayer, 17 and
complaint, professe their faith.*

WHo *is* this that commeth from Edom, with
dyed garments from Bozrah? This that is
† glorious in his apparell, trauelling in the great-
nesse of his strength? I that speake in righteous-
nesse, mighty to saue.

† *Hebr.* decked.

2 Wherefore *art* thou red in thine apparell, and
thy garments like him that treadeth in *y* wine fat?

*Reuel. 19.13.

3 I haue troden the winepresse alone, and of the
people *there was* none with mee: for I will tread
them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury,
and their blood shall bee sprinkled vpon my gar-
ments, and I will staine all my raiment.

4 For the * day of vengeance *is* in mine heart,
and the yeere of my redeemed is come.

* Chap. 34.8.

5 And I looked, and *there was* none to helpe: and
I wondred that *there was* none to vphold: there-
fore mine owne * arme brought saluation vnto me,
and my fury it vpheld mee.

* Chap. 59.16.

6 And I will tread downe the people in mine
anger, and make them drunke in my fury, and I will
bring downe their strength to the earth.

7 ¶ I will mention the louing kindnesses of the
LORD, *and* the praises of the LORD, according to
all that the LORD hath bestowed on vs, and the
great goodnesse toward the house of Israel, which
hee hath bestowed on them, according to his mer-
cies, and according to the multitude of his louing
kindnesses.

8 For hee said, Surely they *are* my people, chil-
dren *that* will not lie: So hee was their Sauiour.

* Deut. 7.7.8.

9 In all their affliction hee was afflicted, and
the Angel of his presence saued them: * in his loue
and in his pity hee redeemed them, and hee bare
them, and carryed them all the dayes of old.

* Exod. 23.24. num. 14. 21. psal. 78.57. & 95.9.

10 ¶ But they * rebelled, and vexed his holy Spi-
rit: therefore hee was turned to bee their enemy,
and hee fought against them.

* Exodo. 14.30.

11 Then hee remembred the dayes of old, Moses,
and his people, *saying*, Where *is he* that * brought
them vp out of the Sea, with the ‖ shepheard of
his flocke? Where *is hee* that put his holy Spirit
within him?

‖ *Or, shepherds, as* Psa. 77.21.

12 That led *them* by the right hand of Moses
with his glorious arme, * diuiding the water be-
fore them, to make himself an euerlasting Name?

* Exod. 14.21.

13 That led them thorow the deepe, as an horse
in the wildernesse, *that* they should not stumble?

14 As a beast goeth downe into the valley, the
Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest, so didst
thou lead thy people, to make thy selfe a glorious
Name.

15 ¶ * Looke downe from heauen, and behold
from the habitation of thy holinesse, and of thy
glory: where *is* thy zeale and thy strength, the
sounding of thy bowels, and of thy mercies to-
wards mee? are they restrained?

* Deut. 26.15. psal. 80.14.

16 Doubtlesse thou art our Father, though Abra-
ham be ignorant of vs, and Israel acknowl. dge
not: thou, O LORD, *art* our Father, ‖ our Redee-
mer, thy Name *is* from euerlasting.

‖ *Or*, Redeemer, thy Name *is* from euerlasting.

17 ¶ O LORD, Why hast thou made vs to erre
from thy wayes? *and* hardened our heart from thy
feare? Returne for thy seruants sake, the tribes of
thine inheritance.

18 The people of thy holinesse haue possessed it
but a little while: our aduersaries haue troden
downe thy Sanctuary.

19 Wee are *thine*, thou neuer barest rule ouer
them, † they were not called by thy Name.

† *Hebr.* we were not called by thy Name.

CHAP. LXIIII.

*1 The Church prayeth for the manifestation of Gods
power. 5 Celebrating Gods mercy: 6 maketh con-
fession of their naturall corruptions. 9 It complai-
neth of their affliction.*

OH that thou wouldest rent the heauens, that
thou wouldest come downe, that the mou-
taines might flow downe at thy presence,

2 As *when* † the melting fire burneth, the fire
causeth the waters to boyle, to make thy Name
knowne to thine aduersaries, *that* the nations may
tremble at thy presence.

† *Hebr.* the melting of fire burneth the fire.

3 When thou diddest terrible things, *which* wee
looked not for, thou camest downe, the mountains
flowed downe at thy presence.

4 For since the beginning of the world, * men
haue not heard, nor perceiued by the eare, neither
hath the eye ‖ seene, O God, beside thee, what he
hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.

* 1. Cor. 2.9.

‖ *Or*, seene, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.

5 Thou meetest him that reioyceth and worket
righteousnesse, *those that* remember thee in thy
wayes: behold, thou art wroth, for wee haue sin-
ned: in those is continuance, and we shall be saued.

6 But wee are all as an vncleane thing, and all
our righteousnesses are as filthy ragges, and wee all
doe * fade as a leafe, and our iniquities like the
wind, haue taken vs away.

* Chap. 34.4.

7 And there is none that calleth vpon thy Name,
that stirreth vp himselfe to take hold of thee: for
thou hast hid thy face from vs, and hast † consumed
vs because of our iniquities.

† *Hebr.* melted vs.

8 But now, O LORD, thou *art* our Father: wee
are the clay, and thou our potter, *and* we all *are* the
worke of thine hand.

9 ¶ Be not * wroth very sore, O LORD, neither
remember iniquity for euer: behold, see we beseech
thee, we *are* all thy people.

* Esay 47.6. Zach. 1.2.

10 Thy holy cities are a wildernesse, Zion is a
wildernesse, Ierusalem a desolation.

11 Our holy and our beautifull house, where our
fathers praised thee, is burnt vp with fire, and all
our pleasant things are laid waste.

12 Wilt thou refraine thy selfe for these things
O LORD? wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict vs
very sore?

CHAP.

CHAP. LXV.

1 The calling of the Gentiles. 2 The Iewes for their wretchednes, idolatry, and hypocrisie, are reiected. 8 A remnant shall be saued. 11 Iudgements for the wicked, and blessings on the godly. 17 The blessed state of the new Ierusalem.

1 Am * sought of them that asked not for mee: I am found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, vnto a nation that was not called by my Name.

2 I haue spread out my hands all the day vnto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their owne thoughts:

3 A people that prouoketh mee to anger continually to my face, that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense † vpon altars of bricke:

4 Which remaine among the graues, and lodge in the monuments, which eat swines flesh; and broth of abominable things is in their vessels:

5 Which say, Stand by thy selfe, come not neere to mee: for I am holier then thou: these are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day.

6 Behold, it is written before mee: I will not keepe silence, but will recompense, euen recompense into their bosome,

7 Your iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together (saith the LORD) which haue burnt incense vpon the mountaines, and blasphemed mee vpon the hils: therefore will I measure their former worke into their bosome.

8 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one saith, Destroy it not, for a blessing is in it: so will I doe for my seruants sakes, that I may not destroy them all.

9 And I will bring foorth a seed out of Iacob, and out of Iudah an inheritour of my mountaines: and mine elect shall inherite it, and my seruants shall dwell there.

10 And Sharon shalbe a fold of flockes, and the valley of Achor a place for the heards to lie downe in, for my people that haue sought mee.

11 ¶ But ye are they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy mountaine, that prepare a table for that troupe, and that furnish the drinke offering vnto that number.

12 Therefore will I number you to the sword, and shall all bow downe to the slaughter: * because when I called, yee did not answere, when I spake, yee did not heare, * but did euill before mine eyes, and did chuse that wherein I delighted not.

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, my seruants shall eat, but yee shall be hungry: behold, my seruants shall drinke, but yee shall be thirsty: behold, my seruants shall reioyce, but yee shalbe ashamed.

14 Behold, my seruants shall sing for ioy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howle for † vexation of spirit.

15 And ye shall leaue your name for a curse vnto my chosen: for the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call his seruants by another name:

16 That he who blesseth himselfe in the earth, shall blesse himselfe in the God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth, shall sweare by the God of truth, because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.

17 ¶ For behold, I create * new heauens, and a new earth: and the former shall not bee remembred, nor † come into mind. *Rev. 20. 2 Pet. 3.*

18 But bee you glad and reioyce for euer in *that* which I create: for behold, I create Ierusalem a reioycing, and her people a ioy.

19 And I will reioyce in Ierusalem, and ioy in my people, and the * voyce of weeping shall bee no more heard in her, nor the voyce of crying. * Reuel. 21.4.

20 There shall bee no more thence an infant of daies, nor an old man that hath not filled his daies: for the child shal die an hundred yeres old: but the sinner being an hundred yeeres old shall be accursed.

21 And they shall build houses, & inhabit *them*, & they shall plant vineyards, & eat the fruit of them.

22 They shall not build, and another inhabite: they shall not plant, and another eat; for as the dayes of a tree *are* the dayes of my people, & mine elect shall long enioy the worke of their hands.

23 They shal not labour in vaine, nor bring forth for trouble: for they *are* the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their off-spring with them. † Hebr. *Shall make them continue long or shall weare out.*

24 And it shall come to passe, that * before they call, I will answere, and whiles they are yet speaking, I will heare.

25 The * wolfe and the lambe shall feed together, and the lyon shall eat straw like the bullocke: and dust shall be the serpents meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountaine, saith the LORD. * Psa. 32.5. & Isa. 58. 6, 7.

CHAP. LXVI.

1 The glorious God will be serued in humble sincerity. 5 He comforteth the humble with the marueilous generation, 10 and with the gracious benefits of the Church. 15 Gods seuere iudgements against the wicked. 19 The Gentiles shall haue an holy Church, 23 and see the damnation of the wicked.

THus saith the LORD, * the heauen *is* my throne, and the earth *is* my footestoole: where is the house that yee build vnto mee? and where is the place of my rest? * 1. Kings 8.27. 2. cor. 6. 18. Act. 7. 49. & 17. 24.

2 For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things haue been, saith the LORD: but to this *man* will I looke, *euen* to him *that is* poore and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.

3 He that killeth an oxe, *is as if* he slew a man: he that sacrificeth a ‖ lambe, *as if* hee cut off a dogs necke: he that offereth an oblation, *as if he offered* swines blood: he that burneth incense, *as if* he blessed an idole: yea they haue chosen their owne wayes, and their soule delighteth in their abominations. ‖ Or, kid. † Hebr. *maketh a memorial of.*

4 I also will chuse their ‖ delusions: and will bring their feares vpon them, * because when I called, none did answere: when I spake, they did not heare: but * they did euill before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not. ‖ Or, *deuices.* * Prou. 1. 24. Ier. 7. 13. * Chap. 65. 12.

5 ¶ Heare the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word: your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my Names sake, said, * Let the LORD be glorified: but hee shall appeare to your ioy, and they shalbe ashamed. * Chap. 5. 19.

6 A voyce of noise from the city, a voyce from the Temple, a voyce of the LORD, that rendreth recompence to his enemies.

7 Before she trauailed, she brought forth: before her paine came, she was deliuered of a man child.

8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seene such things? shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day, or shall a nation be borne at once? for assoone as Zion trauailed, shee brought foorth her children.

9 Shall I ‖ bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth, saith the LORD? shall I cause to bring forth, and shut *the wombe*, saith thy God? ‖ Or, *beget?*

10 Reioyce ye with Ierusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that loue her: reioyce for ioy with her, all ye that mourne for her:

11 That yee may suck, and bee satisfied with the breasts

breasts of her consolations: that ye may milke out, & be delighted with the ‖ abundance of her glory.
‖ Or, brightnes
12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a riuer, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing streame: then shall yee suckle, yee shall bee * borne vpon *her* sides, and be dandled vpon her knees.
* Chap. 49.22. & 60.4.
13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you: and ye shalbe comforted in Ierusalem.
14 And when ye see *this*, your heart shall reioyce, and your bones shall flourish like an herbe: & the hand of the LORD shall be knowne toward his seruants, and *his* indignation towards his enemies.
15 For behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his charets like a whirlewind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.
16 For by fire, and by his sword, will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slaine of the LORD shalbe many.
17 They that sanctifie themselues, and purifie themselues in the gardens, ‖ behind one *tree* in the midst, eating swines flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse shall bee consumed together, saith the LORD.
‖ Or, one after another.
18 For I *know* their workes and their thoughts: it shall come that I will gather all nations and tongues, and they shall come and see my glory.
19 And I will set a signe among them, and I will send those that escape of them, vnto the nations, Tarshish, Pul, & Lud, that draw the bow, to Tubal and Iauan, to the Iles afarre off, that haue not heard my fame, neither haue seene my glory, and they shall declare my glory among the Gentiles.
20 And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering vnto the LORD, out of all nations, vpon horses, and in charets, and in ‖ litters, and vpon mules, and vpon swift beasts, to my holy mountaine Ierusalem, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a cleane vessell into the house of the LORD.
‖ Or, litters.
21 And I will also take of them for * Priests and for Leuites, saith the LORD.
22 For as * the new heauens, and the new earth which I will make, shall remaine before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remaine.
23 And it shall come to passe, that from one new Moone to another, and from one Sabboth to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.
24 And they shall goe forth, and looke vpon the carcases of the men that haue transgressed against me: for their * worme shall not die, neither shall their fire bee quenched, and they shall be an abhorring vnto all flesh.

¶ THE BOOKE OF THE PROPHET IEREMIAH.

CHAP. I.

1 The time, 3 and the calling of Ieremiah, 11 His prophetical visions of an Almond rod, and a seething pot. 15 His heauy message against Iudah, 17 God encourageth him with his promise of assistance.

THe words of Ieremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the Priests that *were* in Anathoth in the land of Beniamin:
2 To whom the word of the LORD came in the dayes of Iosiah the son of Amon, King of Iudah, in the thirteenth yeere of his reigne.
3 It came also in the dayes of Iehoiakim the son of Iosiah King of Iudah, vnto the end of the eleuenth yere of Zedekiah the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, vnto the carrying away of Ierusalem captiue in the fifth moneth.
4 Then the word of the LORD came vnto mee, saying,
* Is. 49. 1. & 49. 5.
5 Before I * formed thee in the belly, I knew thee, and before thou camest foorth out of the wombe, I * sanctified thee, *and* I † ordained thee a Prophet vnto the nations.
* Gal. 1. 15.
† Hebr. gaue.
6 Then said I, Ah * Lord GOD, behold, I cannot speake, for I *am* a child.
* Exo. 3. 4.
7 ¶ But the LORD said vnto mee, Say not, I *am* a child, for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoeuer I command thee, thou shalt speake.
* Exo. 3. 9. & 4. 12. Deu. 31. 6. 8. Iosh. 1. 5.
8 *Be not afraid of their faces: for * I *am* with thee to deliuer thee, saith the LORD.
Heb. 13. 6.
9 Then the LORD put foorth his hand, and touched my mouth, and the LORD said vnto mee, Behold, I haue * put my words in thy mouth.
* Isa. 6. 7. * Chap. 5. 14.
10 See, I haue this day set thee ouer the nations, and ouer the kingdomes, to * roote out, and to pull downe, and to destroy, and to throw downe, to build and to plant.
* Chap. 18. 7. 2. Cor. 10. 4. 5.
11 ¶ Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto mee, saying, Ieremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an Almond tree.
12 Then said the LORD vnto me, Thou hast well seene: for I will hasten my word to perform it.
13 And the word of the LORD came vnto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot, and the face thereof *is* toward the North.
14 Then the LORD said vnto mee, Out of the * North an euill † shall breake foorth vpon all the inhabitants of the land.
* Chap. 4. 6. & 6. 1. & 6. 22. & 10. 22. & 46. 20. & 47. 2. & 50. 3. 41. & 51. 48.
† Hebr. is opened.
15 For loe, I will * call all the families of the kingdomes of the North, saith the LORD, and they shall come, and they shall set euery one his throne at the entring of the gates of Ierusalem, and against all the walles thereof round about, and against all the cities of Iudah.
* Chap. 25. 9.
16 And I will vtter my iudgements against them touching all their wickednesse, who haue forsaken me, and haue burnt incense vnto other gods, and worshipped the workes of their owne hands.
17 ¶ Thou therefore gird vp thy loynes, and arise, and speake vnto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.
18 For behold, I haue made thee this day * an yron fenced citie, and an yron pillar, and brasen walles against the whole land, against the Kings of Iudah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.
* Ezek. 3. 8.
19 And they shall fight against thee, but they shall not preuaile against thee: for I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to deliuer thee.

CHAP. II.

1 God hauing shewed his former kindnesse, 4 pleadeth with the Iewes, their conspiracie is vile beyond any example. 14 They are the causes of their owne calamities. 20 The sinnes of Iudah. 37 Their confidence is reiected.

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Moreouer, the word of the LORD came to me, ſaying,

2 Goe, and cry in the eares of Ieruſalem, ſaying, Thus ſaith the LORD, I remember ‖ thee, the kindneſs of thy †youth, the loue of thine eſpouſals, when thou wenteſt after me in the wilderneſſe, in a land that was not ſowne.

3 Iſrael *was* holineſſe vnto the LORD, *and* the firſt fruits of his increaſe: all that deuoure him, ſhall offend, euill ſhall come vpon them, ſaith the LORD.

4 Heare ye the word of the LORD, O houſe of Iacob, and all the families of the houſe of Iſrael.

5 ¶ Thus ſaith the LORD, What iniquity haue your fathers found in me, that they are gone farre from me, and haue walked after vanity, and are become vaine?

6 Neither ſaid they, Where *is* the LORD, that *brought vs vp out of the land of Egypt? that led vs through the wilderneſſe, through a land of deſarts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the ſhadow of death, through a land that no man paſſeth through, and where no man dwelt.

7 And I brought you into a plentifull country, to eat the fruit thereof, and the goodneſſe thereof; but when ye entred, * ye defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination.

8 The Prieſts ſaid not, Where *is* the LORD? and they that handle the * Law, knew me not: the Paſtours alſo tranſgreſſed againſt me, & the Prophets propheſied by Baal, and walked after *things* that do not profit.

9 ¶ Wherefore, I will yet plead with you, ſaith the LORD, and with your childrens children, will I plead.

10 For paſſe ouer the yles of Chittim, and ſee and ſend vnto Kedar, and conſider diligently, and ſee if there be ſuch a thing.

11 Hath a nation changed their gods, which *are* * yet no gods? but my people haue changed their glory, for *that which* doth not profit.

12 Be aſtoniſhed, O ye heauens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very deſolate, ſaith the LORD.

13 For my people haue committed two euils: * they haue forſaken me, the fountaine of liuing waters, *and* hewed them out Ciſternes, broken Ciſternes that can hold no water.

14 ¶ Is Iſrael a ſeruant? Is he a home borne ſlaue? why is he † ſpoyled?

15 The young lyons roared vpon him, *and* † yelled, and they made his land waſte; his cities are burnt without inhabitant.

16 Alſo the children of Noph and Tahapanes haue ‖ broken the crowne of thy head.

17 Haſt thou not procured this vnto thy ſelfe, in that thou haſt forſaken the LORD thy God, when he led thee by the way?

18 And now, what haſt thou to doe in the way of Egypt, to drinke the waters of Sihor? Or what haſt thou to doe in the way of Aſſyria, to drinke the waters of the riuer?

19 Thine owne * wickedneſſe ſhall correct thee, and thy backſlidings ſhall reproue thee: know therefore and ſee, that it *is* an euill thing and bitter, ‡ thou haſt forſaken the LORD thy God, and that my feare *is* not in thee, ſaith the Lord GOD of hoſtes.

20 ¶ For of old time I haue broken thy yoke, & burſt thy bands, and thou ſaidſt, I will not ‖ tranſgreſſe: when vpon euery high * hill, and vnder euery greene tree * thou wandreſt, playing the harlot.

21 Yet I had * planted thee a noble * vine, wholly a right ſeed: How then art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a ſtrange vine vnto me?

22 For though thou * waſh thee with nitre, and take thee much ſope, *yet* thine iniquity is marked before me, ſaith the Lord GOD.

23 How canſt thou ſay, I am not polluted, I haue not gone after Baalim? ſee thy way in the valley, know what thou haſt done: ‖ *thou art* a ſwift Dromedary, trauerſing her ways.

24 ‖ A wild aſſe † vſed to the wilderneſſe, *that* ſnuffeth vp the wind at † her pleaſure, in her occaſion who can ‖ turne her away? all they that ſeeke her will not weary themſelues, in her moneth they ſhall finde her.

25 Withhold thy foot from being vnſhod, and thy throat from thirſt: but thou ſaidſt, ‖ There is no hope. No, for I haue loued ſtrangers, and after them will I goe.

26 As the theefe is aſhamed when he is found: ſo is the houſe of Iſrael aſhamed, they, their Kings, their Princes, and their Prieſts, and their Prophets,

27 Saying to a ſtocke; thou *art* my father, and to a ſtone; Thou haſt ‖ brought me forth: for they haue turned † their backe vnto me, and not their face: but in the time of their * trouble, they will ſay, Ariſe, and ſaue vs.

28 But where *are* thy gods that thou haſt made thee? let them ariſe, if they * can ſaue thee in the time of thy † trouble: for * *according* to the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Iudah.

29 Wherefore will you plead with me? ye all haue tranſgreſſed againſt me, ſaith the LORD.

30 In vaine haue I * ſmitten your children, they receiued no correction: your owne ſword hath deuoured your Prophets, like a deſtroying lyon.

31 ¶ O generation, ſee ye the word of the LORD: * haue I beene a wildernes vnto Iſrael? a Land of darkeneſſe? wherefore ſay my people ‡ We are lords, we will come no more vnto thee?

32 Can a maide forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people haue forgotten me dayes without number.

33 Why trimmeſt ‡ thy waye to ſeeke loue? therefore haſt ‡ alſo taught the wicked ones thy wayes.

34 Alſo in thy ſkirts is found the blood of the ſoules of the poore innocents: I haue not found it by † ſecret ſearch, but vpon all theſe.

35 Yet thou ſayeſt, Becauſe I am innocent, ſurely his anger ſhall turne from me: behold, I will plead with thee, becauſe thou ſayeſt I haue not ſinned.

36 Why gaddeſt thou about ſo much to change thy way? thou alſo ſhalt be aſhamed of Egypt, as thou waſt aſhamed of Aſſyria.

37 Yea, thou ſhalt goe forth from him, and thine hands vpon thine head: for ‡ LORD hath reiected thy confidences, and thou ſhalt not proſper in them.

CHAP. III.

1 Gods great mercy in Iudahs wife whoordome. 6 Iudah is worſe then Iſrael. 12 The promiſes of the Goſpel to the penitent. 20 Iſrael reproued, & called by God maketh a ſolemne confeſſion of their ſinnes.

They † ſay, If a man put away his wife, and ſhe * goe from him, and become another mans, * ſhall he returne vnto her againe? ſhall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou haſt played the harlot with many louers, yet returne againe to me, ſaith the LORD.

2 Lift vp thine eyes vnto the high places and ſee where thou haſt not beene lyen with: in the wayes haſt thou ſate for them, as the Arabian in the wildernes, and thou haſt polluted the land with thy whoredomes, and with thy wickednes.

3 Therefore the * ſhowers haue been withholden, and there hath beene no latter raine, and thou

*Iob 9.30.
‖Or, *O ſwift Dromedary.*
‖Or, *O wild aſſe, &c.*
† Hebr. *taught.*
† Hebr. *the deſire of her heart.*
‖Or, *receiue it.*
‖Or, *is the caſe deſperate?*
‖Or, *begotten me*
† Heb. *the hinder-part of the necke.*
*Iſa.26.16.
*Iſa.45.20.
† Hebr. *euill.*
* Chap.11.13.
*Iſa.9.13. chap.5.3.
*Mat.23.29.&c.
* Chap.2.8.
† Hebr. *we haue dominion.*
† Hebr. *digging.*

† Hebr. *ſaying.*
* Deut.24.4.

* Deut.28.24. cha.9.12.

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* Chap. 6.15. haddest a * whores forehead, thou refusedst to bee ashamed.

4 Wilt thou not from this time cry vnto mee My father, thou *art* the guide of my youth?

5 Will he reserue *his anger* for euer? will hee keepe *it* to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done euill things as thou couldest.

6 ¶ The LORD said also vnto me in the dayes of Iosiah the King, Hast thou seene that which backsliding Israel hath done? shee is * gone vp vpon euery high mountaine, and vnder euery greene tree, and there hath played the harlot.

* Chap. 2.20.

7 And I said after she had done all these things, Turne thou vnto me: but she returned not, and her treacherous sister Iudah saw *it*.

8 And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery, I had put her away, and giuen her a bill of diuorce: yet her treacherous sister Iudah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.

‖ Or, fame. 9 And it came to passe, thorow the ‖ lightenesse of her whoredome, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stockes.

10 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Iudah hath not turned vnto me with her whole heart, but † fainedly, saith the LORD.

† Heb. in falshood. 11 And the LORD said vnto me, The backsliding Israel hath iustified her selfe more then treacherous Iudah.

12 ¶ Goe and proclaime these words toward the North, and say, Returne thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD, *and* I will not cause mine anger to fall vpon you: for I *am* mercifull, saith the LORD, *and* I will not keepe *anger* for euer.

* Psal. 86.15. & 103.8, 9. 13 Onely acknowledge thine iniquity that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, & hast scattered thy wayes to the strangers vnder euery greene tree, and yee haue not obeyed my voyce, saith the LORD.

14 Turne, O backsliding children, saith the LORD, for I am married vnto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion.

* Chap. 33.4. 15 And I will giue you * Pastoures according to mine heart, which shall feede you with knowledge and vnderstanding.

16 And it shall come to passe, when ye be multiplyed and increased in the land, in those daies saith the LORD, they shall say no more, The Arke of the Couenant of the LORD: neither shall it † come to mindeor either shall they remember it, neither shall they visit *it*, neither shall ‖ *that* bee done any more.

† Hebr. come vp on the heart. ‖ Or, it be magnified 17 At that time they shall call Ierusalem, The Throne of the LORD, and all the nations shall be gathered vnto it, to the Name of the LORD to Ierusalem: neither shall they walke any more after the ‖ imagination of their euill heart.

‖ Or, to. 18 In those dayes the house of Iudah shall walke ‖ with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the North, to the land that I haue ‖ giuen for an inheritance vnto your fathers.

‖ Or, caused your fathers to possesse. 19 But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and giue thee a † pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hostes of nations? and I said; Thou shalt call me, My father, and shall not turne away † from me.

† Hebr. land of desire. † Hebr. from after me. 20 ¶ Surely, *as* a wife treacherously departeth from her † husband: so haue you dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.

† Hebr. friend. 21 A voice was heard vpon the high places, weeping *and* ‖ supplications of the children of Israel: for they haue peruerted their way, *and* they haue forgotten the LORD their God.

22 * Returne ye backsliding children, *and* I will heale your backslidings: † Behold, wee come vnto thee for thou *art* the LORD our God.

23 Truely in vaine *is* ‖ *saluation hoped for* from the hils, *and from* the multitude of mountaines: truely in the LORD our God *is* the saluation of Israel.

24 For shame hath deuoured the labour of our Fathers from our youth: their flockes and their heards, their sonnes and their daughters.

25 Wee lie downe in shame, and our confusion coureth vs: for wee haue sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers from our youth euen vnto this day, and haue not obeyed the voyce of the LORD our God.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *God calleth Israel by his promise. 3 He exhorteth Iudah to repentance by feareful iudgements. 19 A grieuous lamentation for the miseries of Iudah.*

IF thou wilt returne, O Israel, saith the LORD, * returne vnto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remoue.

2 And thou shalt sweare, the LORD liueth in Truth, in Iudgement, and in Righteousnesse, and the nations shall blesse themselues in him, and in him shall they * glory.

3 ¶ For thus saith the LORD to the men of Iudah and Ierusalem, Breake vp your fallow ground, and sow not among thornes.

4 Circumcise your selues to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem, lest my fury come forth like fire, and burne that none can quench *it*, because of the euill of your doings.

5 Declare ye in Iudah, and publish in Ierusalem, and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land: crie, gather together, and say, Assemble your selues, and let vs goe into the defenced cities.

6 Set vp the standards toward Zion: † retire, stay not; for I will bring euill from the * North, and a great † destruction.

7 The lion is come vp from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way, he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate, *and* thy cities shall be laid waste without an inhabitant.

8 For this * gird you with sackcloth, lament and howle: for the fierce anger of the LORD is not turned back from vs.

9 And it shall come to passe at that day, *saith* the LORD, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the Princes: and the Priests shall be astonished, and the Prophets shall wonder.

10 Then said I, Ah Lord God, surely thou hast greatly deceiued this people and Ierusalem, saying, Yee shall haue peace, whereas the sword reacheth vnto the soule.

11 At that time shall it be said to this people, and to Ierusalem, A dry winde of the high places in the wildernes, toward the daughter of my people, not to fanne, nor to cleanse,

12 *Euen* a full winde from those places shall come vnto me: now also will I † giue sentence against them.

13 Behold, he shall come vp as clouds, and his charets *shall be* as a whirlewinde: his horses are swifter then Eagles: woe vnto vs, for wee are spoiled.

14 O Ierusalem, * wash thine heart from wickednesse, that thou mayst be saued: how long shall thy vaine thoughts lodge within thee?

15 For

5 For a voice declareth * from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim.
16 Make ye mention to the nations, behold, publish against Ierusalem, *that* watchers come from a farre country, and giue out their voyce against the cities of Iudah.
17 As keepers of a field are they against her round about, because she hath beene rebellious against me, saith the LORD.
18 *Thy way and thy doings haue procured these things vnto thee; this *is* thy wickednesse, because it is bitter, because it reacheth vnto thine heart.
19 ¶ My * bowels, my bowels, I am pained at my very heart; † my heart maketh a noyse in me, I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soule, the sound of the trumpet, the alarme of warre.
20 Destruction vpon destruction is cryed, for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, *and* my curtaines in a moment.
21 How long shall I see the standard, *and* heare the sound of the trumpet? Psalm 33.11
22 For my people *is* foolish, they haue not knowen me; they are sottish children, and they haue none vnderstanding: they are wise to doe euill, but to doe good they haue no knowledge. Iudg. 11.
23 I beheld the earth, and loe, it *was* without forme and void: and the heauens, & they *had* no light.
24 I beheld the mountaines, and loe, they trembled, and all the hils moued lightly.
25 I beheld, and loe, *there was* no man, and all the birds of the heauens were fled.
26 I beheld, and loe, the fruitfull place *was* a wildernesse, and all the cities thereof were broken downe at the presence of the LORD, *and* by his fierce anger.
27 For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; * yet will I not make a full end.
28 For this shall the earth mourne, and the heauens aboue be blacke: because I haue spoken it, I haue purposed *it*, and will not repent, neither will I turne backe from it.
29 The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowemen, they shall go into thickets, and climbe vp vpon the rockes: euery city shall be forsaken, and not a man dwell therein.
30 And when thou art spoiled, what wilt thou doe? though thou clothest thy selfe with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou rentest thy † face with painting, in vaine shalt thou make thy selfe faire, thy louers will despise thee, they will seeke thy life.
31 For I haue heard a voice as of a woman in trauell, *and* the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, *that* bewaileth her selfe, *that* spreadeth her hands, *saying*, Woe *is* me now, for my soule is wearied, because of murderers.

CHAP. V.

1 *The iudgements of God vpon the Iewes, for their peruerseneſſe,* 7 *for their adultery,* 10 *for their impietie,* 19 *for their contempt of God,* 25 *and for their great corruption in the ciuill state,* 30 *and Ecclesiasticall.*

RVne yee to and fro thorow the streets of Ierusalem, and see now, and know, and seeke in the broad places thereof, if ye can finde a man, if there be any that executeth iudgement, that seeketh the truth, and I will pardon it.
2 And though they say, The LORD liueth, surely they sweare falsely.
3 O LORD, *are* not thine eyes vpon the truth? thou hast * stricken them, but they haue not grieued; thou hast consumed them, *but* they haue refused to receiue correction: they haue made their faces harder then a rocke, they haue refused to returne.
4 Therefore I said, Surely these *are* poore, they are foolish: for they know not the way of the LORD, nor the iudgement of their God.
5 I will get me vnto the great men, and will speake vnto them, for they haue knowne the way of the LORD, *and* the iudgement of their God: but these haue altogether broken the yoke, *and* burst the bonds.
6 Wherefore a Lyon out of the forrest shall slay them, *and* a woolfe of the euenings shall spoyle them, a leopard shall watch ouer their cities: euery one that goeth out thence shall be torne in pieces, because their transgressions are many, *and* their backeslidings † are increased.
7 ¶ How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children haue forsaken me, and sworne by them *that are* no gods: when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, & assembled themselues by troopes in the harlots houses.
8 * They were as fed horses in the morning: euery one neighed after his neigbours wife.
9 Shall I not visit for these things saith the LORD, and shall not my soule be auenged on such a nation as this?
10 ¶ Goe ye vp vpon her walles and destroy, but make not a full end: take away her battelments, for they *are* not the LORDS.
11 For the house of Israel and the house of Iudah haue dealt very treacherously against me, saith the LORD.
12 They haue belied the LORD, and said, *It is* not he, * neither shall euill come vpon vs, neither shall we see sword nor famine.
13 And the prophets shall become wind, and the word *is* not in them: thus shall it bee done vnto them.
14 Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, Because ye speake this word, behold, I will make my words in thy mouth * fire, and this people wood, and it shall deuoure them.
15 Loe, I will bring a * nation vpon you from farre, O house of Israel, saith the LORD: it *is* a mighty nation, it *is* an ancient nation, a nation whose language thou knowest not, neither vnderstandest what they say.
16 Their quiuer *is* as an open sepulcher, they *are* all mighty men.
17 And they shall eat vp thine * haruest, and thy bread, *which* thy sonnes and thy daughters should eat: they shall eat vp thy flockes and thine heards: they shall eat vp thy vines and thy figtrees: they shall impouerish thy fenced cities, wherein thou trustedst, with the sword.
18 Neuerthelesse, in those dayes, saith the LORD I * will not make a full end with you.
19 ¶ And it shall come to passe when ye shall say, * Wherefore doth the LORD our God all these things vnto vs? then shalt thou answeare them, Like as ye haue forsaken mee, and serued strange gods in your land, so shall ye serue strangers in a land *that is* not yours.
20 Declare this in the house of Iacob, and publish it in Iudah, saying:
21 Heare now this, O * foolish people, and without † vnderstanding, which haue eies and see not, which haue eares and heare not.
22 Feare ye not me, saith the LORD? will ye not tremble

*Isa. 9. 13. chap. 2.30

*Or, desarts.

†Heb. are strong.

*Ezek. 22.18.

*Esay 28.15.

*Chap. 1.9.

* Deut. 28.49. chap. 1.15 and 6.22.

*Leuit. 26.16. deut. 28. 51.33.

*Chap. 4.27.

*Chap. 16.10. & 13.22.

*Isa. 6.9.

mat. 13. 14. acts 28.26. rom. 11.8 iohn 12.

*Heb. heart.

*Iob 38. 10,11. Psal. 104.9. tremble at my presence, which haue placed the sand for the * bound of the Sea, by a perpetuall decree, that it cannot passe it, and though the waues thereof toss themselues, yet can they not preuaile, though they roare, yet can they not passe ouer it?

23 But this people hath a reuolting, and a rebellious heart: they are reuolted and gone.

24 Neither say they in their heart, Let vs now feare the LORD our God that giueth raine, both the * former and the latter in his season: he reserueth vnto vs the appointed weekes of the harueſt.

*Deut. 11.14.

25 ¶ Your iniquities haue turned away these things, and your sinnes haue withholden good things from you.

‖Or, they pry as foulers lie in wait

26 For among my people are found wicked men ‖ they lay wait as he that setteth snares, they set a trap, they catch men.

‖Or, coupe.

27 As a ‖ cage *is* full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit, therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

*Deut. 32.15.

28 They are waxen * fat, they shine: yea, they ouerpasse the deedes of the wicked: they iudge not *Esa.1.23. &c.7.10. the cause, the cause of the fatherlesse, yet they prosper: & the right of the needy doe they not iudge.

‖Or, a stomacher and filthinesse.

29 Shall I not visite for these things, saith the LORD? ſhall not my ſoule be auenged on ſuch a nation as this?

*Chap. 14.18. & 23.25,26. &c.13.5. ‖Or, take into their hands.

30 ¶ ‖ A wonderfull and horrible thing is committed in the land.

31 The Prophets prophesie * falſley, and the Priests ‖ beare rule by their meanes, and my people loue *to haue it* ſo: and what will ye doe in the end thereof?

CHAP. VI.

1 The enemies sent against Iudah, 4 encourage themselues: 6 God seeketh them on worke because of their sins. 9 The Prophet lamenteth the iudgements of God, because of their sinnes 18 He proclaimeth Gods wrath. 26 He calleth the people to mourne for the iudgements on their sinnes.

O Ye children of Beniamin, gather your ſelues to flee out of the middeſt of Ieruſalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoa: and ſet vp a ſigne of fire in Beth haccerem: for euill appeareth out of the North, and great deſtruction.

‖Or, dwelling as beaut.

2 I haue likened the daughter of Zion to a ‖ comely and delicate *woman*.

3 The ſhepherds with their flockes ſhall come vnto her: they ſhall pitch *their* tents againſt her round about: they ſhall feed euery one in his place.

4 Prepare ye war againſt her: ariſe, & let vs go vp at noone: woe vnto vs, for the day goeth away, for the ſhadowes of the euening are ſtretched out.

5 Ariſe, and let vs goe by night, and let vs deſtroy her palaces.

‖Or, powre out the engine of ſhot. *Eſay 57.20.

6 ¶ For thus hath the LORD of hoſts ſaid, Hew ye downe trees, and ‖ caſt a mount againſt Ieruſalem: this is the city to be viſited, *ſhe is* wholly oppreſſion in the midſt of her.

† Hebr. be loosed or diſiointed.

7 * As a fountaine caſteth out her waters, ſo ſhe caſteth out her wickednesſe: violence and ſpoile is heard in her, before mee continually *is* griefe and wounds.

8 Be thou inſtructed, O Ieruſalem, leſt my ſoule † depart from thee: leſt I make thee deſolate, a land not inhabited

*Chap. 7.36.

9 ¶ Thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes. They ſhall thoroughly gleane the remnant of Iſrael as a vine: turne backe thine hand, as a grape-gatherer into the baskets.

10 To whom ſhall I ſpeake and giue warning that they may heare? Behold, their eare *is* vncircumciſed, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of the LORD is vnto them a reproach: they haue no delight in it.

11 Therefore I am full of the fury of the LORD, I am weary with holding in: I will powre it out vpon the children abroad, and vpon the aſſembly of young men together: for euen the husband with the wife ſhall be taken, the aged with *him that is* full of dayes.

12 And their houſes ſhall be turned vnto others, with *their* fields and wiues together: for I will ſtretch out my hand vpon the inhabitants of the land, ſaith the LORD.

13 For from the leaſt of them euen vnto the greateſt of them, euery one is giuen to * couetouſneſſe, and from the Prophet, euen vnto the Prieſt, euery one dealeth falſly.

*Ier.17.5. &c.8.10.

14 They haue * healed alſo the † hurt of the daughter of my people ſlightly, ſaying, Peace, peace, when *there is* no peace.

15 Were they * aſhamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all aſhamed, neither could they bluſh: therefore they ſhall fall among them that fall: at the time that I viſite them, they ſhall be caſt downe, ſaith the LORD.

16 Thus ſaith the LORD, Stand ye in the waies, and ſee and aſke for the * old paths, where is the good way, & walke therein, and ye ſhall find * reſt for your ſoules: but they ſaid, We will not walke *therein*.

17 Alſo I ſet watchmen ouer you, *ſaying*, Hearken to the ſound of the trumpet: But they ſaid, We will not hearken.

18 ¶ Therefore heare ye nations, and know, O Congregation, what is among them.

19 Heare, O earth, behold, I will bring euill vpon this people, *euen* the fruits of their thoughts, becauſe they haue not hearkened vnto my words, nor to my law, but reiected it.

20 * To what purpoſe commeth there to me incenſe from Sheba? and the ſweet cane from a farre countrey? your burnt offerings *are* not acceptable, nor your ſacrifices ſweet vnto me.

21 Therefore thus ſaith the LORD, Behold, I will lay ſtumbling blockes before this people, and the fathers and the ſons together ſhall fall vpon them: the neighbour and his friend ſhall periſh.

22 Thus ſaith the LORD, Behold, people come from the * North country, and a great nation ſhall be raiſed from the ſides of the earth.

23 They ſhall lay hold on bow and ſpeare: they *are* cruell, and haue no mercy: their voice roareth like the Sea, and they ride vpon horſes, ſet in aray as men for warre againſt thee, O daughter of Zion.

24 We haue heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble, anguiſh hath taken hold of vs, *and* paine as of a woman in trauell.

25 Goe not forth into the field, nor walke by the way: for the ſword *of* the enemy, *and* feare *is* on euery ſide.

26 * O daughter of my people, gird *thee* with ſackcloth, and wallow thy ſelfe in aſhes: make thee mourning *as* for an only ſonne, moſt bitter lamentation: for the ſpoyler ſhall ſuddenly come vpon vs.

27 I haue ſet thee for a tower *and a* * fortreſſe among my people: that thou mayeſt know and try their way.

28 They *are* all grieuous reuolters, walking with ſlanders: *they are* * braſſe and yron, they are all corrupters.

29 The bellowes are burnt, the lead is conſumed of

the fire: the founder melteth in vaine: for the wicked are not plucked away.

30 ‖ Reprobate siluer shall men call them, because the LORD hath reiected them.

CHAP. VII.

1 Ieremiah is sent to call for true repentance, to warne the Iewes captiuity. 8 He reiecteth their false confidence, 12 by the example of Shiloh. 17 He threatneth them for their idolatry. 21 He reiecteth the sacrifices of the disobedient. 29 He exhorteth to mourne for their abominations in Tophet, and the iudgements for the same.

1 The word that came to Ieremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Stand in the gate of the LORDS house, and proclaime there this word, and say, Heare the word of the LORD, all ye of Iudah, that enter in at these gates to worship the LORD.

3 Thus saith the LORD of hostes the God of Israel, * Amend your wayes and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.

4 Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The Temple of the LORD, the Temple of the LORD, the Temple of the LORD *are* these.

5 For if ye throughly amend your wayes, and your doings, if ye throughly execute iudgement betweene a man and his neighbour:

6 If ye oppresse not the stranger, the fatherlesse and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walke after other gods to your hurt:

7 Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gaue to your fathers, for euer and euer.

8 ¶ Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit.

9 Will ye steale, murder, and commit adultery, and sweare falsely, and burne incense vnto Baal, and walke after other gods whom ye know not;

10 And come and stand before me in this house, wherein is called by my Name, and say, We are deliuered to doe all these abominations?

11 Is this house, which is called by my Name, become a * den of robbers in your eyes? behold, euen I haue seene it, saith the LORD.

12 But goe ye now vnto my place which was in Shiloh, where I set my Name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickednes of my people, Israel.

13 And now because yee haue done all these workes, saith the LORD, and I spake vnto you, rising vp early, and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not:

14 Therefore will I doe vnto this house, which is called by my Name, wherein ye trust, and vnto the place which I gaue to you, and to your fathers, as I haue done to * Shiloh.

15 And I will cast you out of my sight, as I haue cast out all your brethren, *euen* the whole seed of Ephraim.

16 Therefore * pray not thou for this people, neither lift vp cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me, for I will not heare thee.

17 ¶ Seest thou not what they doe in the cities of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem?

18 * The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the ‖ Queene of heauen, and to powre out drinke offerings vnto other Gods, that they may prouoke me to anger.

19 Doe they prouoke me to anger, saith the LORD? doe they not *prouoke* themselues to the confusion of their owne faces?

20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, mine anger, and my fury shall be powred out vpon this place, vpon man, and vpon beast, and vpon the trees of the field, and vpon the fruit of the ground, and it shall burne, and shall not be quenched.

21 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, * Put your burnt offerings vnto your sacrifices, and eat flesh.

22 For I spake not vnto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out † of the land of Egypt, † concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices.

23 But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voyce, * and I will be your God, and yee shall be my people: and walke ye in all the wayes that I haue commanded you, that it may be well vnto you.

24 But they hearkened not, nor enclined their eare, but walked in the counsels *and* in the ‖ imagination of their euill heart, and † went backeward and not forward.

25 Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt, vnto this day, I haue euen * sent vnto you all my seruants the Prophets, dayly rising vp early, and sending *them*.

26 Yet they hearkened not vnto me, nor enclined their eare, but * hardened their necke, they did worse then their fathers.

27 Therefore thou shalt speake all these words vnto them, but they will not hearken vnto thee: thou shalt also call vnto them, but they will not answere thee.

28 But thou shalt say vnto them; This * a nation that obeyeth not the voyce of the LORD their God nor receiueth ‖ correction: trueth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.

29 ¶ Cut off thine haire, O *Ierusalem*, and cast it away, and take vp a lamentation in high places, for the LORD hath reiected and forsaken the generation of his wrath.

30 For the children of Iudah haue done euill in my sight, saith the LORD: they haue set their abominations in the house, which is called by my Name, to pollute it.

31 And they haue built the * high places of Tophet, which *is* in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to burne their sonnes and their daughters in the fire, which I commanded *them* not, neither † came it into my heart.

32 ¶ Therefore behold, the dayes * come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter: for they shall bury in Tophet, till there be no place.

33 And the * carkasses of this people shalbe meat for the foules of the heauen, and for the beasts of the earth, and none shall fray *them* away.

34 Then will I cause to cease from the * cities of Iudah, and from the streets of Ierusalem, the voyce of mirth, and the voyce of gladnes, the voyce of the bridegroome, and the voyce of the bride: for the land shall be desolate.

CHAP. VIII.

1 The calamity of the Iewes, both dead and aliue. 4 He vpbraideth their foolish and shamelesse impenitency. 13 He sheweth their grieuous iudgement. 18 and bewaileth their desperate estate.

1 AT that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the Kings of Iudah, and the bones of his Princes, and the bones of the Priests, and the bones of the Prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Ierusalem out of their graues.

2 And

*Isa.1.11. cha.6.20. amos 5.21

† Hebr. concerning the matter of

* Deut. 6.3. * Exod. 19.5. Ieru. 26.13

‖ Or, stubbornesse. † Hebr. went.

* 1. Chro. 36.15.

* Chap. 16.12.

‖ Or, instruction.

* 2. Kings 23.10. cha.19.5. † Hebr. came it vpon my heart.

* Chap. 9.6. * Chap. 34.20. & 16.4. psal.79.2. *Isa.34.7. cha.16.9. & 25.10. & 33.11. ezec.26.13. osee.2.11.

3 And they shall spread them before the Sun, and the Moone, and all the hoste of heauen whom they haue loued, and whom they haue serued, and after whom they haue walked, and whom they haue sought, and whom they haue worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried, they shall be for dung vpon the face of the earth.

4 And death shall be chosen rather then life, by all the residue of them that remaine of this euill family, which remaine in all the places whither I haue driuen them, saith the LORD of hostes.

5 ¶ Moreouer thou shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the LORD, Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turne away and not returne?

6 Why *then* is this people of Ierusalem slidden backe by a perpetuall backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to returne.

7 I hearkened, and heard, *but* they spake not a right: no man repented him of his wickednes, saying, What haue I done? euery one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battell.

8 Yea, the *storke in the heauen knoweth her appointed times, and the turtle, and the crane, and the swallow obserue the time of their comming, but my people know not the iudgement of the LORD.

9 How doe yee say, We *are* wise, and the Law of the LORD *is* with vs? Loe, ‖certainely in vaine made he it, the pen of the Scribes is in vaine.

10 The *wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: loe, they haue reiected the word of the LORD, and †what wisedome *is* in them?

11 Therfore will I giue their wiues vnto others, *and* their fields to them that shall inherite them: for euery one from the least euen vnto the greatest, is giuen to couetousnesse, from the Prophet euen vnto the Priest, *euery one dealeth falsely.

12 For they haue * healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, * Peace, peace, when *there is* no peace.

13 Were they * ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall, in the time of their visitation they shalbe cast downe saith the LORD.

14 ¶ I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: *there shalbe* no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the *figtree, and the leafe shall fade, and *the things* that I haue giuen them, shall passe away from them.

15 Why doe we sit still? assemble your selues, and let vs enter into the defenced cities, and let vs be silent there: for the LORD our God hath put vs to silence, and giuen vs *waters of ‖gall to drinke, because we haue sinned against the LORD.

16 Wee * looked for peace, but no good *came*; *and* for a time of health, and behold trouble.

17 The snorting of his horses was heard from * Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones, for they are come, and haue deuoured the land, and † all that is in it, the city, and those that dwell therein.

18 For behold I will send serpents, cockatrices among you, which *will* not *be* * charmed, and they shall bite you saith the LORD.

19 ¶ *When* I would comfort my selfe against sorrow, my heart *is* faint † in me.

20 Behold, the voyce of the cry of the daughter of my people, †because of them that dwell in a far country; *is* not the LORD in Zion? *is* not her King in her? why haue they prouoked me to anger with their grauen images *and* with strange vanities?

21 The harueſt is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saued.

22 For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt, I am blacke; astonishment hath taken hold on me.

23 *Is there* no *balme in Gilead? is there no Physician there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people † recouered?

CHAP. IX.

1 *Ieremiah lamenteth the lewes for their manifold sinnes.* 9 *and for their vngodlines.* 12 *Diuersitie is the cause of their bitter calamity.* 17 *He exhorteth to mourne for their destruction.* 23 *and to trust, not in themselues but in God.* 25 *He threatneth both Iewes and Gentiles.*

OH † * that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountaine of teares, that I might weepe day and night, for the slaine of the daughter of my people.

2 O that I had in the wildernes a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leaue my people, and goe from them: for they *be* all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.

3 And they bend their tongue *like* their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth vpon the earth; for they proceed from euill to euill, and they know not me saith the LORD.

4 *Take ye heed euery one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for euery brother will vtterly supplant, and euery neighbour will walke with slanders. *Iob. 15. 34.*

5 And they will ‖deceiue euery one his neighbour, and will not speake the truth: they haue taught their tongue to speake lies, *and* weary themselues to commit iniquity. *Psal. 55. 11.*

6 Thine habitation *is* in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, saith the LORD.

7 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hostes, Behold, I will melt them, and try them: for how shall I doe for the daughter of my people?

8 Their *tongue is as an arrow shot out, it speaketh * deceit: one speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but ‖in heart he layeth his wait.

9 ¶ * Shall I not visit them for these things? saith the LORD? shall not my soule be auenged on such a nation as this?

10 For the mountaines will I take vp a weeping and wayling, and for the habitations of the wilderneſſe a lamentation, because they are burned vp, so that none can passe through them, neither can men heare the voyce of the cattell; both the fowle of the heauens, and the beast are fled, they are gone.

11 And I will make Ierusalem heapes, and a † den of dragons, and I will make the cities of Iudah † desolate without an inhabitant.

12 ¶ Who *is* the wise man that may vnderstand this? And *who is he* to whom the mouth of the LORD hath spoken, that he may declare it, for what the land perisheth, *and* is burned vp like a wilderneſſe that none passeth through?

13 And the LORD saith, Because they haue forsaken my Law which I set before them, and haue not obeyed my voyce, neither walked therein,

14 But haue walked after the imagination of their owne heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them:

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Behold I will feed them, *euen* this people, * with wormewood, and giue them water of gall to drinke.

16 I will * scatter them also among the heathen

*Isa. 1. 3.
‖ *Or, the false pen of the Scribes worketh for falsehood.*
* Chap. 8. 15.
‖ *Or, haue they been ashamed, &c.*
† *Heb the wisdome of what thing.*
*Isa. 56. 11. chap. 6. 13.
* Chap. 6. 14.
*Ezek. 13. 10.
* Chap. 3. 3. & 6. 15.
‖ *Or, in gathering I will consume.*
*Isa. 5. 2. &c.
*Mat. 21. 19. Luke 13. 6. &c.
* Chap. 9. 15. and 23. 15.
‖ *Or, poyson.*
* Chap. 14. 19.
* Chap. 4. 15.
† *Heb. the fulnesse thereof.*
* Psal. 58. 5. 6.
† *Hebr. vpon.*
† *Hebr. because of the country of them that are farre off.*

…hom neither they nor their fathers haue knowne: …d I will send a sword after them, till I haue …sumed them.

17 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hests, consider ye, and …ll for the mourning women, that they may come, …d send for cunning women, that they may come.

18 And let them make haste, and take vp a wai…ing for vs, that our eyes may runne downe with …ters, and our eye-lids gush out with waters.

19 For a voyce of wailing is heard out of Zion, …w are we spoiled? wee are greatly confounded, …cause wee haue forsaken the land, because our …ellings haue cast vs out.

20 Yet heare the word of the LORD, O yee wo…n, and let your eare receiue the word of his …uth, and teach your daughters wailing, and eue…ne her neighbour lamentation.

21 For death is come vp into our windowes, *and* …ntred into our pal…ces, to cut off the children …m without, *and* the young men from the streets.

22 Speake, thus saith the LORD, Euen the car…ss of men shall fall as dung vpon the open field, …d as the handfull after the harueſt-man, and none …ll gather *them*.

23 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, Let not the * wise …n glory in his wiſedome, neither let the mighty …n glory in his might, let not the rich man glory …s riches,

24 But let him that glorieth, glory in this, that …nderſtande, and knoweth mee, that I *am* the …RD, which exerciſe louing kindneſſe, iudgement, …d righteouſneſſe in the earth, for in theſe things …delight, ſaith the LORD.

25 ¶ Behold, the dayes come, ſaith the LORD, …at I will † punish all them which are circumci…ed with the vncircumciſed,

26 Egypt, and Iudah, and Edom, and the children …f Ammon, and Moab, and all that are † in the …utmoſt corners, that dwell in the wilderneſſe: …r all theſe nations *are* vncircumciſed and all the …ouſe of Iſrael *are* * vncircumciſed in the heart.

CHAP. X.

The vnequall comparison of God and Idoles. The Prophet exhorteth to flee from the calamitie to come: 19 He lamenteth the spoile of the vineyard by foolish Pastours. 23 He maketh an humble supplication.

HEare ye the word which the LORD ſpeaketh …nto you, O houſe of Iſrael.

2 Thus ſaith the LORD, Learne not the way of …the heathen, and be not diſmayed at the ſignes of …heauen, for the heathen are diſmayed at them.

3 For the † cuſtomes of the people are vaine: …for one cutteth a tree out of the forreſt (the worke …of the hands of the workeman) with the axe.

4 They decke it with ſiluer and with gold; …they faſten it with nailes, and with hammers, that …it moue not.

5 They *are* vpright as the palme tree, * but ſpeake …not: they muſt needs be * borne, becauſe they can…not goe: be not afraid of them, for * they cannot …euill, neither alſo *is it* in them to doe good.

6 Foraſmuch as *there is* none * like vnto thee, …O LORD, thou *art* great, and thy Name *is* great …in might.

7 * Who would not feare thee, O King of nati…ons? for to thee doth it appertaine: foraſmuch …as among all the wiſe men of the nations, and in …all their kingdomes, *there is* none like vnto thee.

8 But they are † altogether * brutiſh and foo…liſh: the ſtocke is a doctrine of vanities?

9 Siluer ſpread into plates is brought from Tarſhiſh, and gold from Vphaz, the worke of the workeman, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple *is* their clothing: they *are* all the worke of cunning men.

10 But the LORD *is* the † true God, he *is* the liuing God, and an † euerlaſting King: at his wrath the earth ſhall tremble, and the nations ſhall not be able to abide his indignation.

11 Thus ſhall yee ſay vnto them, The gods that haue not made the heauens and the earth, *euen* they ſhall periſh from the earth, and from vnder theſe heauens.

12 Hee * hath made the earth by his power, hee hath eſtabliſhed the world by his wiſedome, and hath ſtretched out the heauens by his diſcretion.

13 When he vttereth his voyce, *there is* a ‖ multitude of waters in the heauens, and he cauſeth the vapours to aſcend from the ends of the earth: hee maketh lightnings ‖ with raine, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treaſures.

14 Euery man is ‖ * b utiſh in *his* knowledge, euery founder is confounded by the grauen image: for his molten image *is* falſhood, and *there is* no breath in them.

15 They *are* vanity, *and* the worke of errours: in the time of their viſitation they ſhall periſh.

16 * The portion of Iacob *is* not like them: for he *is* the former of all things, and Iſrael *is* the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hoſts *is* his Name.

17 ¶ Gather vp thy wares out of the land, O † inhabitant of the fortreſſe.

18 For thus ſaith the LORD, Behold, I will ſling out the inhabitants of the land at this once, and will diſtreſſe them, that they may find *it ſo*.

19 ¶ Woe is me for my hurt, my wound is grieuous: but I ſaid, Truely this *is* a griefe, and I muſt beare it.

20 My Tabernacle is ſpoiled, and all my cords are broken: my children are gone forth of me, and they *are* not: *there is* none to ſtretch foorth my tent any more, and to ſet vp my curtaines.

21 For the Paſtours are become brutiſh, and haue not ſought the LORD: therefore they ſhall not proſper, and all their flockes ſhall be ſcattered.

22 Behold, the noiſe of the bruit is come, & a great commotion out of the * North-countrey, to make the cities of Iudah deſolate, *and a* * den of dragons.

23 ¶ O LORD, I know that the * way of man *is* not in himſelfe: it *is* not in man that walketh, to direct his ſteps.

24 O LORD, * correct me, but with iudgement, not in thine anger, leſt thou † bring me to nothing.

25 * Powre out thy fury vpon the heathen that know thee not, and vpon the families that call not on thy Name: for they haue eaten vp Iacob, and deuoured him, and conſumed him, and haue made his habitation deſolate.

CHAP. XI.

1 Ieremiah proclaimeth Gods Couenant, 8 vpbraideth the Iewes disobeying thereof, 11 prophesieth euils to come vpon them, 18 and vpon the men of Anathoth, for conspiring to kill Ieremiah.

THe word that came to Ieremiah from the LORD, ſaying,

2 Heare yee the words of this Couenant, and ſpeake vnto the men of Iudah, and to the inhabitants of Ieruſalem,

3 And ſay thou vnto them, Thus ſaith the LORD God of Iſrael, * Curſed *bee* the man that obeyeth not the words of this Couenant,

4 Which I commanded your fathers in the day *that* I brought them foorth out of the land of

† Hebr. God of truth.
† Hebr. King of eternity.
* Gen. 1.6 cha. 51.15.
‖ Or, noise.
‖ Or, for raine.
‖ Or, a more brutiſh then to know.
* Chap. 51.17,18.
* Chap. 51.19.
† Hebr. inhabitreſſe.
* Chap. 1.15. & 5. 15. & 6.22
* Chap. 9.11.
* Prou. 16.1. and 20.24.
* Pſal. 6.1. & 38.1. cha. 10. 24.
† Hebr. diminiſh me.
* Pſal. 79.6.
* Deu. 27. 26. gal. 3. 10.

* Leuit. 26.3,12. Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, * Obey my voyce, and doe them, according to all that I commaund you: so shall yee be my people, and I will be your God.

* Deut. 7.12. 5 That I may performe the *oath which I haue sworne vnto your fathers, to giue them a land flowing with milke and honey, as *it is* this day: then answered I, and said, † So be it, O LORD.

† Heb. Amen. 6 Then the LORD said vnto me, Proclaime all these words in the cities of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem, saying, Heare ye the words of this Couenant, and doe them.

7 For I earnestly protested vnto your fathers in the day *that* I brought them vp out of the land of Egypt, euen vnto this day, rising early, and protesting, saying, Obey my voyce.

8 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their eare: but walked euery one in the ‖ imagination of their euill heart: therefore I will bring vpon them all the words of this Couenant, which I commanded *them* to doe, but they did *them* not.

‖ Or, stubbornnesse. 9 And the LORD said vnto mee, A conspiracy is found among the men of Iudah, and among the inhabitants of Ierusalem.

10 They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to heare my words: and they went after other gods to serue them: the house of Israel, and the house of Iudah, haue broken my Couenant which I made with their fathers.

† Heb. to goe forth of. 11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring euill vpon them, which they shall not be able † to escape, and * though they cry vnto me, I will not hearken vnto them.

* Prou. 1 28.1.4.1. 15.chap. 14.12. ezek.8.18 mich.3.8. 12 Then shall the cities of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem goe, and cry vnto the gods vnto whom they offer incense, but they shall not saue them at all in the time of their † trouble.

† Heb. euill. 13 For *according* to the number of thy *cities, were thy gods, O Iudah, and *according* to the number of the streets of Ierusalem haue yee set vp altars to that † shamefull thing, *euen* altars to burne incense vnto Baal.

* Chap. 2.28. 14 Therefore * pray not thou for this people, neither lift vp a cry, or prayer for them: for I will not heare them in the time that they cry vnto mee for their † trouble.

† Heb. shame. * Chap. 7.16. & 14.11. † Heb. euill. 15 *† What hath my beloued to doe in mine house, *seeing* she hath wrought lewdnesse with many? and the holy flesh is passed from thee: ‖ when thou doest euill, then thou reioycest.

* Isa.1.11. &c. † Heb. what is to my beloued in my house? 16 The LORD called thy name, A greene olive tree, faire, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult hee hath kindled fire vpon it, and the branches of it are broken.

17 For the LORD of hostes that planted thee, hath pronounced euill against thee, for the euill of the house of Israel, and of the house of Iudah, which they haue done against themselues to prouoke mee to anger, in offering incense vnto Baal.

‖ Or, when thy cast it. † Heb. the stalke with his bread. 18 ¶ And the LORD hath giuen me knowledge *of it*, and I know *it*, then thou shewedst mee their doings.

* 1. Sam. 26.7,1. chr. 28.9. psal. 7.10. & 50.12. chap. 17. 10. and 20. 12. gen. 2.23. 19 But I *was* like a lambe *or* an oxe *that* is brought to the slaughter, and I knew not that they had deuised deuices against me, *saying*, Let vs destroy † the tree, with the fruit thereof, and let vs cut him off from the land of the liuing, that his name may be no more remembered.

20 But, O LORD of hostes, that iudgest righteously, that * triest the reines, and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them, for vnto thee haue I reuealed my cause.

21 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seeke thy life, saying, Prophesie not in the Name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hostes, Behold, I will † punish them: the young men shall die by the sword, their sonnes and their daughters shall die by famine.

23 And there shall be no remnant of them, for I will bring euill vpon the men of Anathoth, *euen* the yeere of their visitation.

CHAP. XII.

Ieremiah complaining of the wicked prosperity, by faith seeth their ruine. 5 God answereth him of his brethrens treachery against him, 7 and lamenteth his heritage. 14 He promiseth to the captiues returne from captiuity.

RIghteous *art* thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: ‖ yet let mee talke with thee of *thy* iudgements: * wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy that deale very treacherously?

2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they haue taken root: † they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: thou *art* neere in their mouth, and far from their reines.

3 But thou, O LORD, * knowest mee: thou hast seene mee, and tried mine heart † toward thee: pull them out like sheepe for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

4 How long shall the land mourne, and the herbes of euery field wither, * for the wickednesse of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds, because they said, He shall not see our last end.

5 ¶ If thou hast run with the footmen, and they haue wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace wherein thou trustedst, *they wearied thee*, then how wilt thou doe in the swelling of Iordan?

6 For euen * thy brethren, and the house of thy father, euen they haue dealt treacherously with thee, yea, ‖ they haue called a multitude after thee: beleeue them not, though they speake faire words vnto thee.

7 ¶ I haue forsaken mine house: I haue left mine heritage: I haue giuen † the dearely beloued of my soule into the hand of her enemies.

8 Mine heritage is vnto me as a lion in the forrest: it † crieth out against me, therefore haue I hated it.

9 Mine heritage *is* vnto me as a ‖ speckled bird, the birds round about *are* against her: come yee, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to deuour.

10 Many pastours haue destroyed my vineyard, they haue troden my portion vnder foot, they haue made my † pleasant portion a desolate wildernesse.

11 They haue made it desolate, *and being* desolate, it mourneth vnto me: the whole land is made desolate, because no man layeth *it* to heart.

12 The spoilers are come vpon all high places through the wildernesse: for the sword of the LORD shall deuoure from the one end of the land euen to the other end of the land: no flesh shall haue peace.

13 They haue * sowne wheate, but shall reape thornes: they haue put themselues to paine, but shall not profit: and they shall be ashamed of your reuenues, because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD against all mine euill neighbours, that touch the inheritance, which I haue caused my people Israel to inherit, Behold, I will * plucke them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Iudah from among them.

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11 And it shall come to passe after that I haue
plucked them out, I will returne, and haue com-
passion on them, and will bring againe euery man
to his heritage, and euery man to his land.

16 And it shall come to passe, if they will dili-
gently learne the wayes of my people, to sweare by
my Name, (The LORD liueth, as they taught my
people to sweare by Baal:) Then shall they bee
built in the midst of my people.

17 But if they will not * obey, I will vtterly
plucke vp and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *In the type of a linnen girdle hidden at Euphra-*
tes, God professeth the destruction of his people. 12
Vnder the parable of the bottles filled with wine, hee
foretelleth their drunkennesse in misery. 15 *He ex-*
horteth to prevent their future judgements. 22 *Hee*
sheweth their abominations are the cause thereof.

THus saith the LORD vnto me, Goe, and get
thee a linnen girdle, and put it vpon thy
loines, and put it not in water.

2 So I got a girdle, according to the word of
the LORD, and put it on my loyne.

3 And the word of the LORD came vnto me the
second time, saying,

4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which *is*
vpon thy loynes, and arise, goe to Euphrates, and
hide it there in a hole of the rocke.

5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the
LORD commanded me.

6 And it came to passe after many dayes, that the
LORD said vnto me, Arise, goe to Euphrates, and
take the girdle from thence, which I commanded
thee to hide there.

7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took
the girdle from the place where I had hid it, and
behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for
nothing.

8 Then the word of the LORD came vnto mee,
saying,

9 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will
I marre the pride of Iudah, and the great pride of
Ierusalem.

10 This euill people which refuse to heare my
words, which walke in the ‖ imagination of their
heart, and walke after other gods to serue them,
and to worship them shall euen bee as this girdle,
which is good for nothing.

11 For as the girdle cleaueth to the loynes of a
man, so haue I caused to cleaue vnto me the whole
house of Israel, and the whole house of Iudah, saith
the LORD, that they might be vnto me for a peo-
ple, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glo-
rie: but they would not heare.

12 ¶ Therefore thou shalt speake vnto them this
word: Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Euery
bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say
vnto thee, Doe we not certainly know, that euery
bottle shall be filled with wine.

13 Then shalt thou say vnto them, Thus saith the
LORD, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of
this land, euen the Kings that sit vpon Dauids
throne, and the Priests, and the Prophets, and all
the inhabitants of Ierusalem with drunkennesse.

14 And I will dash them † one against another,
euen the fathers and the sonnes together, saith the
LORD: I will not pitty, nor spare, nor haue mercy,
but destroy them.

15 ¶ Heare ye and giue eare, be not proud: for
the LORD hath spoken.

16 Giue glory to the LORD your God before he
cause * darkenesse, and before your feet stumble
vpon the darke mountaines, and while ye looke for
light, he turne it into the shaddow of death, and
make it grosse darkenesse.

17 But if yee will not heare it, my soule shall
weepe in secret places for *your* pride, and * mine
eye shall weepe sore, and run downe with teares,
because the LORDS flocke is carried away captiue.

18 Say vnto the King, and to the Queene, Humble
your selues, sit downe, for your principalities shall
come downe, *even* the crowne of your glory.

19 The cities of the South shal be shut vp, & none
shall open *them*: Iudah shall be carried away captiue
all of it, it shall be wholy carried away captiue.

20 Lift vp your eyes, and behold them that come
from the North, where is the flocke *that* was gi-
uen thee, thy beautifull flocke?

21 What wilt thou say, when hee shall † punish
thee, (for thou hast taught them *to bee* captaines,
and as chiefe ouer thee) shall not sorrowes take
thee as a woman in trauell?

22 ¶ And if thou say in thine heart, * Wherefore
come these things vpon me? for the greatnesse
of thine iniquity are thy skirts discouered, *and*
thy heeles ‖ made bare.

23 Can the Ethiopian change his skinne? or the
Leopard his spots? *then* may yee also doe good,
that are † accustomed to doe euill.

24 Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble,
that passeth away by the wind of the wildernesse.

25 This *is* thy lot, the portion of thy measures
from me, saith the LORD, because thou hast for-
gotten me, and trusted in falshood.

26 Therefore will I discouer thy skirts vpon thy
face, that thy shame may appeare.

27 I haue seene thy adulteries, and thy neighings,
the lewdnesse of thy whoredome, *and* thy abomina-
tions on the hills in the fields: woe vnto thee, O
Ierusalem, wilt thou not be made cleane? † when
shall it once *be*?

CHAP. XIIII.

1 *The grieuous famine,* 7 *causeth Ieremiah to*
pray. 10 *The Lord will not be intreated for the*
people. 13 *Lying prophets are no excuse for them.* 17
Ieremiah is moued to complaine for them.

THe word of the LORD that came to Ieremiah
concerning † the dearth.

2 Iudah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish,
they are blacke vnto the ground, and the cry of Ie-
rusalem is gone vp.

3 And their nobles haue sent their little ones to
the waters, they came to the pits, *and* found no wa-
ter, they returned with † vessels empty: they were
ashamed and confounded, and couered their heads.

4 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no
raine in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed,
they couered their heads.

5 Yea, the Hinde also calued in the field, and
forsooke it, because there was no grasse.

6 And the wilde Asses did stand in the high pla-
ces, they snuffed vp the winde like dragons: their
eyes did faile because *there was* no grasse.

7 ¶ O LORD, though our iniquities testifie a-
gainst vs, doe thou it for thy Names sake: for our
backslidings are many, we haue sinned against thee.

8 O the hope of Israel, the Sauiour thereof in
time of trouble, why shouldest thou bee as a stran-
ger in the land, and as a wayfaring man *that* tur-
neth aside to tarry for a night?

9 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a
mighty man *that* cannot saue? yet thou, O LORD
art in the midst of vs, and wee are called † by thy
Name, leaue vs not.

* Lam. 3. 2.16. & 2.18.

Or, heauy tears.

† Heb. vpon.

* Chap. 5.19. and 16.10.

Or, shall be vio-lently ta-ken away

† Heb. taught.

† Heb. af-ter when yet?

† Heb. the words of the dearth?

Or, re-straints.

† Heb. thy Name is called vpon vs.

* Leuit. 26.3,12.
Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, * Obey my voyce, and doe them, according to all that I commande you: so shall yee be my people, and I will be your God.

* Deut. 7.12.
5 That I may performe the *oath which I haue sworne vnto your fathers, to giue them a land flowing with milke and honey, as it is this day: then answered I, and said, † So be it, O LORD.

† Heb. Amen.
6 Then the LORD said vnto me, Proclaime all these words in the cities of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem, saying, Heare ye the words of this Couenant, and doe them.

7 For I earnestly protested vnto your fathers in the day that I brought them vp out of the land of Egypt, euen vnto this day, rising early, and protesting, saying, Obey my voyce.

8 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their eare: but walked euery one in the ‖ imagination of their euill heart: therefore I will bring vpon them all the words of this Couenant, which I commanded them to doe, but they did them not.

‖ Or, stubbornesse.

9 And the LORD said vnto mee, A conspiracy is found among the men of Iudah, and among the inhabitants of Ierusalem.

10 They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to heare my words: and they went after other gods to serue them: the house of Israel, and the house of Iudah, haue broken my Couenant which I made with their fathers.

† Heb. to goe forth of.
11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring euill vpon them, which they shall not be able † to escape, and * though they shall cry vnto me, I will not hearken vnto them.

* Prou. 1 28.1.1. 15.chap. 14.12. ezek.8.18 mich. 3.8.
12 Then shall the cities of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem goe, and cry vnto the gods vnto whom they offer incense, but they shall not saue them at all in the time of their † trouble.

† Heb. euill.
13 For according to the number of thy *cities, were thy gods, O Iudah, and according to the number of the streets of Ierusalem haue yee set vp altars to that † shamefull thing, euen altars to burne incense vnto Baal.

* Chap. 3.28.
14 Therefore * pray not thou for this people, neither lift vp a cry, or prayer for them: for I will not heare them in the time that they cry vnto mee for their † trouble.

† Heb. shame. * Chap. 7.16. & 14.11.
15 ¶ † What hath my beloued to doe in mine house, seeing she hath wrought lewdnesse with many? and the holy flesh is passed from thee: ‖ when thou doest euill, then thou reioycest.

† Heb. euill. * Isa.1.11. &c.
16 The LORD called thy name, A greene olive tree, faire, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult hee hath kindled fire vpon it, and the branches of it are broken.

† Heb. What is to my beloued in my house?
17 For the LORD of hostes that planted thee, hath pronounced euill against thee, for the euill of the house of Israel, and of the house of Iudah, which they haue done against themselues to prouoke mee to anger, in offering incense vnto Baal.

‖ Or, when thy euill is.

† Heb. the stalke with his bread.
18 ¶ And the LORD hath giuen me knowledge of it, and I know it, then thou shewedst mee their doings.

* 1. Sam. 16.7.1. chr. 28.9. psal. 7.10. & 20.12. chap. 17. 10. and 20. 12.
19 But I was like a lambe or an oxe that is brought to the slaughter, and I knew not that they had deuised deuices against me, saying, Let vs destroy † the tree, with the fruit thereof, and let vs cut him off from the land of the liuing, that his name may be no more remembred.

20 But, O LORD of hostes, that iudgest righteously, that * tryest the reines, and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them, for vnto thee haue I reuealed my cause.

21 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seeke thy life, saying, Prophesie not in the Name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hostes, Behold, I will † punish them: the young men shall die by the sword, their sonnes and their daughters shall die by famine.

23 And there shall be no remnant of them, for I will bring euill vpon the men of Anathoth, euen the yeere of their visitation.

CHAP. XII.

Ieremiah complaining of the wicked prosperity, by faith seeth their ruine. 5 *God answereth him of his brethrens treachery against him,* 7 *and lamenteth his heritage.* 14 *He promiseth to the penitent returne from captiuity.*

1 RIghteous *art* thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: ‖ yet let mee talke with thee of *thy* iudgements: * wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy that deale very treacherously?

2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they haue taken root: † they grow, yea they bring forth fruit: thou *art* neere in their mouth, and far from their reines.

3 But thou, O LORD, * knowest mee: thou hast seene mee, and tried mine heart † towards thee: pull them out like sheepe for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

4 How long shall the land mourne, and the herbes of euery field wither, * for the wickednesse of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds, because they said, He shall not see our last end.

5 ¶ If thou hast run with the footmen, and they haue wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace wherein thou trustedst, *they wearied thee*, then how wilt thou doe in the swelling of Iordan?

6 For euen * thy brethren, and the house of thy father, euen they haue dealt treacherously with thee, yea, ‖ they haue called a multitude after thee: beleeue them not, though they speake † faire words vnto thee.

7 ¶ I haue forsaken mine house: I haue left mine heritage: I haue giuen † the dearely beloued of my soule into the hand of her enemies.

8 Mine heritage is vnto me as a lion in the forrest: it ‖ crieth out against me, therefore haue I hated it.

9 Mine heritage *is* vnto me as a † speckled bird, the birds round about are against her; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to deuour.

10 Many pastours haue destroyed my vineyard, they haue troden my portion vnder foot: they haue made my † pleasant portion a desolate wildernesse.

11 They haue made it desolate, and being desolate, it mourneth vnto me: the whole land is made desolate, because no man layeth it to heart.

12 The spoilers are come vpon all high places through the wildernesse: for the sword of the LORD shall deuoure from the one end of the land euen to the other end of the land: no flesh shall haue peace.

13 They haue * sowne wheate, but shall reape thornes: they haue put themselues to paine, but shall not profit: and they shall be ashamed of your reuenues, because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD against all mine euill neighbours, that touch the inheritance, which I haue caused my people Israel to inherit, Behold, I will * plucke them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Iudah from among them.

15

11 And it shall come to passe after that I haue
plucked them out, I will returne, and haue com-
passion on them, and will bring againe euery man
to his heritage, and euery man to his land.

12 And it shall come to passe, if they will dili-
gently learne the wayes of my people, to sweare by
my Name, (The LORD liueth, as they taught my
people to sweare by Baal:) Then shall they bee
built in the midst of my people.

17 But if they will not * obey, I will vtterly
plucke vp and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *In the type of a linnen girdle hidden at Euphra-
tes, God propoundeth the destruction of his people.* 12
*Vnder the parable of the bottles filled with wine, hee
threatneth their drunkennesse in misery.* 15 *He ex-
horteth to repentance their future iudgements.* 22 *Hee
sheweth their abominations are the cause thereof.*

THus saith the LORD vnto me, Goe, and get
thee a linnen girdle, and put it vpon thy
loynes, and put it not in water.

2 So I got a girdle, according to the word of
the LORD, and put it on my loynes.

3 And the word of the LORD came vnto me the
second time, saying,

4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which *is*
vpon thy loynes, and arise, goe to Euphrates, and
hide it there in a hole of the rocke.

5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the
LORD commanded me.

6 And it came to passe after many dayes, that the
LORD said vnto me, Arise, goe to Euphrates, and
take the girdle from thence, which I commanded
thee to hide there.

7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took
the girdle from the place where I had hid it, and
behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for
nothing.

8 Then the word of the LORD came vnto mee,
saying,

9 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will
I marre the pride of Iudah, and the great pride of
Ierusalem.

10 This euill people which refuse to heare my
words, which walke in the ‖ imagination of their
heart, and walke after other gods to serue them,
and to worship them shall euen bee as this girdle,
which is good for nothing.

11 For as the girdle cleaueth to the loynes of a
man, so haue I caused to cleaue vnto me the whole
house of Israel, and the whole house of Iudah, saith
the LORD, that they might be vnto me for a peo-
ple, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glo-
rie: but they would not heare.

12 ¶ Therefore thou shalt speake vnto them this
word: Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Euery
bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say
vnto thee: Doe we not certainly know, that euery
bottle shall be filled with wine.

13 Then shalt thou say vnto them, Thus saith the
LORD, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of
this land, euen the Kings that sit vpon Dauids
throne, and the Priests, and the Prophets, and all
the inhabitants of Ierusalem with drunkennesse.

14 And I will dash them † one against another,
euen the fathers and the sonnes together, saith the
LORD: I will not pitty, nor spare, nor haue mercy,
but destroy them.

15 ¶ Heare ye and giue eare, be not proud: for
the LORD hath spoken.

16 Giue glory to the LORD your God, before he
cause * darkenesse, and before your feet stumble
vpon the darke mountaines, and while ye looke for
light, he turne it into the shaddow of death, and
make *it* grosse darkenesse.

17 But if yee will not heare it, my soule shall
weepe in secret places for *your* pride, and * mine
eye shall weepe sore, and run downe with teares,
because the LORDS flocke is carried away captiue.

18 Say vnto the King, and to the Queene, Humble
your selues, sit downe, for your principalities shall
come downe, *euen* the crowne of your glory.

19 The cities of the South shall be shut vp, & none
shall open *them*: Iudah shall be carried away captiue
all of it, it shall be wholy carried away captiue.

20 Lift vp your eyes, and behold them that come
from the North, where is the flocke *that* was gi-
uen thee, thy beautifull flocke?

21 What wilt thou say, when hee shall † punish
thee, (for thou hast taught them *to be* captaines,
and as chiefe ouer thee) shall not sorrowes take
thee as a woman in trauell?

22 ¶ And if thou say in thine heart, * Where-
fore come these things vpon me? for the greatnesse
of thine iniquity are thy skirts discouered, *and*
thy heeles made bare.

23 Can the Ethiopian change his skinne? or the
Leopard his spots? *then* may yee also doe good,
that are † accustomed to doe euill.

24 Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble,
that passeth away by the wind of the wildernesse.

25 This *is* thy lot, the portion of thy measures
from me, saith the LORD, because thou hast for-
gotten me, and trusted in falshood.

26 Therefore will I discouer thy skirts vpon thy
face, that thy shame may appeare.

27 I haue seene thy adulteries, and thy neighings,
the lewdnesse of thy whoredome, *and* thy abomina-
tions on the hills in the fields: woe vnto thee, O
Ierusalem, wilt thou not be made cleane? † when
shall it once *be*?

CHAP. XIIII.

1 *The grieuous famine,* 7 *causeth Ieremiah to
pray.* 10 *The Lord will not be intreated for the
people.* 13 *Lying prophets are no excuse for them.* 17
Ieremiah is moued to complaine for them.

THe word of the LORD that came to Ieremiah
concerning † the dearth.

2 Iudah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish,
they are blacke vnto the ground, and the cry of Ie-
rusalem is gone vp.

3 And their nobles haue sent their little ones to
the waters, they came to the pits, *and* found no wa-
ter, they returned with ‖ vessels empty: they were
ashamed and confounded, and couered their heads.

4 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no
raine in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed,
they couered their heads.

5 Yea, the Hinde also calued in the field, and
forsooke *it*, because there was no grasse.

6 And the wilde Asses did stand in the high pla-
ces, they snuffed vp the winde like dragons: their
eyes did faile, because *there was* no grasse.

7 ¶ O LORD, though our iniquities testifie a-
gainst vs, doe thou *it* for thy Names sake: for our
backslidings are many, we haue sinned against thee.

8 O the hope of Israel, the Sauiour thereof in
time of trouble, why shouldest thou bee as a stran-
ger in the land, and as a wayfaring man *that* tur-
neth aside to tarry for a night?

9 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a
mighty man *that* cannot saue? yet thou, O LORD
art in the midst of vs, and wee are called † by thy
Name, leaue vs not.

10 ¶Thus saith the LORD vnto this people, Thus haue they loued to wander, they haue not refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doeth not accept them, he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sinnes.

11 Then said the LORD vnto me, * Pray not for this people for their good.

12 * When they fast, I will not heare their cry & when they offer burnt offering and an oblation, I will not accept them: But I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence.

13 ¶ Then said I, Ah Lord GOD, Behold the Prophets say vnto them; Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye haue famine, but I will giue you † assured peace in this place.

14 Then the LORD said vnto me, The Prophets prophesie lies in my Name, * I sent them not, neither haue I commanded them, neither spake vnto them: they prophesie vnto you a false vision and diuination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the Prophets that prophesie in my Name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land, By sword and famine shall those Prophets be consumed.

16 And the people to whom they prophesie, shall be cast out in the streets of Ierusalem, because of the famine, and the sword, and they shall haue none to bury them, them, their wiues, nor their sons nor their daughters: for I will powre their wickednesse vpon them.

17 ¶ Therefore thou shalt say this word vnto them, * Let mine eyes run downe with teares night and day, and let them not cease, for the virgine daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grieuous blow.

18 If I goe foorth into the field, then behold the slaine with the sword; and if I enter into the city, then behold, them that are sicke with famine; yea, both the Prophet and the Priest ‖ goe about into a land that they know not.

19 Hast thou vtterly reiected Iudah? hath thy soule loathed Zion? why hast thou smitten vs, and *there is* no healing for vs? * we looked for peace, and *there is* no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble.

20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickednesse *and* the iniquity of our fathers: for * we haue sinned against thee.

21 Doe not abhorre *vs*, for thy Names sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember, breake not thy Couenant with vs.

22 Are there any among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause raine? or can the heauens giue showres? *Art* not thou he, O LORD our God? therefore wee will wait vpon thee: for thou hast made all these things.

CHAP. XV.

1 The vtter reiection, and manifold iudgements of the Iewes. 10 Ieremiah complaining of their spight, receiueth a promise for himselfe, 12 and a threatning for them. 15 He prayeth, 19 and receiueth a gracious promise.

THen said the LORD vnto me, * Though * Moses and * Samuel stood before mee, *yet* my minde *could* not be toward this people, cast *them* out of my sight, and let them goe foorth.

2 And it shall come to passe, if they say vnto thee, Whither shall we goe foorth? Then thou shalt tell them; Thus saith the LORD; * Such as *are* for death, to death; and such as *are* for the sword, to the sword; & such as *are* for the famine, to the famine; and such as *are* for the captiuity, to the captiuity.

3 * And I will appoint ouer them foure kinds, saith the LORD, the sword to slay, and the dogges to teare, and the foules of the heauen, and the beasts of the earth to deuoure and destroy.

4 And † I will cause them to be * removed into all kingdomes of the earth, because of * Manasseh, the son of Hezekiah King of Iudah, for that which he did in Ierusalem.

5 For who shall haue pitie vpon thee, O Ierusalem? or who shall bemoane thee? or who shall go aside to † aske how thou doest?

6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou art gone backeward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee, I am weary with repenting.

7 And I will fanne them with a fanne in the gates of the land: I will bereaue *them* of children, I will destroy my people, *sith* they returne not from their wayes.

8 Their widowes are increased to me aboue the sand of the Seas: I haue brought vpon them against the mother of the young men, a spoiler at noone day: I haue caused *him* to fall vpon it suddenly, and terrours vpon the city.

9 * She that hath borne seuen languisheth: she hath giuen vp the ghost: her Sunne is gone downe while it *was* yet day: she hath beene ashamed and confounded, and the residue of them will I deliuer to the sword before their enemies saith the LORD.

10 ¶ * Woe is mee, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife, and a man of contention to the whole earth: I haue neither lent on vsury, nor men haue lent to me on vsury, *yet* euery one of them doth curse me.

11 The LORD said, Verely it shall be well with thy remnant, verely ‖ I will cause the enemy to entreat thee *well* in the time of euill, and in the time of affliction.

12 Shall iron breake the Northerne iron, and the steele?

13 Thy substance and thy treasures will I giue to the * spoile without price, and *that* for all thy sinnes, euen in all thy borders.

14 And I will make *them* to passe with thine enemies into a land *which* thou knowest not: for a fire is kindled in mine anger, *which* shall burne vpon you.

15 ¶ O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visite me, and reuenge me of my persecutors, take me not away in thy long suffering: know that for thy sake I haue suffered rebuke.

16 Thy words were found, and I did * eate them, and thy word was vnto me the ioy and rejoycing of mine heart: for † I am called by thy Name, O LORD God of hostes.

17 I sate not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoyced? I sate alone because of thy hand: for thou hast filled me with indignation.

18 Why is my * paine perpetuall, and my wound incurable, *which* refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether vnto me as a lyar, *and* as waters that † faile?

19 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, If thou turne, then will I bring thee againe, *and* thou shalt stand before me: & if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth: let them returne vnto thee, but returne not thou vnto them.

20 And I will make thee vnto this people a fenced brasen * wall, & they shall fight against thee, but they shal not * preuaile against thee: for I *am* with thee, to

*Chap. 7.16. and 11.14. ex. 32.10.
*Prou. 1.28. isa. 1.15. chap. 11.11. eze. 8.18. mic. 3.4.
† *Hebr. peace of truth.*
*Chap. 23.21. & 27.15. and 29. 8.9.
*Lam. 1. 16. and 2. 18. chap. 13.17.
‖ *Or, make merchandise against a land, and then acknowledge it not, chap. 5.31.*
*Chap. 8.15.
*Psal. 106.5. dan. 9.8.
*Ezek. 14.14.
*Exod. 32.14.
*1. Sam. 7.9.
*Chap. 43.11.

21 And I will deliuer thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeeme thee out of the hand of the terrible.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *The Prophet vnder the types of abstaining from marriage, from houses of mourning and feasting, foreshewith the vtter ruine of the Iewes,* 10 *because they were worse then their fathers.* 14 *Their returne from captiuity shall bee stranger then their deliuerance out of Egypt.* 16 *God will doubly recompence their Idolatry.*

THe word of the LORD came also vnto mee, saying;

2 Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou haue sonnes nor daughters in this place.

3 For thus saith the LORD concerning the sons, and concerning ỹ daughters that are borne in this place, & concerning their mothers ỹ bare them, and concerning their fathers ỹ begat them in this land:

4 They shall die of grieuous * deaths, they shall not be lamented, neither shall they be buried, *but* they shall bee as dung vpon the face of the earth, and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine, and their * carcasses shall bee meat for the fowles of heauen, and for the beasts of the earth.

5 For thus saith the LORD, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither goe to lament nor bemoane them: for I haue taken away my peace from this people, saith the LORD, *euen* louing kindnesse and mercies.

6 Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall men lament for them, nor cut themselues, nor make themselues bald for them.

7 Neither shall men * teare *themselues* for them in mourning to comfort them for the dead, neither shall men giue them the cup of consolation to drinke for their father, or for their mother.

8 Thou shalt not also goe into the house of feasting to sit with them to eat and to drinke.

9 For thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel; Behold * I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your dayes, the voyce of mirth, and the voyce of gladnesse, the voyce of the bridegroome, and the voyce of the bride.

10 ¶ And it shall come to passe * when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they shall say vnto thee; Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great euill against vs? or what is our iniquity? or what is our sinne that wee haue committed against the LORD our God?

11 Then shalt thou say vnto them, Because your fathers haue forsaken mee, saith the LORD, and haue walked after other gods, and haue serued them, and haue worshipped them, and haue forsaken me, and haue not kept my Law:

12 And ye haue done * worse then your fathers; for behold, ye walke euery one after ỹ imagination of his euill heart, that they may not harken vnto me.)

13 * Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not, *neither* ye, nor your fathers, and there shall yee serue other gods day and night, where I will not shew you fauour.

14 Therefore behold, the * dayes come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more bee said, The LORD liueth, that brought vp the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

15 But, The LORD liueth, that brought vp the children of Israel from the land of the North, and from all the lands whether hee had driuen them: and I will bring them againe into their land, that I gaue vnto their fathers.

16 ¶ Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them, and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from euery mountaine, and from euery hill, and out of the holes of the rockes.

17 For mine * eyes *are* vpon all their wayes: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double, because they haue defiled my land, they haue filled mine inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable things.

19 O LORD, my strength, and my fortresse, and my refuge in the day of affliction; the Gentiles shall come vnto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say; Surely our fathers haue inherited lies, vanity, and *things* wherein *there is* no profit.

20 Shall a man make Gods vnto himselfe, and * they *are* no Gods?

21 Therefore behold, I will this once cause them to know: I will cause them to knew mine hand and my might, and they shall know that my Name *is* the LORD.

CHAP. XVII.

1 *The captiuity of Iudah for her sin.* 5 *Trust in man is cursed.* 7 *in God, is blessed.* 9 *The deceitfull heart cannot deceiue God.* 12 *The saluation of God.* 15 *The Prophet complaineth of the mockers of his Prophecie.* 19 *Hee is sent to renew the couenant in hallowing the Sabbath.*

THe sinne of Iudah *is* written with a * pen of yron, *and* with the † point of a diamond: *it* is grauen vpon the table of their heart, and vpon the hornes of your altars:

2 Whilest their children remember their altars, and their * groues by the greene trees vpon the high hils.

3 O my mountaine, in the field * I will giue thy substance, *and* all thy treasures to the spoyle, *and* thy high places for sinne throwout all thy borders.

4 And thou † euen thy selfe shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gaue thee, and I will cause thee to serue thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for yee haue kindled a fire in mine anger, *which* shall burne for euer.

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, Cursed *be* the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arme, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, & shall not see when good commeth, but shall inhabite the parched places in the wildernesse, in a salt land, and not inhabited.

7 * Blessed *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

8 For he shall be * as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the riuer, and shall not see when heat commeth, but her leafe shall be greene, and shall not be carefull in the yeere of ‖ drought, neither shall cease from yeelding fruit.

9 ¶ The heart *is* deceitfull aboue all things, and desperately wicked, who can know it?

10 I the LORD * search the heart, ỹ try the reines, euen to giue euery man according to his waies, *and* according to the fruit of his doings.

11 *As the partridge ‖ sitteth on egges, and hatcheth them* not: *so* he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leaue them in the midst of his dayes, and at his end shall be a foole.

12 ¶ A glorious high throne from the beginning *is* the place of our Sanctuary.

13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, * all that forsake thee shall bee ashamed, and they that depart from

* Iob. 34. 21. pro. 5. 21. chap. 32. 19.

* Chap. 2. 11.

* Iob 19. 24. † Hebr. naile.

* Iud. 3. 7. Esa. 17. 8. 27. 9. Chap. 3. 6. 13.

† Hebr. in thy selfe. Iob. 36. 17.

* Psal. 118. 8. & 34. 10. & 125. 1.

* Or, sheweth

* Or, restraint. 2 Sam. 16. 7. Psal. 7. 10. chap. 11. 20. & 20. 12.

‖ Or, gathereth young, which she hatcheth not. Esa. 10. 14. Luke 12. 13. Psal. 39. 6. Iob. 27. 16. Psal. 49. 10. Iob. 20. 15. Psal. 52. 5. Iob. 31. 24. 28. Prou. 28. 8. Eccles. 2. 26.

* Psal. 22. 5. Esa. 1. 28. 8. 9.

me shall be written in the earth, because they haue
*Chap. 2.13. forsaken ȳ LORD, the *fountaine of liuing waters.
14 Heale me, O LORD, and I shall be healed: saue
me, and I shall be saued: for thou *art* my praise.
*Isa.58.19 15 ¶ Behold, they say vnto me, * Where is the
word of the LORD? let it come now.
16 As for mee, I haue not hasted from being a
†*Hebr. after thee* pastor to ‡follow thee, * neither haue I desired the
*Chap. 17.4.&c. woefull day, thou knowest *it*: that which came out
of my lips, was right before thee.
17 Be not a terrour vnto me, thou *art* my hope in
*Psal. 35.4. and 40.15. the day of euill.
18 * Let them be confounded that persecute mee,
†*Hebr. breake them with a double breach.* but let not me be confounded: let them be dismaid,
but let not me be dismaid: bring vpon them the day
*Chap. 11.20. *Neh. 13.19. of euill, and † *destroy them* with double destruction.
19 ¶ Thus said the LORD vnto me, Goe, & stand
in the gate of the children of the people, whereby
the Kings of Iudah came in, and by the which they
goe out, and in all the gates of Ierusalem.
20 And say vnto them, Heare ye the word of the
LORD, ye Kings of Iudah, and all Iudah, and all the
inhabitants of Ierusalem, ȳ enter in by these gates.
21 Thus saith the LORD; * Take heede to your
selues, and beare no burden on the Sabbath day,
nor bring *it* in by the gates of Ierusalem.
22 Neither carry forth a burden out of your hou-
*Exod. 20.8. and 23.12. and 31.13. Ezec. 20.12. ses on the Sabbath day, neither doe ye any worke,
but hallow ye the Sabbath day, as I * commanded
your fathers.
23 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their
eare, but made their necke stiffe, that they might
not heare, nor receiue instruction.
24 And it shal come to passe, if ye diligently hear-
ken vnto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no burden
thorow the gates of this city on ȳ Sabbath day, but
hallow the Sabbath day, to doe no worke therein:
*Chap. 22.8. 25 * Then shall there enter into the gates of this
city Kings and Princes sitting vpon the throne of
Dauid, riding in charets and on horses, they and
their princes the men of Iudah and the inhabitants
of Ierusalem: and this city shall remaine for euer.
26 And they shall come from the cities of Iudah,
and from the places about Ierusalem, and from the
land of Beniamin, and from the plaine, and from
the mountaines, & from the South, bringing burnt
offerings, and sacrifices and meat offerings, and in-
cense, and bringing sacrifices of praise vnto the
house of the LORD.
27 But if you will not hearken vnto me to hallow
the Sabbath day, and not to beare a burden, euen
entring in at the gates of Ierusalem on the Sabbath
day: then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof,
and it shall deuoure the pallaces of Ierusalem, and
it shall not be quenched.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Vnder the type of a potter is shewed Gods absolute power in disposing of nations. 11 Iudgements threatned to Iudah for her strang reuolt. 18 Ieremiah prayeth against his conspirators.

‖ *Or, frames or fettes.* THe word which came to Ieremiah from the
LORD, saying:
2 Arise, and goe downe to the potters house, and
there I will cause thee to heare my words.
3 Then I went downe to the potters house, and
‡ Or, that he made, was marred, as clay in the hand of the potter behold, he wrought a worke on the ‖ wheeles.
4 And the vessell ‡ that hee made of clay, was
† Hebr. returned & made. marred in the hand of the potter: so he † made it
again another vessel, as seemed good to the pot-
Isa. 45.9 Rom. 9.20 with 15.7. ter to make *it*.
5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
6 O house of Israel, * cannot I doe with you as
this potter, saith the LORD? Behold, as the clay
in the potters hand, so are ye in mine hand, O
house of Israel.
7 *At what* instant I shall speake concerning a
nation, and concerning a kingdome, to plucke vp,
and to pull downe, and to destroy it.
8 If that nation, against whom I haue pronoun-
ced, turne from their euill, * I will repent of the
euill that I thought to doe vnto them.
9 And *at what* instant I shall speake concerning
a nation, and concerning a kingdome, to build and
to plant *it*;
10 If it doe euill in my sight, that it obey not
my voyce, Then I will repent of the good where-
with I said I would benefit them.
11 ¶ Now therefore, goe to speake to the men of
Iudah, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem, saying:
Thus saith the LORD, Behold I frame euill against
you, and deuise a deuice against you: * returne ye
now euery one from his euill way, and make your
waies and your doings good.
12 And they said, * There is no hope but we will
walke after our owne deuices, and wee will euery
one doe the imagination of his euill heart.
13 Therefore thus saith the LORD: * Aske ye now
among the heathen, who hath heard such things?
The Virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible
thing.
14 Will a man leaue ‖ the * snow of Lebanon
which commeth from the rocke of the field? or shall
the cold flowing waters that come from another
place be forsaken?
15 Because my people hath * forgotten me, they
haue burnt incense to vanity, and they haue caused
them to stumble in their waies *from* the * ancient
pathes, to walke in pathes, in a way not cast vp,
16 To make their land * desolate, *and a* perpe-
all hissing: euery one that passeth thereby shall be
astonished and wag his head.
17 I will scatter them as with an East wind be-
fore the enemy: I will shew them the backe, and
not the face in the day of their calamity.
18 ¶ Then said they, Come, and let vs deuise de-
uices against Ieremiah: * for the law shall not per-
rish from the Priest, nor counsel from the wise,
nor the word from the Prophet. Come and let vs
smite him ‖ with the tongue, and let vs not giue heed
to any of his words. *Lamen. 2.9.*
19 Giue heede to me, O LORD, and hearken to
the voyce of them that contend with me.
20 Shall euill be recompensed for good? for they
haue digged a pit for my soule: remember that I
stood before thee to speake good for them, and to
turne away thy wrath from them.
21 Therefore deliuer vp their children to the fa-
mine, and † * powre out their *blood* by the force of
the sword, and let their wiues be bereaued of their
children, and *be* widdowes, & let their men be put
to death, let their young men be slaine by the sword
in battell.
22 Let a cry bee heard from their houses, when
thou shalt bring a troupe suddenly vpon them: for
they haue digged a pit to take me, and hid snares
for my feet.
23 Yet LORD, thou knowest all their counsell
against me † to slay me: forgiue not their iniquity,
neither blot out their sinne from thy sight, but let
them be ouerthrowne before thee, deale thou thus
with them in the time of thine anger.

CHAP. XIX.

1 Vnder the type of breaking a potters vessell is foreshewed the desolation of the Iewes for their

THus saith the LORD, Goe and get a potters earthen bottell, and take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the Priests.

2 And goe foorth vnto the valley of the sonne of Hinnom, which *is* by the entry of the † East gate, & proclaime there the words that I shall tell thee:

3 And say, Heare ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring euill vpon this place, the which whosoeuer heareth, his eares shall* tingle.

4 Because they haue forsaken me, and haue estranged this place, and haue burnt incense in it, vnto other gods, whom neither they, nor their Fathers haue knowne, nor the king of Iudah, and haue filled this place with the blood of innocents.

5 They haue built also the high places of Baal, to burne their sonnes with fire, for burnt offerings vnto Baal, * which I commanded not, nor spake *it*, neither came *it* into my mind.

6 Therefore behold, the dayes come, saith the LORD, that this place shall no more bee called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter.

7 And I will make void the counsell of Iudah and Ierusalem in this place, and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seeke their liues, and their * carkasses will I giue to be meat for the foules of the heauen, and for the beasts of the earth.

8 And I will make this city * desolate, & an hissing: euery one that passeth thereby, shall be astonished and hisse, because of all the plagues thereof.

9 And I will cause them to eate the * flesh of their sonnes, and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eate euery one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitnesse, wherewith their enemies and they that seeke their liues shall straiten them.

10 Then shalt thou breake the bottle in the sight of the men that goe with thee,

11 And shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Euen so will I breake this people, & this city, as one breaketh a potters vessell that † cannot be made whole againe, and they shall * bury them in Tophet, till there be no place to bury.

12 Thus will I doe vnto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and *euen* make their city as Tophet.

13 And the houses of Ierusalem, and the houses of the kings of Iudah shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses vpon whose roofes they haue burnt incense vnto all the hoste of heauen, and haue powred out drinke offerings vnto other gods.

14 Then came Ieremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesie, and hee stood in the court of the LORDS house, and said to all the people.

15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring vpon this city, and vpon all her townes, all the euill that I haue pronounced against it, because they haue hardened their necke, that they might not heare my words.

CHAP. XX.

Pashur smiting Ieremiah reuiueth a new name of fearfull doome. 7 Ieremiah complaineth of contempt. 10 Of treachery. 14 And of his birth.

NOw Pashur the sonne of Immer the Priest, who was also chiefe gouernour in the house of the LORD, heard that Ieremiah prophesied these things.

2 Then Pashur smote Ieremiah the Prophet, and put him in the stocks that *were* in the high gate of Beniamin, which *was* by the house of the LORD.

3 And it came to passe on the morrow, that Pashur brought foorth Ieremiah out of the stockes. Then said Ieremiah vnto him, The LORD hath not called thy name Pashur, but † Magor-missabib. † *That is, feare round about.*

4 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will make thee a terrour to thy selfe, and to all thy friends, and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold *it*, and I will giue all Iudah into the hand of the King of Babylon, and he shall carry them captiue into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.

5 Moreouer, * I will deliuer all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the Kings of Iudah will I giue into the hand of their enemies, which shall spoyle them, and take them and carry them to Babylon. * 2. King 22.17.

6 And thou Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall goe into captiuity, and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shalt bee buried there, thou and all thy friends to whom thou hast prophesied lies.

7 ¶ O LORD, thou hast deceiued me, and I was † deceiued, thou art stronger then I, and hast preuailed: I am in derision dayly, euery one mocketh mee. † *Or, enticed.*

8 For since I spake, I cryed out, I cryed violence and spoile; because the word of the LORD was made a reproach vnto me, and a derision dayly.

9 Then I said; I will not make mention of him nor speake any more in his Name. But his word was in mine heart, as a * burning fire shut vp in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I * could not *stay*. * Psal. 39.3. * Iob. 32.18.

10 ¶ For I heard the defaming of many, feare on euery side. Report *say they*, and we will report it: † all my familiars watched for my halting, *saying*, Peraduenture, he will be enticed: and we shall preuaile against him, and wee shall take our reuenge on him. † *Hebr. euery man of my peace.*

11 But the LORD *is* with me, as a mighty terrible one * therefore my persecuters shall stumble and they shall not preuaile; they shall be greatly ashamed for they shall not prosper, *their* * euerlasting confusion shall neuer be forgotten. * Chap. 17.18. 15.20. * Chap. 17.18.& 15.20.

12 But, O LORD of hosts, that * tryest the righteous *and* seest the reines and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for vnto thee haue I opened my cause. * Chap. 23.40.

13 Sing vnto the LORD, praise ye the LORD: for he hath deliuered the soule of the poore from the hand of euill doers. * Chap. 11.20.& 17.10.

14 ¶ Cursed *be* the day wherein I was borne: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.

15 * Cursed *be* the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is borne vnto thee, making him very glad. * Iob 3.3.11 cha.15.10

16 And let that man bee as the cities which the LORD * ouerthrew and repented not: and let him heare the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide; * Genes. 19.25.

17 Because he slew me not from the wombe: or that my mother might haue beene my graue, and her wombe to be alwayes great *with me*.

18 * Wherefore came I foorth out of the wombe to see labour and sorrow, that my dayes should bee consumed with shame? * Iob.3.23

CHAP. XXI.

1 Zedekiah sendeth to Ieremiah to enquire the euent of Nebuchadnezzars war. 3 Ieremiah foretelleth

leth a hard siege and miserable captiuitie. 8 *Hee counselleth the people to fall to the Caldeans,* 11 *and vpbraideth the Kings house.*

THe word which came vnto Ieremiah from the LORD, when King Zedekiah sent vnto him Pashur, the sonne of Melchiah, and Zephaniah the sonne of Maaseiah the Priest, saying,

2 Enquire, I pray thee, of the LORD for vs (for Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon maketh war against vs) if so be that the LORD will deale with vs, according to all his woundrous workes, that hee may goe vp from vs.

3 ¶ Then said Ieremiah vnto them; Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah;

4 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I will turne backe the weapons of war that *are* in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the King of Babylon, and against the Caldeans, which besiege you without the walles, and I will assemble them into the midst of this city.

5 And I my selfe will fight against you with an * out-stretched hand, and with a strong arme, euen in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath. * Exod. 6.6.

6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this citie, both man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

7 And afterward, saith the LORD, I will deliuer Zedekiah king of Iudah, and his seruants, and the people, and such as *are* left in this city, from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon: and into the hand of their enemies, & into the hand of those that seeke their life, and hee shall smite them with the edge of the sword: hee shall not spare them, neither haue pity, nor haue mercy.

8 ¶ And vnto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death. Deut. 15.17.

9 He that * abideth in this city, shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out and falleth to the Caldeans, that besiege you, he shall liue, and his life shall be vnto him * for a prey. * Chap. 38.2.

10 For I haue set my face against this city, for euill, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be giuen into the hand of the King of Babylon, and he shall burne it with fire. * Chap. 39.16. & 45.5.

11 ¶ And touching the house of the King of Iudah *say*, Heare ye the word of the LORD,

12 Oh house of Dauid, Thus saith the LORD * † Execute iudgement in the morning, & deliuer him that is spoiled out of † hand of the oppressor, lest my fury goe out like fire, and burne, that none can quench it, because of the euill of your doings. * Chap. 22.3. † Hebr. iudge. † Hebr. inhabitresse. † Hebr. visite vpon.

13 Behold, I *am* against thee, O † inhabitant of the valley *and* rocke of the plaine, saith the LORD, which say, Who shall come downe against vs? or who shall enter into our habitations?

14 But I will † punish you, according to the * fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and will kindle a fire in the forrest thereof, and it shall deuoure all things round about it. * Prou. 1.31.

CHAP. XXII.

1 He exhorteth to repentance with promises and threats. 10 *The iudgement of Shallum,* 13 *Of Iehoiakim,* 20 *and of Coniah.*

THus saith the LORD, Go down to the house of the king of Iudah, and speake there this word,

2 And say, Heare the word of the LORD, O king of Iudah, that sittest vpon the throne of Dauid, thou and thy seruants, and thy people that enter in by these gates,

3 Thus saith the LORD, * Execute ye iudgement, and righteousnes, & deliuer the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and doe no wrong, doe no violence to the stranger, the fatherlesse, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.

4 For if ye doe this thing indeed, * then shall there enter in by the gates of this house, Kings sitting † vpon the throne of Dauid, riding in chariots, and on horses, he, and his seruants, and his people.

5 But if ye will not heare these words, I sweare by my selfe, saith the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

6 For thus saith the LORD vnto the King house of Iudah, Thou *art* Gilead vnto me, *and the* head of Lebanon: *yet* surely I will make thee a wilderness, *and* cities *which* are not inhabited.

7 And I will prepare destroyers against thee, euery one with his weapons, and they shall cut downe thy choice Cedars, and cast *them* into the fire.

8 And many nations shall passe by this city, and they shall say euery man to his neighbour, * Wherefore hath † LORD done thus vnto this great city?

9 Then they shall answere, Because they haue forsaken the Couenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and serued them.

10 ¶ Weepe yee not for the dead, neither bemoane him, *but* weepe sore for him that goeth away: for hee shall returne no more, nor see his natiue country.

11 For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum the sonne of Iosiah king of Iudah, which reigned in stead of Iosiah his father, which went forth out of this place, hee shall not returne thither any more.

12 But he shal die in the place whither they haue led him captiue, and shall see this land no more.

13 ¶ Woe vnto * him that buildeth his house by vnrighteousnesse, and his chambers by wrong: that vseth his neighbours seruice without wages, and giueth him not for his worke:

14 That saith, I will build me a wide house, and † large chambers, and cutteth him out windowes, and it is sieled with Cedar, and painted with Vermilion.

15 Shalt thou reigne, because thou closest thy selfe in Cedar? did not thy father eat and drinke, & doe iudgment, & iustice, & then *it was* well with him?

16 Hee iudged the cause of the poore and needy, then *it was* well *with him*: *was* not this to know me, saith the LORD?

17 But thine eyes and thine heart *are* not, but for thy couetousnesse, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for † violence to doe it.

18 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, They shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah my brother, or ah sister: they shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah Lord, or ah his glory.

19 He shall be buried with the burial of an asse, drawn & cast forth beyond the gates of Ierusalem.

20 ¶ Goe vp to Lebanon and cry, and lift vp thy voice in Bashan, and cry from the passages: for all thy louers are destroyed.

21 I spake vnto thee in thy † prosperity, *but* thou saidest, I will not heare: this *hath been* thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voyce.

22 The wind shall eate vp all thy pastors, and thy louers shall goe into captiuitie, surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickednesse.

23 O † inhabitant of Lebanon, † maker thy nest in the Cedars, how gracious shalt thou be when paine is come vpon thee, † paine as of a woman in trauel!

24 As I liue saith the LORD, though Coniah the
sonne of Iehoiakim king of Iudah were the signet vp-
on my right hand, yet would I plucke thee thence.
25 And I will giue thee into the hand of them that
seeke thy life, and into the hand of them whose face
thou feareſt, euen into the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar
king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Caldeans.
26 And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that
bare thee, into another countrey, where ye were
not borne, and there shall ye die.
27 But to the land whereunto they † desire to
returne, thither shall they not returne.
28 Is this man Coniah a despised broken idole?
or a vessell wherein is no pleasure? wherefore
are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a
land which they know not?
29 O earth, earth, earth, heare the word of the
LORD.
30 Thus saith the LORD, Write yee this man
childeleſs, a man that shall not prosper in his daies:
for no man of his seed shall prosper sitting vpon the
throne of Dauid, and ruling any more in Iudah.

CHAP. XXIII.

*He propheſieth a reſtauration of the ſcattered
ſheep. 5 Chriſt ſhall rule and ſaue them. 9 Againſt
the falſe prophets. 33 & mockers of the true Prophets.*

1 Woe be vnto the pastours that destroy and
scatter the sheepe of my pasture, saith the
LORD.
2 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel
against the pastours that feed my people, Yee haue
scattered my flocke, and driuen them away, and
haue not visited them: behold, I will visit vpon you
the euill of your doings, saith the LORD.
3 And I will gather the remnant of my flocke
out of all countreys whither I haue driuen them,
and will bring them againe to their folds, and they
shall be fruitfull and increase.
4 And I will set vp * Shepherds ouer them,
which shall feed them: and they shall feare no
more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be
lacking, saith the LORD.
5 Behold, * the dayes come, saith the LORD,
that I will raiſe vnto Dauid a righteous Branche,
and a King shall reigne and prosper, and shall exe-
cute iudgement and iuſtice in the earth.
6 * In his dayes Iudah shall be saued, and Israel
shall dwell safely: and this is his Name whereby
he shall be called; † THE LORD OVR
RIGHTEOVSNES.
7 Therefore behold, * the dayes come, saith the
LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD li-
ueth, which brought vp the children of Israel out
of the land of Egypt:
8 But, The LORD liueth, which brought vp and
which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the
north country, and from all countreys whither I
had driuen them, and they shall dwell in their
owne land.
9 ¶ Mine heart within me is broken because of
the prophets, all my bones shake: I am like a drun-
ken man (and like a man whom wine hath ouer-
come) because of the LORD, and because of the
words of his holineſſe.
10 For the land is full of adulterers: for because
of swearing the land mourneth: the pleasant
places of the wilderneſſe are dried vp, and their
course is euill, and their force is not right.
11 For both Prophet and Priest are prophane, yea,
in mine house haue I found their wickednesse, saith
the LORD.
12 Therefore their way shall be vnto them as ſlip-
pery wayes in the darkneſs: they shall be driuen
on and fall therein: for I will bring euill vpon them,
euen the yeere of their viſitation, saith the LORD.
13 And I haue ſeene ‖ folly in the Prophets of
Samaria; they propheſied in Baal, and caused my
people Israel to erre.
14 I haue ſeene alſo in the Prophets of Ieruſalem
an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and
walke in lyes: they ſtrengthen alſo the hands of
euill doers, that none doeth returne from his
wickednesse: they are all of them vnto me as * So-
dome, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.
15 Therefore thus saith the ‖ LORD of hoſtes con-
cerning the Prophets, Behold, I will feed them with
* wormewood, and make them drinke the water of
gall: for from the prophets of Ieruſalem is ‖ pro-
fanenesse gone forth into all the land.
16 Thus saith the LORD of hoſtes, Hearken not
vnto the words of the prophets that propheſie vn-
to you; they make you vaine: they ſpeake a viſion
of their owne heart, and not out of the mouth of
the LORD.
17 They * say ſtill vnto them that deſpiſe me; The
LORD hath ſaid, Ye ſhall haue peace; and they ſay
vnto euery one that walketh after the ‖ imaginati-
on of his owne heart, No euill shal come vpon you.
18 For who hath ſtood in the ‖ counſell of the
LORD, and hath perceiued and heard his word? |
who hath marked his word and heard it?
19 Behold, a * whirlewind of the LORD is gone
forth in fury, euen a grieuous whirlewind, it ſhall
fall grieuouſly vpon the head of the wicked.
20 The * anger of the LORD ſhall not returne
vntill he haue executed, and till he haue performed
the thoughts of his heart: in the latter dayes yee
ſhall conſider it perfectly.
21 * I haue not ſent theſe prophets, yet they ran:
I haue not ſpoken to them, yet they propheſied.
22 But if they had ſtood in my counſell, and had
cauſed my people to heare my words, then they
ſhould haue turned them from their euill way, and
from the euill of their doings.
23 *Am* I a God at hand, ſaith the LORD, and
not a God afarre off?
24 Can any * hide himſelfe in ſecret places, that
I ſhall not ſee him, ſaith the LORD? doe not I fill
heauen and earth, ſaith the LORD?
25 I haue heard what the prophets ſaid, that
propheſie lies in my Name, ſaying, I haue dreamed,
I haue dreamed.
26 How long ſhall this be in the heart of the
prophets that propheſie lies? yea, *they are* pro-
phets of the deceit of their owne heart;
27 Which thinke to cauſe my people to * forget
my Name by their dreames, which they tell euery
man to his neighbour, as their fathers haue for-
gotten my Name for Baal.
28 The prophet † that *hath* a dreame, let him
tell a dreame, and he that *hath* my word let him
ſpeake my word faithfully: What *is* the chaffe to
the wheat, saith the LORD?
29 *Is* not my word like as a fire, saith the LORD?
and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rocke in
pieces?
30 Therefore behold, * I *am* againſt the pro-
phets, saith the LORD, that ſteale my word euery
one from his neighbour.
31 Behold, I *am* againſt the Prophets, saith the
LORD, that ‖ vſe their tongues, and ſay, He ſaith.
32 Behold, I *am* againſt them that propheſie falſe
dreames, ſaith the LORD, & doe tell them, & cauſe
my people to erre by their lies, and by their light-
neſſe,

Or, an abſurd thing.
heb. vanity.
Or, filthineſſe.
*Eſa.1.30
* Chap. 8.14. & 9.15.
Or, hypocriſie.
* Chap. 6.14.& 8. 11.ezek. 13.10.
iere.10.2
‖ Or, ſhuburnes.
‖ Or, ſecret
* Chap. 30.23.
* Chap. 30.24.
* Chap. 14.14.& 27.15.
* Pſal. 139.7, &c. amos 9.2.3.
* Iudg 3.7. & 8.33.
† Hebr. with whom is
* Deut. 18.20. chap. 14. 14,15.
‖ Or, ſhall ſmooth their tongues,

neſſe, yet I ſent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they ſhall not profit this people at all, ſaith the LORD.

33 ¶ And when this people, or the Prophet, or a Prieſt, ſhall aſke thee, ſaying, What *is* the burden of the LORD? Thou ſhalt then ſay vnto them, What burden? I will euen forſake you, ſaith the LORD.

34 And as for the Prophet, and the Prieſt, and the people, that ſhall ſay, The burden of the LORD, I will euen † puniſh that man and his houſe.

† Hebr. viſite vpon.

35 Thus ſhall ye ſay euery one to his neighbour, and euery one to his brother, What hath the LORD anſwered? and what hath the LORD ſpoken?

36 And the burden of the LORD ſhall yee mention no more: for euery mans word ſhall bee his burden: for ye haue peruerted the words of the liuing God, of the LORD of hoſtes our God.

37 Thus ſhalt thou ſay to the Prophet, What hath the LORD anſwered thee? and what hath the LORD ſpoken?

38 But ſith yee ſay, The burden of the LORD; therefore thus ſaith the LORD, Becauſe yee ſay this word, The burden of the LORD, and I haue ſent vnto you, ſaying; ye ſhall not ſay, The burden of the LORD:

39 Therefore behold, I, euen I will vtterly forget you, & I will forſake you, and the city † I gaue you, and your fathers, *and caſt you* out of my preſence.

* Chap. 20.11.

40 And I will bring * an euerlaſting reproach vpon you, and a perpetuall ſhame which ſhall not be forgotten.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 *Vnder the type of good and bad figs, 4 he foreſheweth the reſtauration of them that were in captiuity, 8 and the deſolation of Zedekiah & the reſt.*

THe LORD ſhewed me, and behold, two baſkets of figges were ſet before the Temple of the LORD, after that Nebuchad-rezzar * King of Babylon had caried away captiue Ieconiah the ſonne of Iehoiakim King of Iudah, and the Princes of Iudah, with the Carpenters and and Smithes from Ieruſalem, and had brought them to Babylon.

* 2. Kings 24.12. 2. chron. 36.10.

2 One baſket *had* very good figs, *euen* like the figs that are firſt ripe: and the other baſket *had* very naughey figs, which could not be eaten, † they were ſo bad.

† Hebr. for badneſſe.

3 Then ſaid the LORD vnto me: What ſeeſt thou Ieremiah? and I ſaid; Figs: the good figs, very good: and the euill very euill; that cannot be eaten they are ſo euill.

4 ¶ Againe the word of the LORD came vnto me, ſaying;

† Hebr. captiuity.

5 Thus ſaith the LORD the God of Iſrael, like theſe good figs, ſo will I acknowledge them that are carried away † captiue of Iudah, whom I haue ſent out of this place into the land of the Caldeans for *their* good.

* Deu.30. 6. chap. 32.39. ezek.11. 19.& 36. 26,27.

6 For I will ſet mine eies vpon them for good, and I will bring them againe to this land, and I will build them, and not pull *them* downe, and I will plant them, and not pluck*e them* vp.

* Chap. 30.22.& 31.33.

7 And I will giue them * an heart to know me, that I *am* the LORD, and they ſhall be * my people, and I will be their God: for they ſhall returne vnto me with their whole heart.

* Chap. 29.17.

† Hebr. for remouing or vexation.

8 ¶ And as the euill * figs which cannot be eaten they are ſo euill; (Surely thus ſaith the LORD) ſo will I giue Zedekiah the King of Iudah, and his Princes, and the reſidue of Ieruſalem that remaine in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt.

* Deu.28 37.chap. 23.4.

9 And I will deliuer them † to* be remooued into all the kingdomes of the earth for *their* hurt, to be a reproch, and a prouerbe, a taunt and a curſe, in all places whither I ſhall driue them.

† to

10 And I will ſend the ſword, the famine, & peſtilence among them, till they be conſumed from off the land † I gaue vnto them & to their fathers.

CHAP. XXV.

1 *Ieremiah reproouing the Iewes diſobedience, the Prophecy, 8 foreſeeth the ſeuenty yeres captiuity, 12 and after that the deſtruction of Babylon. 15 Vnder the type of a cup of wine, he ſheweth the deſtruction of all nations. 34 The howling of the ſhepherds.*

THe word † I came to Ieremiah concerning all the people of Iudah, in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the ſon of Ioſiah King of Iudah, that is the firſt yeere of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon.

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2 The which Ieremiah the Prophet ſpake vnto all the people of Iudah, and to all the inhabitants of Ieruſalem, ſaying;

3 From the thirteenth yeere of Ioſiah the ſonne of Amon king of Iudah, euen vnto this day (that is the three & twentieth yeere) the word of the LORD hath come vnto me, and I haue ſpoken vnto you, riſing early and ſpeaking, but ye haue not hearkened.

4 And the LORD hath ſent vnto you all his ſeruants the Prophets, * riſing early and ſending *them*, but ye haue not hearkened, nor inclined your eare to heare.

* Chap. 7.13. & 29.19. & 35.14. 15.

5 They ſaid, * Turne ye againe now euery one from his euill way, & from the euill of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath giuen vnto you, and to your fathers for euer and euer.

* Chap. 18.11. & 26.3. & 35.15. Ezek.33.11.

6 And go not after other gods to ſerue them, & to worſhip them, & prouoke me not to anger with the works of your hands, & I will do you no hurt.

7 Yet ye haue not hearkened vnto me, ſaith the LORD, that ye might prouoke me to anger with the workes of your hands to your owne hurt.

8 Therefore thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes, Becauſe ye haue not heard my words:

9 Behold, I will ſend and take all the families of the North, ſaith the LORD, and Nebuchad-rezzar the king of Babylon my ſeruant, & will bring them againſt this land, and againſt the inhabitants thereof, and againſt all theſe nations round about, and will vtterly deſtroy them, and make them an aſtoniſhment, & an hiſſing, & perpetuall deſolations.

10 Moreouer, † I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladneſſe, the voice of the bridegroome, and the voice of the bride, the ſound of the milſtones, and the light of the candle.

† I will take from them the

11 And this whole land ſhall be a deſolation, *and* an aſtoniſhment, and theſe nations ſhall ſerue the King of Babylon ſeuenty yeeres.

12 ¶ And it ſhall come to paſſe * when ſeuenty yeeres are accompliſhed, that I will † puniſh the King of Babylon, and that nation, ſaith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Caldeans, and will make it perpetuall deſolations.

* Chap. 29.10. 2. chron. 36.21.

† Hebr. viſite vpon.

13 And I will bring vpon that land all my words which I haue pronounced againſt it, *euen* all that is written in this booke, which Ieremiah hath prophecied againſt all the nations.

14 For many nations and great Kings * ſhall ſerue themſelues of them alſo: and I will recompenſe them according to their deedes, and according to the works of their owne hands.

* Deut.28 37.chap. 27.7. & 30.16. Dan.5.21.

15 ¶ For thus ſaith the LORD God of Iſrael vnto me, Take the wine * cup of this fury at my hand, and cauſe all the nations to whom I ſend thee to drinke it.

* Pſal. 75.8. Iſa. 51.17. Lam. 4.21. Hab. 2.16. Reu. 14.10. & 16.19.

16 And they ſhall drinke and be moued, and be
nd, becauſe of the ſword that I will ſend among
17 Then tooke I the cup at the LORD S hand, and
ade all the nations to drinke, vnto whom the
LORD had ſent me:
18 To wit, Ieruſalem, and the cities of Iudah, and
e Kings thereof, and the Princes thereof, to make
em a deſolation, an aſtoniſhment, an hiſſing, and
curſe (as it is this day:)
19 Pharaoh King of Egypt, and his ſeruants, and
is Princes, and all his people:
20 And all the mingled people, and all the kings
f the land of Vz: and all the kings of the land of
e Philiſtines, and Aſhkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Aſhdod:
21 *Edom, and *Moab, and the children of *Ammon:
22 And all the kings of *Tyrus, and all the kings
f Zidon, and the kings of the Ilands which are be-
ond the *Sea:
23 *Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all † that are
the vtmoſt corners:
24 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings
f the *mingled people that dwell in the deſart:
25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings
f *Elam, and all the kings of the Medes:
26 And all the kings of the North, far and neere,
one with another, and all the kingdomes of the
world, which are vpon the face of the earth, and
the King of Sheſhach ſhall drinke after them.
27 Therefore thou ſhalt ſay vnto them, Thus ſaith
the LORD of hoſtes the God of Iſrael; Drinke ye
and be drunken, and ſpue, and fall, and riſe no more,
becauſe of the ſword which I will ſend among you.
28 And it ſhall be, if they refuſe to take the cup
at thine hand to drinke, then ſhalt thou ſay vnto
them, Thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes, Ye ſhall cer-
tainely drinke.
29 For loe, I begin to bring euill on the * city
which is called by my Name, and ſhould ye be vt-
terly vnpuniſhed? ye ſhall not be vnpuniſhed: for
I will call for a ſword vpon all the inhabitants of
the earth, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes.
30 Therefore propheſie thou againſt them all
theſe words, and ſay vnto them, The LORD ſhall
roare from on high, and vtter his voyce from his
holy habitation, he ſhall mightily roare vpon his
habitation, he ſhall giue a ſhout, as they that tread
the grapes, againſt all the inhabitants of the earth.
31 A noiſe ſhall come euen to the ends of the
earth: for the LORD *hath* a controuerſie with the
nations, he will plead with all fleſh: he will giue
them that *are* wicked to the ſword, ſaith the LORD.
32 Thus ſaith the LORD of hoſts, Behold, euill ſhall
go forth from nation to nation, & a great whirle-
wind ſhall be raiſed vp from the coaſts of the earth.
33 And the ſlaine of the LORD ſhall be at that day
euen vnto the ends of the earth euen vnto the *other* end
of the earth: they ſhall not be * lamented, neither
gathered, nor buried, they ſhall be dung vpon the
ground.
34 ¶ Howle ye ſhepherds, and cry, and wallow
your ſelues *in the aſhes* ye principall of the flocke:
for the dayes of your ſlaughter, and of your diſ-
perſions are accompliſhed, and ye ſhall fall like † a
pleaſant veſſell.
35 And † the ſhepherds ſhall haue no way to flee,
nor the principall of the flocke to eſcape.
36 A voice of the cry of the ſhepherds, and an
howling of the principall of the flock *ſhalbe heard*;
for the LORD hath ſpoiled their paſture.
37 And the peaceable habitations are cut downe
becauſe of the fierce anger of the LORD.
38 Hee hath forſaken his couert as the Lyon: for
their land is † deſolate, becauſe of the fierceneſſe of the oppreſſour, and becauſe of his fierce anger.

† Heb. a deſolation.

CHAP. XXVI.

Ieremiah by promiſes and threatnings, exhorteth to repentance. 8 He is therefore apprehended. 10 and arraigned. 11 His apologie. 16 He is quit in iudgement, by the example of Micah, 20 and of Vrijah, 24 and by the care of Ahikam.

IN the beginning of the reigne of Iehoiakim the ſonne of Ioſiah King of Iudah, came this word from the LORD, ſaying,
2 Thus ſaith the LORD, Stand in the court of the LORD S houſe, and ſpeake vnto all the cities of Iudah, which come to worſhip in the LORD S houſe, all the words that I command thee to ſpeake vnto them: * diminiſh not a word.

* Acts 20. 27.

3 If ſo be they will hearken, and turne euery man from his euill way, that I may repent mee of the euill which I purpoſe to doe vnto them, becauſe of the euill of their doings.

* Chap. 18.8.

4 And thou ſhalt ſay vnto them, Thus ſaith the LORD, If ye will not harken to me, to walke in my Law which I haue ſet before you,
5 To hearken to the words of my ſeruants the Prophets, whom I ſent vnto you both riſing vp early, and ſending them, (but ye haue not hearkened)
6 Then will I make this houſe like *Shiloh: and will make this city a curſe to all the nations of the earth.

* 1 Sam. 4.12. cha 7.12.14. pſ. 78.60.

7 So the Prieſts and the Prophets, and all the people heard Ieremiah ſpeaking theſe words in the houſe of the LORD.
8 ¶ Now it came to paſſe, when Ieremiah had made an end of ſpeaking all that the LORD had commanded him to ſpeake vnto all the people, that the Prieſts and the Prophets, and all the people tooke him, ſaying; Thou ſhalt ſurely die.
9 Why haſt thou propheſied in the Name of the LORD, ſaying, This houſe ſhall be like Shiloh, and this city ſhall be deſolate without an inhabitant? and all the people were gathered againſt Ieremiah in the houſe of the LORD.
10 ¶ When the Princes of Iudah heard theſe things, then they came vp from the Kings houſe vnto the houſe of the LORD, and ſate downe in the entry of the new gate of the LORD S *houſe*.

‖ Or, at the doore.

11 Then ſpake the Prieſts and the Prophets vnto the Princes, and to all the people, ſaying; † This man is worthy to die, for he hath propheſied againſt this city, as ye haue heard with your eares.

† Hebr. ſtrivdgement of death is for this man.

12 ¶ Then ſpake Ieremiah vnto all the Princes, and to all the people, ſaying; The LORD ſent me to propheſie againſt this houſe, and againſt this city, all the words that ye haue heard.
13 Therefore now * amend your waies, and your doings, & obey the voyce of the LORD your God, and the LORD will * repent him of the euill that he hath pronounced againſt you.

* Chap. 7.3. * ver. 19.

14 As for mee, behold, I am in your hand: doe with me † aſ ſeemeth good and meet vnto you.

† Hebr. as it is good and right in your eyes.

15 But know ye for certaine, that if ye put mee to death, ye ſhall ſurely bring innocent blood vpon your ſelues, and vpon this city, & vpon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the LORD hath ſent me vnto you to ſpeake all theſe words in your eares.
16 ¶ Then ſaid the Princes, and all the people, vnto the Prieſts, and to the Prophets; This man is not worthy to die: for he hath ſpoken to vs in the Name of the LORD our God.

17 Then

17 Then roſe vp certaine of the Elders of the land, and ſpake to all the aſſembly of the people, ſaying;

*Mic.1.1 and 3.12. 18 *Micah the Morashite prophecied in the dayes of Hezekiah King of Iudah, and ſpake to all the people of Iudah, ſaying: Thus ſaith the LORD of hoſts, Zion ſhall be plowed *like* a field, and Ieruſalem ſhall become heapes, and the mountaine of the houſe, the high places of a forreſt.

19 Did Hezekiah King of Iudah, and all Iudah, put him at all to death? did he not feare the LORD, and beſought † the LORD, and the LORD repented him of the euill which he had pronounced againſt them? thus might wee procure great euill againſt our ſoules.

† *Hebr. the face of the LORD.*

20 And there was alſo a man that prophecied in the Name of the LORD, Vrijah the ſon of Shemaiah of Kiriath-iearim, who prophecied againſt this citty, and againſt this land, according to all the words of Ieremiah.

21 And when Iehoiakim the King, with all his mighty men, & all the princes heard his words, the King ſought to put him to death; but when Vrijah heard it, he was afraid, & fled, & went into Egypt.

22 And Iehoiakim the King ſent men into Egypt, *namely*, Elnathan the ſon of Achbor, and *certaine* men with him into Egypt.

23 And they fet forth Vrijah out of Egypt, and brought him vnto Iehoiakim the King, who ſlew him with the ſword, and caſt his dead body into the graues of the † common people.

† *Hebr. ſonnes of the people*

24 Neuertheleſſe, the hand of Ahikam the ſonne of Shaphan was with Ieremiah, that they ſhould not giue him into the hand of the people, to put him to death.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 Vnder the type of bonds and yokes, hee propheſieth the ſubduing of the neighbour Kings vnto Nebuchad-nezzar. 8 He exhorteth them to yeeld, and not to beleeue the falſe prophets. 12 The like he doth to Zedekiah. 19 He foretelleth the remnant of the veſſels ſhall be carried to Babylon, and there continue vntill the day of viſitation.

IN the beginning of the reigne of Iehoiakim the ſonne of Ioſiah King of Iudah, came this word vnto Ieremiah from the LORD, ſaying,

2 Thus ſaith the LORD to me, Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them vpon thy necke.

3 And ſend them to the King of Edom, and to the King of Moab, and to the King of the Ammonites, and to the King of Tyrus, and to the King of Zidon, by the hand of the meſſengers, which come to Ieruſalem vnto Zedekiah King of Iudah.

4 And command them to ſay vnto their maſters, Thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes the God of Iſrael, Thus ſhall ye ſay † vnto your Maſters.

† *Or, concerning their maſters, ſaying,*

5 I haue made the earth, the man and the beaſt that *are* vpon the ground, by my great power, and by my out-ſtretched arme, and * haue giuen it vnto whom it ſeemed meet vnto me.

*Dan.4. 34.32. *Chap. 25.9. and 43.10.

6 And now haue I giuen all theſe lands into the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar, the King of Babylon, * my ſeruant, and the beaſts of the field haue I giuen him alſo to ſerue him.

7 And all nations ſhall ſerue him, and his ſon, and his ſons ſonne, vntill the very time of his land come: and then many nations and great Kings ſhall ſerue themſelues of him.

8 And it ſhall come to paſſe, that the nation and kingdom which will not ſerue the ſame Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babylon, and that will not put their necke vnder the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I puniſh (ſaith the LORD, with the ſword, and with the famine, and with the peſtilence, vntill I haue conſumed them by his hand.

9 Therefore hearken not yee to your propheſyers, to your diuiners, nor to your † dreamers, nor to your inchanters, nor to your ſorcerers, which ſpeake vnto you, ſaying, Ye ſhall not ſerue the King of Babylon:

† *Or, dreamers,*

10 For they propheſie a lie vnto you, to remoue you farre from your land, and that I ſhould driue you out, and ye ſhould periſh.

11 But the nations that bring their necke vnder the yoke of the King of Babylon, & ſerue him, them will I let remaine ſtill in their owne land, (ſaith the LORD,) and they ſhall till it, and dwell therein.

12 ¶ I ſpake alſo to Zedekiah King of Iudah, according to all theſe words, ſaying, Bring your necks vnder the yoke of the King of Babylon, and ſerue him and his people, and liue.

13 Why will ye die, thou and thy people, by the ſword, by the famine, and by the peſtilence, as the LORD hath ſpoken againſt the nation that will not ſerue the King of Babylon?

14 Therefore hearken not vnto the words of the prophets, that ſpeake vnto you, ſaying, Ye ſhall not ſerue the King of Babylon: for they propheſie a lie vnto you.

15 For I haue not ſent them, ſaith the LORD, yet they propheſie † a lie in my Name, that I might driue you out, and that ye might periſh, ye and the prophets that propheſie vnto you.

† *Hebr. a lie in my Name.*

16 Alſo I ſpake to the Prieſts, and to all this people, ſaying; Thus ſaith the LORD, Hearken not to the words of your prophets, that propheſie vnto you, ſaying; Behold, the veſſels of the LORDS houſe ſhall now ſhortly be brought againe from Babylon: for they propheſie a lie vnto you.

17 Hearken not vnto them, ſerue the King of Babylon, and liue: wherefore ſhould this citty be laid waſte?

18 But if they *be* Prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them, let them now make intercceſſion to the LORD of hoſtes, that the veſſels which are left in the houſe of the LORD, and in the houſe of the King of Iudah, and at Ieruſalem, go not to Babylon.

19 ¶ For thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes, concerning the pillars, and concerning the Sea, and concerning the baſes, and concerning the reſidue of the veſſels that remaine in this citty,

20 Which Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon tooke not, when he carried away * captiue Ieconiah the ſonne of Iehoiakim King of Iudah, from Ieruſalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Iudah and Ieruſalem;

21 Yea, thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes the God of Iſrael, concerning the veſſels that remaine in the houſe of the LORD, and in the houſe of the King of Iudah, and of Ieruſalem;

22 They ſhall be * carried to Babylon, and there ſhall they be vntill the day that I viſite them, ſaith the LORD: then will I bring them vp, and reſtore them to this place.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 Hananiah propheſieth falſe the returne of veſſels, and of Ieconiah. 5 Ieremiah willing it true, ſheweth that the euents muſt inclare true Prophets. 10 Hananiah breaketh the yoke. 12 Ieremiah telleth of an yron yoke. 15 foretelleth Hananiahs death.

AND it came to paſſe the ſame yeere, in the beginning of the reigne of Zedekiah King of Iudah, in the fourth yeere, *and* in the fifth moneth, that Hananiah the ſon of Azur the Prophet, which was of Gi-

ake vnto me in the house of the LORD, in the pre-
ence of the Priests and of all the people, saying,
2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of
srael, saying; I haue broken the yoke of the King
f Babylon.
3 Within † two full yeeres will I bring againe
nto this place all the vessels of the LORDS house,
hat Nebuchad-nezzar king of Babylon took away
rom this place, and carried them to Babylon.
4 And I will bring againe to this place Ieconiah
he sonne of Iehoiakim King of Iudah, with all the
aptiues of Iudah that went into Babylon, saith
he LORD, for I will breake the yoke of the king
f Babylon.
5 ¶ Then the Prophet Ieremiah said vnto the
rophet Hananiah in the presence of the Priests,
nd in the presence of all the people that stood in
he house of the LORD,
6 Euen the Prophet Ieremiah said, Amen: the
ORD do so, the LORD performe the words which
hou hast prophesied, to bring againe the vessels of
he LORDS house, and all that is carried away cap-
iue from Babylon into this place.
7 Neuerthelesse, heare thou now this word that
peake in thine eares, and in the eares of all the
eople.
8 The Prophets that haue beene before me and
efore thee of olde, prophesied both against many
ountries and against great kingdomes, of warre,
nd of euill, and of pestilence.
9 The Prophet which prophesieth of peace, when
he word of the Prophet shall come to passe, then
hall the Prophet be knowne that the LORD hath
ruely sent him.
10 ¶ Then Hananiah the Prophet tooke the
oke from off the Prophet Ieremiahs necke, and
rake it.
11 And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the
eople, saying; Thus saith the LORD, Euen so
will I breake the yoke of Nebuchad-nezzar King
f Babylon from the necke of all nations, within
he space of two full yeeres: and the Prophet Iere-
iah went his way.
12 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came vnto Ie-
emiah the Prophet (after that Hananiah the Pro-
het had broken the yooke from off the necke of the
rophet Ieremiah,) saying,
13 Goe and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus saith the
ORD, Thou hast broken the yokes of wood, but
hou shalt make for them yokes of yron.
14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of
srael, I haue put a yoke of yron vpon the necke of
hese nations, that they may serue Nebuchad-
ezzar King of Babylon, and they shall serue him,
nd I haue giuen him the beasts of the field also.
15 ¶ Then said the Prophet Ieremiah vnto Hana-
iah the prophet, Heare now Hananiah: The LORD
ath not sent thee, but thou makest this people to
rust in a lie.
16 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will
ast thee from off the face of the earth: this yeere
hou shalt die, because thou hast taught † rebel-
ion against the LORD.
17 So Hananiah the Prophet died the same yere,
n the seuenth moneth.

CHAP. XXIX.

*Ieremiah sendeth a letter to the captiues in Ba-
ylon, quit them there, 8 and not to beleeue the
ames of their prophets, 10 and that they shall
eturne with grace, after seuentie yeeres. 15 Hee
oldeth the destruction of the rest for their dis-
bedience. 20 He sheweth the fearefull end of Ahab
and Zedekiah, two lying prophets. 24 Shemaiah
writeth a letter against Ieremiah. 29 Ieremiah
readeth his doome.*

NOw these are the words of the letter that Ie-
remiah the Prophet sent from Ierusalem vnto
the residue of the Elders which were caried away
captiues, and to the Priests, and to the Prophets,
and to all the people whom Nebuchad nezzar had
carried away captiue from Ierusalem to Babylon.
2 (After that * Ieconiah the King, and the
Queene, and the ‖ Eunuches, the Princes of Iudah
and Ierusalem, and the carpenters and the smithes
were departed from Ierusalem.)
3 By the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan, and
Gemariah the sonne of Hilkiah, whom Zedekiah
King of Iudah sent vnto Babylon to Nebuchad-
nezzar King of Babylon, saying,
4 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Is-
rael vnto all that are carried away captiues, whom
I haue caused to bee caried away from Ierusalem
vnto Babylon.
5 Build ye houses, and dwell *in them*, and plant
gardens, and eate the fruit of them.
6 Take ye wiues, and beget sonnes and daugh-
ters, and take wiues for your sonnes and giue your
daughters to husbands, that they may beare sonnes
and daughters, that ye may be increased there, and
not diminished.
7 And seeke the peace of the city whither I haue
caused you to bee carried away captiues, and pray
vnto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof
shall ye haue peace.
8 ¶ For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of
Israel, Let not your Prophets & your diuiners that
be in the midst of you, * deceiue you, neither hearken
to your dreames which ye cause to be dreamed.
9 For they prophesie † falsely vnto you in my
Name: I haue not sent them, saith the LORD.
10 ¶ For thus saith the LORD, That after * se-
uenty yeeres bee accomplished at Babylon I will
visite you, and performe my good word towards
you, in causing you to returne to this place.
11 For I know the thoughts that I thinke to-
wards you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and
not of euill, to giue you an † expected end.
12 Then shall ye * call vpon me, and ye shall goe
and pray vnto me, and I will hearken vnto you.
13 And ye shall seeke me, and finde *me*, when ye
shall search for me with all your heart.
14 And I will be found of you, saith the LORD,
and I will turne away you captiuity, and I will
gather you from all the nations, and from all the
places whither I haue driuen you, saith the LORD,
and I will bring you againe into the place whence
I caused you to be carried away captiue.
15 ¶ Because yee haue said, The LORD hath rai-
sed vs vp Prophets in Babylon:
16 *Know* that thus saith the LORD of the King
that sitteth vpon the throne of Dauid, and of all
the people that dwelleth in the city, and of your
brethren that are not gone foorth with you into
captiuity:
17 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, Behold, I
will send vpon them the * sword, the famine, and
the pestilence, and will make them like * vile figs,
that cannot be eaten they are so euill.
18 And I will persecute them with the sword,
with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will
deliuer them to be removed to all the kingdomes
of the earth, † to bee a curse, and an astonishment,
and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the natio-
ns whither I haue driuen them.

19 Be-

* 2. Kings 24.12. &c.
‖ Or, chamberlaines.
* Chap. 14.14. & 23.21. & 27.15.
† Heb. in a lie.
* 2. Chro. 36.22. ezr. 1.1. chap. 25. 12. and 27.22. dan. 9.2.
† Heb. end and expectation.
* Dan. 9.
* Chap. 24.8. 10.
* Chap. 24.8.
† Heb. for a curse.

19 Because they haue not hearkened to my words, saith the LORD, which I * sent vnto them by my seruants the Prophets, rising vp early, and sending *them*, but ye would not heare, saith the LORD.

*Chap. 35.4. & 32.33.

20 ¶ Heare ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captiuity, whom I haue sent from Ierusalem to Babylon.

21 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the sonne of Maaseiah, which prophesie a lie vnto you in my Name: Behold, I will deliuer them into the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon, and he shall slay them before your eyes.

22 And of them shall bee taken vp a curse by all the captiuity of Iudah, which *are* in Babylon, saying, The LORD make thee like Zedekiah, and like Ahab, whom the King of Babylon rosted in the fire.

23 Because they haue committed villany in Israel, and haue committed adultery with their neighbours wiues, and haue spoken lying words in my Name, which I haue not commanded them, euen I know, and *am* a witnesse, saith the LORD.

24 ¶ Thus shalt thou also speake to Shemaiah the ‖ Nehelamite, saying,

‖Or, dreamer.

25 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying: Because thou hast sent letters in thy name vnto all the people that *are* at Ierusalem and to Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the Priest, and to all the Priests, saying,

26 The LORD hath made thee Priest in the stead of Iehoiada the Priest, that ye should be officers in the house of the LORD, for euery man that is * mad, and maketh himselfe a Prophet, that thou shouldest put him in prison, and in the stockes:

*2. Kings 9.11. acts 26.24.

27 Now therefore, why hast thou not reproued Ieremiah of Anathoth, which maketh himselfe a Prophet to you?

28 For therefore he sent vnto vs in Babylon, saying, This *captiuity is* long, build yee houses, and dwell *in them*, and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

29 And Zephaniah the Priest read this letter in the eares of Ieremiah the Prophet.

30 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto Ieremiah, saying,

31 Send to all them of the captiuity, saying, Thus saith the LORD concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite, Because that Shemaiah hath prophesied vnto you, and I sent him not, and hee caused you to trust in a lie:

32 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seed: he shall not haue a man to dwell among this people, neither shall hee behold the good that I will doe for my people, saith the LORD, * Because hee hath taught † rebellion against the LORD.

*Chap. 28.16.

†Hebr. reuolt.

CHAP. XXX.

1 *God sheweth Ieremiah the returne of the Iewes.* 4 *After their trouble, they shall haue deliuerance.* 10 *He comforteth Iacob.* 18 *Their returne shall be gracious.* 20 *Their state shall stand in the sight of God.* 23 *The wicked shall fall on the wicked.*

THE word that came to Ieremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying; Write thee all the words that I haue spoken vnto thee in a booke.

3 For loe, the dayes come, saith the LORD, that I will bring againe the captiuity of my people Israel and Iudah, saith the LORD, and I will cause them to returne to the land that I gaue to their fathers, and they shall possesse it.

4 ¶ And these *are* the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel, and concerning Iudah.

5 For thus saith the LORD, We haue heard a voice of trembling, of feare, and not of peace.

6 Aske ye now, and see whether a man doth trauell with childe? wherefore doe I see euery man with his hands on his loynes, as a woman in trauell, and all faces are turned into paleneſſe?

7 * Alas, for that day *is* great, so that none is like it: it *is* euen the time of Iacobs trouble; but he shall be saued out of it.

8 For it shall come to passe in that day, saith the LORD of hostes *that* I will breake his yoke from off thy necke, and will burſt thy bonds, and strangers shall no more seruе themſelues of him.

9 But they shall serue the LORD their God and * Dauid their King, whom I will raiſe vp vnto them.

10 ¶ Therefore * feare thou not, O my ſeruant Iacob, ſaith the LORD, neither be diſmayed, O Iſrael; for loe, I will ſaue thee from a farre, and thy ſeed from the land of their captiuity, and Iacob ſhall returne and ſhall be in reſt, and be quiet, and none ſhall make *him* afraid.

11 For I *am* with thee, ſaith the LORD, to ſaue thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I haue ſcattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee, but I will correct thee * in meaſure, and will not leaue thee altogether vnpuniſhed.

12 For thus ſaith the LORD, Thy breach *is* incurable, *and* thy wound *is* grieuous.

13 There is none to plead thy cauſe, that thou mayeſt be bound vp: thou haſt no healing medicines.

14 All thy louers haue forgotten thee, they ſeeke thee not: for I haue wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chaſtiſement of a cruell one, for the multitude of thine iniquity; *because* thy ſinnes were increaſed.

15 Why * cryeſt thou for thine affliction? thy ſorrow *is* incurable, for the multitude of thine iniquity: *because* thy ſins were increaſed, I haue done theſe things vnto thee.

16 Therefore all they that deuoure thee, * ſhall be deuoured, and all thine aduerſaries euery one of them ſhall goe into captiuity; and they that ſpoile thee, ſhall be a ſpoile; and all that prey vpon thee will I giue for a prey.

17 For I will reſtore health vnto thee, and I will heale thee of thy wounds, ſaith the LORD; becauſe they called thee an out caſt, ſaying, This is Zion, whom no man ſeeketh after.

18 ¶ Thus ſaith the LORD; Behold, I will bring againe the captiuity of Iacobs tents, and haue mercie on his dwelling places: and the citie ſhall be builded vpon her own heape, and the palace ſhall remaine after the manner thereof.

19 And out of them ſhall proceed thankeſgiuing and the voice of them that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they ſhall not be few: I will alſo glorifie them, and they ſhall not be ſmall.

20 Their children alſo ſhall be as aforetime, and their congregation ſhall be eſtabliſhed before me, and I will puniſh all that oppreſſe them.

21 And their nobles ſhall be of themſelues, and their gouernour ſhall proceed from the midſt of them, and I will cauſe him to draw neere, and he ſhall approach vnto me: for who * is hee that hath ingaged his heart to approach vnto me, ſaith the LORD?

22 And ye ſhall be * my people, and I will be your God.

23 Behold, the * whirlewinde of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a † continuing whirle-

...ind, it shall fall with paine vpon the head of ...e wicked.
24 The fierce anger of the LORD shall not re...ne, vntill he haue done it, and vntill hee haue ...performed the intents of his heart: in the latter ...ys ye shall consider it.

CHAP. XXXI.

1 *The restauration of Israel.* 10 *The publication ...reof.* 15 *Rahel mourning, is comforted.* 18 *E...phrim repenting, is brought home againe.* 22 *Christ ...promised.* 27 *His care ouer the Church.* 31 *His ...new Couenant* 35 *The stability,* 38 *and amplitude ...of the Church.*

AT the same time, saith the LORD, will I be ...to the God of all the families of Israel, and ...they shall be my people.
2 Thus saith the LORD, The people which were ...left of the sword, found grace in the wilderneſſe, ...euen Israel when I went to cause him to rest.
3 The LORD hath appeared † of old vnto me, ...saying, Yea, I haue loued thee with an euerlasting ...loue: therefore † with louing kindneſſe haue I ...drawne thee.
4 Againe, I will build thee and thou shalt bee ...built, O virgin of Israel thou shalt againe be ador...ned with thy * tabrets, and shalt goe foorth in ...the dances of them that make merry.
5 Thou shalt yet plant vines vpon the moun...taines of Samaria, the planters shall plant, and ...shall † eate *them* as common things.
6 For there shall bee a day that the watchmen ...vpon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise yee, and ...let vs goe vp to Zion vnto the LORD our God.
7 For thus saith the LORD, Sing with gladneſſe ...for Iacob, and shout among the chiefe of the nati...ons: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD saue ...thy people, the remnant of Israel.
8 Behold, I will bring them from the North ...country, and gather them from the coastes of the ...earth, *and* with them the blinde and the lame, the ...woman with child and her that trauaileth with ...child together, a great company shall returne ...thither.
9 They shall come with weeping, and with ...supplications will I leade them: I will cause ...them to walke by the riuers of waters, in a strait ...way wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a fa...ther to Israel, and Ephraim is my * first borne.
10 Heare the word of the LORD, O ye nations, ...and declare it in the Iles afar off, and say, He that ...scattered Israel will gather him, and keepe him ...as a shepherd *doth* his flocke.
11 For the LORD hath redeemed Iacob, and ran...somed him from the hand of him that was stronger ...then hee.
12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the ...height of Zion, and shall flow together to the ...goodneſſe of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, ...and for oyle, and for the young of the flocke, and of ...the herd: and their soules shall be as a * watered ...garden, and they shall not sorrow any more at all.
13 Then shall the virgine reioyce in the dance, ...both youngmen and old together: for I will turne ...their mourning into ioy, and will comfort them, ...and make them reioyce from their sorrow.
14 And I will satiate the soule of the Priests ...with fatneſſe, and my people shall bee satisfied ...with my goodneſſe, saith the LORD.
15 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, * A voyce was heard ...in Ramah, lamentation, *and* bitter weeping, Rahel ...weeping for her children, refused to be comforted ...for her children, because they *were* not.
16 Thus saith the LORD, Refraine thy voyce ...from weeping, and thine eyes from teares: for thy ...worke shalbe rewarded, saith the LORD, and they ...shall come againe from the land of the enemy.
17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the ...LORD, that *thy* children shall come againe to their ...owne border.
18 ¶ I haue surely heard Ephraim bemoaning ...himselfe *thus*, Thou hast chastised mee, and I was ...chastised, as a bullocke vnaccustomed *to the yoke:* ...turne thou me, and I shall bee turned; thou *art* the ...LORD my God.
19 Surely * after that I was turned, I repented: ...and after that I was instructed, I smote vpon *my* ...thigh: I was ashamed, yea, euen confounded, be...cause I did beare the reproach of my youth.
20 Is Ephraim my deare sonne? *is he* a pleasant ...child? for since I spake against him, I doe earnest...ly remember him still: therefore my bowels † are ...troubled for him: I will surely haue mercy vpon ...him, saith the LORD.
21 Set thee vp way-markes: make thee high ...heapes: set thine heart toward the high-way, *euen* ...the way *which* thou wentest: turne againe, O vir...gine of Israel: turne againe to these thy cities.
22 ¶ How long wilt thou goe about, O thou ...backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created ...a new thing in the earth: a woman shall compasse ...a man.
23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Is...rael, As yet they shall vse this speech in the land of ...Iudah, and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring ...againe their captiuity, The LORD blesse thee, O ...habitation of Iustice, and mountaine of holinesse.
24 And there shall dwell in Iudah it selfe, and ...in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and ...they *that* goe foorth with flockes.
25 For I haue satiated the weary soule, and I ...haue repleniſhed euery sorrowfull soule.
26 Vpon this I awaked, and beheld, and my sleepe ...was sweet vnto me.
27 ¶ Behold, the daies come, saith the LORD, that ...I will sow the house of Israel, & the house of Iudah ...with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.
28 And it shall come to passe, *that* like as I haue ...watched ouer them, to plucke vp, and to breake ...downe, and to throw downe, and to destroy, and to ...afflict: so will I watch ouer them, to build, and to ...plant, saith the LORD.
29 * In those dayes they shall say no more, The ...fathers haue eaten a sowre grape, and the chil...drens teeth are set on edge.
30 But euery one shall die for his owne iniquity: ...euery man that eateth the sowre grape, his teeth ...shall be set on edge.
31 ¶ Behold, the * dayes come, saith the LORD, ...that I will make a new Couenant with the house ...of Israel, and with the house of Iudah.
32 Not according to the Couenant that I made ...with their fathers in the day *that* I tooke them by ...the hand, to bring them out of the land of Egypt, ...which my Couenant they brake, † although I was ...an husband to them, saith the LORD.
33 But this *shall be* the Couenant that I will ...make with the house of Israel; After those dayes, ...saith the LORD, I will put my Law in their in...ward parts, and write it in their hearts, * and will ...be their God, and they shall be my people.
34 And they shall teach no more euery man his ...neighbour, and euery man his brother, saying, Know ...the LORD: for * they shall all know me, from the ...least of them vnto the greatest of them, saith the ...LORD; for I will forgiue their iniquity, and I will ...remember their sinne no more.

Deut. 30.3.

† Heb. sounded.

10. *Should haue continued an husband vnto them?*

* Ezek. 18.2.

* Heb. 8.8

* Chap. 24 7. & 32.40

* Isa. 54.13 Ioh. 6.45.

LORD: *for I will forgiue their iniquity, and I will remember† their sinne no more.

35 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, *which giueth the Sunne for a light by day, and the ordinances of the Moone, and of the Starres for a light by night, which diuideth *the Sea when the waues thereof roare, the LORD of hostes is his Name.

36 *If these ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for euer.

37 Thus saith the LORD, *If heauen aboue can be measured, & the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I wil also cast off all the seed of Israel, for all that they haue done, saith the LORD.

38 ¶ Behold, the dayes come, saith the LORD, that the city shall be built to the LORD, from the tower of Hananeel, vnto the gate of the corner.

39 And the measuring line shall yet goe foorth ouer against it, vpon the hill Gareb, and shall compasse about to Goath.

40 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the fields vnto the brooke of Kidron, vnto the corner of the horse-gate towards the East, *shall be* holy vnto the LORD, it shall not be plucked vp, nor throwne downe any more for euer.

CHAP. XXXII.

1 Ieremiah being imprisoned by Zedekiah, for his prophecy, 6 buyeth Hanameels field. 13 Baruch must preserue the Euidences, as tokens of the peoples returne. 16 Ieremiah in his prayer complaineth to God: 26 God confirmeth the captiuity for their sinnes, 36 and promiseth a gracious returne.

THe word that came to Ieremiah from the LORD, in the tenth yeere of Zedekiah King of Iudah, which *was* the eighteenth yeere of Nebuchad-rezzar.

2 For then the King of Babylons army besieged Ierusalem: and Ieremiah the Prophet *was* shut vp in the court of the prison, which *was* in the King of Iudahs house.

3 For Zedekiah King of Iudah had shut him vp, saying, Wherefore doest thou prophesie, and say, Thus saith the LORD, *Behold, I will giue this city into the hand of the King of Babylon, and hee shall take it?

4 And Zedekiah King of Iudah shall not escape out of the hand of the Caldeans, but shall *surely* be deliuered into the hand of the King of Babylon, and shall speake with him mouth to mouth, and *his* eyes shall behold his eyes.

5 And hee shall lead Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall hee be vntill I visite him, saith the LORD: though yee fight with the Caldeans, yee shall not prosper.

6 ¶ And Ieremiah said, The word of the LORD came vnto me saying,

7 Behold, Hanameel the sonne of Shallum thine vncle shall come vnto thee, saying, Buy thee my field that *is* in Anathoth: for the *right of redemption *is* thine to buy *it*.

8 So Hanameel mine vncles sonne came to mee in the court of the prison, according to the word of the LORD, and said vnto mee, Buy my field, I pray thee, that *is* in Anathoth, which *is* in the country of Beniamin: for the right of inheritance *is* thine, and the redemption *is* thine, buy it for thy selfe. Then I knew that this *was* the word of the LORD.

9 And I bought the field of Hanameel my vncles sonne that *was* in Anathoth, and weighed him the money, *euen* seuenteene shekels of siluer.

10 And I ‖ subscribed the euidence, and sealed *it*, and tooke witnesses, and weighed him the money in the ballances.

11 So I tooke the euidence of the purchase, both that which was sealed *according* to the law and *the* custome, and that which was open.

12 And I gaue the euidence of the purchase vnto Baruch the sonne of Neriah, the sonne of Maasiah, in the sight of Hanameel mine vncles sonne, and in the presence of the witnesses, that subscribed the booke of the purchase, before all the Iewes that sate in the court of the prison.

13 ¶ And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

14 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Take these euidences, this euidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this euidence which is open, and put them in an earthen vessell, that they may continue many dayes.

15 For thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Houses, and fields, and vineyards shall be possessed againe in this land.

16 ¶ Now when I had deliuered the euidence of the purchase vnto Baruch the sonne of Neriah, I prayed vnto the LORD, saying,

17 Ah Lord GOD, behold, thou hast made the heauen and the earth by thy great power, and *by* thy stretched-out arme, *and* there is nothing ‖ too hard for thee.

18 Thou shewest *louing kindnesse vnto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosome of their children after them: the great, the mighty God, the LORD of hostes is his Name.

19 Great in counsell, and mighty in † worke: for thine *eyes are open vpon all the wayes of the sonnes of men, to giue euery one according to his wayes, and according to the fruit of his doings:

20 Which hast set signes and wonders in the land of Egypt, euen vnto this day, and in Israel, and amongst *other* men, and hast made thee a Name, as at this day.

21 And hast brought foorth thy people Israel *out of the land of Egypt, with signes, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with a stretched-out arme, and with great terrour,

22 And hast giuen them this land, which thou didst sweare to their fathers to giue them, a land flowing with milke and honey.

23 And they came in and possessed it, but they obeyed not thy voyce, neither walked in thy Law: they haue done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to doe: therefore thou hast caused all this euill to come vpon them.

24 Behold the ‖ mounts, they are come vnto the city to take it, and the city is giuen into the hand of the Caldeans that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence: and what thou hast spoken is come to passe, and behold thou seest *it*.

25 And thou hast said vnto me, O Lord GOD, buy thee the field for money, and take witnesses: for the city is giuen into the hand of the Caldeans.

26 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto Ieremiah, saying,

27 Behold, I *am* the LORD, the *God of all flesh: Is there any thing too hard for mee?

28 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will giue this city into the hand of the Caldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon, and he shall take it.

29 And the Caldeans that fight against this city shall come and set fire on this city, & burne it with the houses, *vpon whose rooftes they haue of-

*Chap. 33.8. mic. 7.18. 2Cor. 10.43. * Gen. 3.16. *Isa. 51.15 *Isa. 44.9 ch. 23.20

*Chap. 33.26.

*Chap. 34.2.

*Chap. 34.3.

*Leuit. 25.24. ruth. 4.4.

‖ Or, seuen shekels, and ten pieces of siluer. † Hebr. wrote in the booke.

cause vnto Baal, and powred out drinke offerings
nto other gods, to prouoke me to anger.
For the children of Israel, and the children
f Iudah, haue onely done euill before me from
heir youth: for the children of Israel haue onely
rouoked mee to anger with the worke of their
ands, saith the LORD.
For this city hath bene to mee as † a prouoca-
ion of mine anger and of my fury, from the day
hat they built it, euen vnto this day, that I should
emoue it from before my face:
Because of all the euill of the children of Is-
el, and of the children of Iudah, which they haue
one to prouoke mee to anger, they, their Kings,
heir Princes, their Priests, and their Prophets, and
he men of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem.
And they haue turned vnto me the † backe,
nd not the face, though I taught them, rising vp
arly and teaching them, yet they haue not heard-
ned to receiue instruction:
But they set their abominations in the house
hich is called by my Name) to defile it.
And they built the high places of Baal, which
re in the valley of the sonne of Hinnom, to * cause
heir sonnes and their daughters to passe thorow
re vnto * Molech, which I commanded them
neither came it into my mind, that they should
his abomination, to cause Iudah to sinne.
¶ And now therefore, thus saith the LORD
God of Israel concerning this city whereof ye
e shall be deliuered into the hand of the King
f Babylon, by the sword, and by the famine, and
y the pestilence:
Behold, I will * gather them out of all coun-
ries, whither I haue driuen them in mine anger,
nd in my fury, and in great wrath, and I will
ring them againe vnto this place: and I will
use them to dwell safely.
And they shall be * my people, and I will be
heir God.
And I will * giue them one heart, and one
ay, that they may feare me † for euer, for the good
f them, and of their children after them.
And I will make an euerlasting Couenant
with them, that I will not turne away † from them
o doe them good: but I will put my feare in their
earts, that they shall not depart from me.
Yea, I will reioyce ouer them to doe them
good, and I will plant them in this land † assured-
y with my whole heart, and with my whole soule.
For thus saith the LORD, Like as I haue
rought all this great euill vpon this people, so
m I bring vpon them all the good that I haue
romised them.
And fields shall be bought in this land, where-
of ye say, It is desolate without man or beast, it is
iuen into the hand of the Caldeans.
Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe
he euidences, and seale them, and take witnesses in
he land of Beniamin, and in the places about Ieru-
alem, and in the cities of Iudah, and in the cities
f the mountaines, and in the cities of the valley,
nd in the cities of the South: for I will cause
heir captiuity to returne, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XXXIII.

*He promiseth to the captiuity a gracious re-
turne: 9 A ioyfull state: 12 A setled gouern-
ment: 15 Christ the branch of righteousnesse: 17
The continuance of Kingdome and Priesthood: 20
The stability of a blessed seed.*

Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto
Ieremiah the second time, (while hee was
yet * shut vp in the court of the prison) saying, * Chap. 32. 2.
2 Thus saith the LORD, the * Maker thereof, 32. 23.
the LORD that formed it, to stablish it, the LORD * Isa. 37.
is his Name: 26.
3 Call vnto me, and I will answere thee, and
shew thee great and † mighty things, which thou † Or, hidden.
knowest not.
4 For thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel,
concerning the houses of this city, and concerning
the houses of the Kings of Iudah, which are
throwne downe by the mounts, and by the sword;
5 They came to fight with the Caldeans, but it
is to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom
I haue slaine in mine anger, and in my fury, and
for all whose wickednesse I haue hid my face from
this city.
6 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I
will cure them, and will reueale vnto them the
abundance of peace and trueth.
7 And I will cause the captiuity of Iudah, And
the captiuity of Israel to returne, and will build
them as at the first.
8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniqui-
ty, whereby they haue sinned against mee, and I will
* pardon all their iniquities, whereby they haue sin- * Chap.
ned, & whereby they haue transgressed against mee. 31. 34.
mic. 7. 18.
9 ¶ And it shall be to mee a name of ioy, a praise,
and an honour before all the nations of the earth,
which shall heare all the good that I do vnto them;
and they shall feare & tremble for all the goodnes
and for all the prosperity that I procure vnto it.
10 Thus saith the LORD, Againe there shall be
heard in this place (which ye say *shall be* desolate,
without man, and without beast, *euen* in the cities
of Iudah, and in the streetes of Ierusalem, that are
desolate without man, and without inhabitant, and
without beast,)
11 The * voyce of ioy, and the voice of gladnes, * Chap.
the voyce of the bridegroome, and the voyce of the 7. 34. and
bride, the voyce of them that shall say, Praise 16. 9.
the LORD of hostes, for the LORD *is* good, for his
mercy *endureth* for euer, *and* of them that shall
bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the
LORD: for I will cause to returne the captiuity of
the land, as at the first, saith the LORD.
12 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, Againe in this
place which *is* desolate without man, and without
beast, and in all the cities thereof, *shall be* an habita-
tion of shepherds, causing their flocks to lie down.
13 In the cities of the mountaines, in the cities
of the vale, and in the cities of the South, and in
the land of Beniamin, and in the places about Ie-
rusalem, and in the cities of Iudah, shall the flockes
passe againe vnder the hands of him that telleth
them saith the LORD.
14 Behold the dayes come, saith the LORD, that * Chap.
I will performe that good thing which I haue pro- 33. 5. isa.
mised vnto the house of Israel, and to the house of 11. 1. and
Iudah. 4. 2.
15 ¶ In those dayes, and at that time I will cause † Hebr.
the * Branch of righteousnesse to grow vp vnto lehmah-
Dauid, and he shall execute iudgement and righte- tsidkenu.
ousnesse in the land.
16 In those dayes shall Iudah be saued, and Ieru- † Hebr.
salem shal dwel safely, and this *is the name* where with there shal
she shalbe called, † The LORD our righteousnesse. not be cut
17 ¶ For thus saith the LORD, † Dauid shall off from
neuer * want a man to sit vpon the throne of the Dauid.
house of Israel. * 2. Sam.
18 Neither shall the Priests the Leuites want a 7. 16.
man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to kin- 1. kings.
dle meat offerings, and to doe sacrifice continually. 2. 4.

19 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Ieremiah, saying,

*Chap. 31.36. Ia.54.9. 20 Thus saith the LORD, *If you can breake my Couenant of the day, and my Couenant of the night, and that there should not bee day and night in their season:

21 *Then* may also my Couenant be broken with Dauid my seruant, that he should not haue a sonne to reigne vpon his throne; and with the Leuites the Priests, my Ministers.

*Chap. 31.37. 22 As *the host of heauen cannot bee numbred, neither the sand of the Sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of Dauid my seruant, and the Leuites that minister vnto me.

23 Moreouer, the word of the LORD came to Ieremiah, saying,

24 Considerest thou not what this people haue spoken, saying, The two families which the LORD hath chosen, he hath euen cast them off? Thus they haue despised my people, that they should bee no more a nation before them.

25 Thus saith the LORD, If my Couenant be not with day and night, *and* if I haue not appointed the ordinances of heauen and earth:

26 Then will I cast away the seed of Iacob, and Dauid my seruant, *so* that I will not take any of his seed to bee rulers ouer the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob: for I will cause their captiuity to returne, and haue mercy on them.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

Ieremiah prophesieth the captiuity of Zedekiah and the city. 8 The Princes and the people hauing dismissed their bond seruants, contrary to the Couenant of God reassume them. 12 Ieremiah for their disobedience, giueth them and Zedekiah into the hands of their enemies.

2 Kings 25.1. &c. chap.52.1. †Heb. the dominion of his hand. THE word which came vnto Ieremiah from the LORD, (*when Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdomes of the earth, of his † dominion, and all the people fought against Ierusalem, and against all the cities thereof,) saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Goe, and speake to Zedekiah King of Iudah; and tell him, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will giue this city into the hand of the King of Babylon, and he shall burne it with fire.

3 And thou shalt not escape out of his hand, but shalt surely be taken, and deliuered into his hand, and thine eyes shall behold the eyes of the King of Babylon, and † he shall speake with thee mouth to mouth, and thou shalt goe to Babylon.

*Chap. 32.4. †Heb. his mouth shall speake to thy mouth. 4 Yet heare the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah King of Iudah: Thus saith the LORD of thee, Thou shalt not die by the sword:

5 *But* thou shalt die in peace, and with the burnings of thy fathers, the former Kings which were before thee, so shall they burne odours for thee, and they will lament thee, *saying*, Ah Lord; for I haue pronounced the word, saith the LORD.

6 Then Ieremiah the Prophet spake all these words vnto Zedekiah King of Iudah in Ierusalem;

7 When the King of Babylons army fought against Ierusalem, and against all the cities of Iudah that were left, against Lachish, and against Azekah; for these defenced cities remained of the cities of Iudah.

8 ¶ This *is* the word that came vnto Ieremiah, from the LORD, after that the King Zedekiah had made a couenant with all the people which *were* at Ierusalem, to proclaime *liberty vnto them,

*Exod. 21.2. 9 That euery man should let his man seruant and euery man his maid-seruant, being an Hebrew, or an Hebrewesse, goe free; that none should serue himselfe of them, *to wit*, of a Iew his brother.

10 Now when all the Princes, and all the people which had entred into the Couenant, heard that euery one should let his man seruant, and euery one his maid seruant goe free, that none should serue themselues of them any more, then they obeyed, and let *them* goe.

11 But afterwards they turned, and caused the seruants, and the hand maides, whom they had let goe free, to returne, and brought them into subiection for seruants, and for hand-maides.

12 ¶ Therefore the word of the LORD came to Ieremiah from the LORD, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, I made a couenant with your fathers, in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

14 At the end of *seuen yeeres, let ye goe euery man his brother, an Hebrew, which hath been sold vnto thee: & when he hath serued thee six yeeres, thou shalt let him goe free from thee, but your fathers hearkened not vnto me, neither inclined their eare.

15 And ye were † now turned, & had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty euery man to his neighbour; and ye had made a couenant before me in the house, † which is called by my Name,

16 But yee turned and polluted my Name, and caused euery man his seruant, and euery man his hand maid, whom yee had set at liberty, at their pleasure to returne; & brought them vnto subiection to be vnto you for seruants, & for hand maids.

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Ye haue not hearkened vnto mee, in proclaiming liberty euery one to his brother, and euery man to his neighbour: behold, I proclaime a liberty for you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine, and I will make you † to bee removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

18 And I will giue the men that haue transgressed my Couenant, which haue not performed the words of the couenant which they had made before mee, when they cut the calfe in twaine, & passed betweene the parts thereof,

19 The Princes of Iudah, and the Princes of Ierusalem, the Eunuches, and the Priests, and all the people of the land, which passed betweene the parts of the calfe,

20 I will euen giue them into the hand of their enemies, & into the hand of them that seeke their life, and their * dead bodies shall be for meat vnto the foules of the heauen, & to the beasts of the earth.

21 And Zedekiah King of Iudah, and his Princes will I giue into the hand of their enemies, and to the hand of them that seeke their life, and to the hand of the King of Babylons army which are gone vp from you.

22 Behold, I will command, saith the LORD, and cause them to returne to this city, and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burne it with fire: and I will make the cities of Iudah a desolation without an inhabitant.

CHAP. XXXV.

By the obedience of the Rechabites. 12 Ieremiah condemneth the disobedience of the Iewes. God blesseth the Rechabites for their obedience.

THE word which came vnto Ieremiah from the LORD, in the dayes of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, saying,

2 Goe vnto the house of the Rechabites, and speake vnto them, and bring them into the house

the LORD, into one of the chambers, and giue them wine to drinke.

3 Then I tooke Iaazaniah the sonne of Ieremiah, the son of Habaziniah and his brethren, and all his sonnes, and the whole house of the Rechabites:

4 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber of the sonnes of Hanan, the sonne of Igdaliah a man of God, which was by the chamber of the Princes, which was aboue the chamber of Maaseiah the sonne of Shallum, the keeper of the † doore.

5 And I set before the sonnes of the house of the Rechabites pots ful of wine, & cups, and I said vnto them, Drinke ye wine.

6 But they said, We will drinke no wine: for Ionadab the sonne of Rechab our father commanded vs, saying, Ye shall drinke no wine neither ye, nor your sonnes for euer.

7 Neither shall ye build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor haue any: but all your dayes ye shall dwell in tents, that ye may liue many dates in the land where ye be strangers.

8 Thus haue we obeyed the voice of Ionadab the sonne of Rechab our father in al that he hath charged vs, to drinke no wine all our dayes, we, our wiues, our sonnes, nor our daughters:

9 Nor to build houses for vs to dwell in, neither haue we vineyard, nor field, nor seed.

10 But we haue dwelt in tents, and haue obeyed and done according to all that Ionadab our father commanded vs.

11 But it came to passe when Nebuchad rezzar King of Babylon came vp into the land, that we said, Come, and let vs goe to Ierusalem, for feare of the army of the Caldeans, and for feare of the army of the Syrians: So we dwell at Ierusalem.

12 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto Ieremiah, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Goe, and tell the men of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem, Will ye not receiue instruction to hearken to my words, saith the LORD?

14 The words of Ionadab the sonne of Rechab, that he commanded his sonnes not to drinke wine, are performed: for vnto this day they drink none, but obey their fathers commandement, notwithstanding I haue spoken vnto you rising early, and speaking: but ye hearkened not vnto me.

15 I haue sent also vnto you all my seruants the Prophets rising vp early, and sending them, saying, Returne ye now euery man from his euill way, & amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serue them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I haue giuen to you, and to your fathers: but ye haue not inclined your eare, nor hearkened vnto me.

16 Because the sonnes of Ionadab, the son Rechab haue performed the commandement of their father, which he commanded them, but this people haue not hearkened vnto me.

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring vpon Iudah and vpon all the inhabitants of Ierusalem, all the euill that I haue pronounced against them, because I haue spoken vnto them, but they haue not heard, and I haue called vnto them, but they haue not answered.

18 ¶ And Ieremiah said vnto the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the LORD of hosts the God of Israel, Because ye haue obeyed the commandement of Ionadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according vnto all that he hath commanded you:

19 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hostes the God of Israel, Ionadab the sonne of Rechab shall not † want a man to stand before me for euer. † Hebr. there shal not want.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 Ieremiah causeth Baruch to write his prophesie, 5 and publikely to read it. 11 The Princes hauing intelligence thereof by Michaiah, send Iehudi to fetch the roule and reade it. 19 They will Baruch to hide himselfe and Ieremiah. 20 The King Iehoiakim being certified thereof, heareth part of it, and burneth the roule. 27 Ieremiah denounceth his iudgements. 32 Baruch writeth a new copy.

AND it came to passe in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the son of Iosiah King of Iudah, that this word came vnto Ieremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Take thee a roule of a booke, and write therein all the words, that I haue spoken vnto thee against Israel, and against Iudah, and against all the nations, from the day I spake vnto thee, from the dayes of Iosiah euen vnto this day.

3 It may be that the house of Iudah will heare all the euill which I purpose to doe vnto them, that they may returne euery man from his euill way, that I may forgiue their iniquity and their sinne.

4 Then Ieremiah called Baruch the sonne of Neriah, and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Ieremiah, all the words of the LORD, which he had spoken vnto him vpon a roule of a booke.

5 And Ieremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut vp, I cannot goe into the house of the LORD.

6 Therefore goe thou and reade in the roule, which thou hast written from my mouth, the words of the LORD in the eares of the people, in the LORDS house vpon the fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in the eares of all Iudah that come out of their cities.

7 It may be they will present their supplication † Hebr. their supplication shall fall, before the LORD, and will returne euery one from his euill way: for great is the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced against his people.

8 And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Ieremiah the Prophet commanded him, reading in the booke the words of the LORD, in the LORDS house.

9 And it came to passe in the fift yeere of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, in the ninth moneth, that they proclaimed a fast before the LORD to all the people in Ierusalem, and to all the people that came from the cities of Iudah vnto Ierusalem.

10 Then read Baruch in the Booke the words of Ieremiah in the house of the LORD, in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the Scribe, in the higher court, at the † entrie of the new gate of the LORDS house, in the eares of all the people. † Or, doore.

11 ¶ When Michaiah the son of Gemariah the * Chap. 26. 10. son of Shaphan had heard out of the booke, all the words of the LORD.

12 Then he went downe into the kings house into the Scribes chamber, and loe, all the Princes sate there, euen Elishama the Scribe, & Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the sonne of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the sonne of Hananiah, and all the Princes.

13 Then Michaiah declared vnto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the booke in the eares of the people.

14 Therefore all the Princes sent Iehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the sonne of Cushi vnto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hand the

roule, wherein thou haſt read in the eares of the people, and come. So Baruch the ſonne of Neriah tooke the roule in his hand and came vnto them.

15 And they ſaid vnto him, Sit down now, & reade it in our eares. So Baruch read it in their eares.

16 Now it came to paſſe when they had heard all the words, they were afraid both one and other, and ſaid vnto Baruch, We will ſurely tell the king of all theſe words.

17 And they aſked Baruch, ſaying, Tell vs now, How diddeſt thou write all theſe words? at his mouth?

18 Then Baruch anſwered them, He pronounced all theſe words vnto mee with his mouth, and I wrote *them* with inke in the booke.

19 Then ſaid the Princes vnto Baruch, Goe hide thee, thou and Ieremiah, and let no man know where ye *be*.

20 ¶ And they went in to the King into the court, but they laid vp the roule in the chamber of Elithama the Scribe, and told all the words in the eares of the King.

21 So the King ſent Iehudi to feteh the roule, and he tooke it out of Elithama the Scribes chamber, & Iehudi read it in the eares of the King, and in the eares of all the Princes that ſtood beſide the King.

22 Now the King ſate in the winter houſe in the ninth moneth, and there was a *fire* on the hearth, burning before him.

23 And it came to paſſe *that* when Iehudi had read three or foure leaues, he cut it with the pen-knife, and caſt it into the fire that *was* on the hearth, vntill all the roule was conſumed in the fire that *was* on the hearth.

24 Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, *neither* the king nor any of his ſeruants that heard all theſe words.

25 Neuertheleſſ Elnathan, and Delaiah, and Gemariah had made interceſsion to the King, that hee would not burne the roule: but he would not heare them.

26 But the King commanded Ierahmeel the ſon of Hammelech, and Seraiah the ſonne of Azriel, and Shelemiah the ſonne of Abdiel, to take Baruch the Scribe, and Ieremiah the Prophet: but the LORD hid them.

Or, of the King.

27 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came to Ieremiah, (after that the King had burnt the roule, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Ieremiah) ſaying,

28 Take thee againe another roule, and write in it all the former words that were in the firſt roule, which Iehoiakim the King of Iudah hath burnt.

29 And thou ſhalt ſay to Iehoiakim King of Iudah, Thus ſaith the LORD, Thou haſt burnt this roule, ſaying, Why haſt thou written therein, ſaying, The King of Babylon ſhall certainely come and deſtroy this land, and ſhall cauſe to ceaſe from thence man and beaſt?

30 Therefore thus ſaith the LORD of Iehoiakim, King of Iudah, He ſhall haue none to ſit vpon the throne of Dauid, and his dead body ſhall bee * caſt out in the day to the heat and in the night to the froſt.

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31 And I will † puniſh him and his ſeed, and his ſeruants, for their iniquitie, and I will bring vpon them, and vpon the inhabitants of Ieruſalem, and vpon the men of Iudah, all the euill that I haue pronounced againſt them, but they hearkened not.

† Heb. viſite vpon.

32 ¶ Then tooke Ieremiah another roule, & gaue it to Baruch the Scribe, the ſonne of Neriah, who wrote therein from the mouth of Ieremiah, all the words of the booke which Iehoiakim king of Iudah had burnt in the fire, and there were added beſides vnto them, many † like words.

CHAP. XXXVII.

1 The Egyptians hauing raiſed the ſiege of the Caldeans, King Zedekiah ſendeth to Ieremiah to pray for the people. 6 Ieremiah propheſieth the Caldeans certaine returne and victory. 11 He is taken for a fugitiue, beaten and put in priſon. 16 He aſſureth Zedekiah of the captiuity. 18 Entreating for his liberty, he obtaineth ſome fauour.

AND King * Zedekiah the ſon of Ioſiah reigned in ſtead of Coniah the ſon of Iehoiakim, whom Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon made King in the land of Iudah.

2 But neither he, nor his ſeruants, nor the people of the land did hearken vnto the words of the LORD, which he ſpake † by the Prophet Ieremiah.

3 And Zedekiah the king ſent Iehucal the ſonne of Shelemiah, & Zephaniah the ſon of Maaſeiah the Prieſt, to the Prophet Ieremiah, ſaying, Pray now vnto the LORD our God for vs.

4 Now Ieremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into priſon.

5 Then Pharaohs armie was come forth out of Egypt: and when the Caldeans that beſieged Ieruſalem, heard tidings of them, they departed from Ieruſalem.

6 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto the Prophet Ieremiah, ſaying,

7 Thus ſaith the LORD, the God of Iſrael, Thus ſhall ye ſay to the king of Iudah, that ſent you vnto me to enquire of mee, Behold, Pharaohs army which is come forth to helpe you, ſhall returne to Egypt into their owne land.

8 And the Caldeans ſhall come againe and fight againſt this citie, & take it and burne it with fire.

9 Thus ſaith the LORD, Deceiue not your ſelues, ſaying, The Caldeans ſhall ſurely depart from vs: for they ſhall not depart.

10 For though ye had ſmitten the whole armie of the Caldeans that fight againſt you, and there remained but † wounded men among them, yet ſhould they riſe vp enery man in his tent, and burne this citie with fire.

11 ¶ And it came to paſſe that when the armie of the Caldeans was † broken vp from Ieruſalem for feare of Pharaohs armie,

12 Then Ieremiah went forth out of Ieruſalem to goe into the land of Beniamin, to ſeparate himſelfe thence in the midſt of the people.

13 And when he was in the gate of Beniamin, a captaine of the ward *was* there, whoſe name was Irijah, the ſon of Shelemiah, the ſon of Hananiah, and he tooke Ieremiah the Prophet, ſaying, Thou fallеſt away to the Caldeans.

14 Then ſaid Ieremiah, It is † falſe, I fall not away to the Caldeans: but he hearkened not to him: ſo Irijah tooke Ieremiah, and brought him to the Princes.

15 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Ieremiah, and ſmote him, and put him in priſon, in the houſe of Ionathan the Scribe, for they had made that the priſon.

16 ¶ When Ieremiah was entred into the dungeon, and into the † cabins, and Ieremiah had remained there many dayes.

17 Then Zedekiah the King ſent and tooke him out: and the King aſked him ſecretly in his houſe, and ſaid, Is there *any* word from the LORD? And Ieremiah ſaid; There is: for ſaid he, thou ſhalt be

18 Moreouer

† Heb. houſes of vaulted worke.

18 Moreouer, Ieremiah said vnto King Zedekiah, What haue I offended against thee, or against thy seruants, or against this people, that yee haue put me in prison?

19 Where are now your prophets, which prophesied vnto you, saying, The King of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?

20 Therefore heare now, I pray thee, O my lord the king, ¶ let my supplication I pray thee, be accepted before thee, that thou cause me not to returne to the house of Ionathan the Scribe, least I die there.

21 Then Zedekiah the King commanded that they should commit Ieremiah into the court of the prison, and that they should giue him daily a piece of bread out of ¶ bakers street, vntill all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Ieremiah remained in the court of the prison.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

1 Ieremiah by a false suggestion is put into the dungeon of Malchiah. 7 Ebedmelech by suit getteth him some enlargement. 14 Vpon secret conference betweene him and the King by yeelding to saue his life. 24 By the Kings instructions he concealeth the conference from the Princes.

THen Shephatiah the sonne of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and Iucal the son of Shelemiah, and Pashur, the son of Malchiah heard the words that Ieremiah had spoken vnto all the people, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD, * He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence; but he that goeth forth to the Caldeans shall liue: for hee shall haue his life for a prey, and shall liue.

3 Thus saith the LORD, This city shall surely bee giuen into the hand of the King of Babylons army which shall take it.

4 Therefore the Princes said vnto the King, We beseech thee let this man be put to death: for thus he weakeneth the hands of the men of warre that remaine in the city, and the hands of all the people in speaking such words vnto them, for this man seeketh not the † welfare of this people, but the hurt.

5 Then Zedekiah the King said, Behold, hee *is* in your hand, for the King *is* not hee *that* can doe any thing against you.

6 Then tooke they Ieremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah, the son of ¶ Hammelech that *was* in the court of the prison: and they let Ieremiah with cords: and in the dungeon *there was* no water but mire: so Ieremiah sunke in the mire.

7 ¶ Now when Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, one of the Eunuches which was in the Kings house, heard that they had put Ieremiah in the dungeon, (the King then sitting in the gate of Beniamin,)

8 Ebedmelech went forth out of the Kings house, and spake to the King, saying,

9 My lord the King, these men haue done euill in all that they haue done to Ieremiah the Prophet, whom they haue cast into the dungeon, and † he is like to dye for hunger in the place where he is, for there is no more bread in the city.

10 Then the King commanded Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from hence thirty men with thee, and take vp Ieremiah the Prophet out of the dungeon before he die.

11 So Ebedmelech tooke the men with him, and went into the house of the king vnder the treasury, and tooke thence old cast clouts, & old rotten rags, and let them downe by cords into the dungeon to Ieremiah.

12 And Ebedmelech the Ethiopian said vnto Ieremiah, Put now these old cast clouts, and rotten rags vnder thine armes holes vnder the cords. And Ieremiah did so.

13 So they drew vp Ieremiah with cords, and tooke him vp out of the dungeon, and Ieremiah remained in the court of the prison.

14 ¶ Then Zedekiah the King sent and tooke Ieremiah the Prophet vnto him into the ‖ third entry that is in the house of the LORD, and the King said vnto Ieremiah, I will aske thee a thing: hide nothing from me.

15 Then Ieremiah said vnto Zedekiah, If I declare it vnto thee, wilt thou not surely put me to death? and if I giue thee counsell, wilt thou not hearken vnto me?

16 So the King sware secretly vnto Ieremiah, saying, As the LORD liueth, that made vs this soule, I will not put thee to death, neither will I giue thee into the hand of these men that seeke thy life.

17 Then said Ieremiah vnto Zedekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of hostes, the God of Israel, If thou wilt assuredly goe forth vnto the King of Babylons Princes, then thy soule shall liue, and this city shall not bee burnt with fire, and thou shalt liue and thine house.

18 But if thou wilt not goe forth to the King of Babylons Princes, then shall this city be giuen into the hand of the Caldeans, and they shall burne it with fire, and thou shalt not escape out of their hand.

19 And Zedekiah the King said vnto Ieremiah, I am afraid of the Iewes that are fallen to the Caldeans, least they deliuer me into their hand and they mocke me.

20 But Ieremiah said, They shall not deliuer *thee*, obey, I beseech thee, the voyce of the LORD, which I speake vnto thee, so it shall bee well vnto thee, and thy soule shall liue.

21 But if thou refuse to goe forth, this *is* the word that the LORD hath shewed me.

22 And behold all the women that are left in the King of Iudahs house, shall be brought forth to the Princes of the King of Babylons, and those women shall say, † Thy friends haue set thee on, and haue preuailed against thee: thy feet are sunke in the mire, *and* they are turned away backe.

23 So they shall bring out all thy wiues, and thy children to the Caldeans, and thou shalt not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the King of Babylon: and † thou shalt cause this city to be burnt with fire.

24 ¶ Then said Zedekiah vnto Ieremiah, Let no man know of these words, and thou shalt not die.

25 But if the Princes heare ¶ I haue talked with thee and they come vnto thee, & say vnto thee, Declare vnto vs now what thou hast said vnto the King: hide it not from vs, and we will not put thee to death: also what the King said vnto thee?

26 Then thou shalt say vnto them, I presented my supplication before the King ¶ he would not cause me to returne to Ionathans house to die there.

27 Then came all the Princes vnto Ieremiah, and asked him, and he told them according to all these words that the king had commanded: ¶ they left off speaking with him, for the matter was not perceiued.

28 So Ieremiah abode in the court of the prison, vntill the day that Ierusalem was taken, *and he was there* when Ierusalem was taken.

‖ Or, principall.

† Hebr. men of thy peace.

† Hebr. thou shalt burne, &c.

† Hebr. they were silent from him.

CHAP. XXXIX.

1 *Ierusalem is taken.* 4 *Zedekiah is made blinde & sent to Babylon.* 8 *The citie ruinated.* 9 *the people captiuated.* 11 *Nebuchadrezzars charge for the good vsage of Ieremiah.* 15 *Gods promise to Ebedmeleth.*

In the* ninth yeere of Zedekiah King of Iudah, in the tenth moneth came Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon, and all his army against Ierusalem, and they besieged it.

* 2 Kin. 25.1. chap. 52.4

2 *And* in the eleuenth yeere of Zedekiah, in the fourth moneth, the ninth day of the moneth, the city was broken vp.

3 And all the Princes of the King of Babylon came in, and sate in the middle gate, *euen* Nergal-Sharezer, Samgar-Nebo Sarsechim, Rabsaris, Nergal sharezer, Rabmag, with all the residue of the Princes of the King of Babylon.

4 ¶ And it came to passe, *that* when Zedekiah the King of Iudah saw them, & all the men of war, then they fled & went forth out of ỹ city by night, by the way of the kings garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls, & hee went out the way of the plaine.

5 But the Caldeans army pursued after them, and ouertook Zedekiah in ỹ plaines of Iericho, & when they had taken him, they brought him vp to Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon, to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he † gaue iudgement vpon him.

6 Then the King of Babylon slew the sonnes of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the King of Babylon slew all the nobles of Iudah.

7 Moreouer, hee put out Zedekiahs eyes, and bound him †with chaines to carry him to Babylon.

† Hebr. spake with him iudgement.

† Hebr. with two brazen chaines, or fetters.

8 ¶ And the Caldeans burnt the Kings house, and the houses of the people with fire, and brake downe the walls of Ierusalem.

9 Then Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard, carried away captiue into Babylon the remnant of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.

10 But Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard, left of the poore of the people, which had nothing in the land of Iudah, and gaue them vineyards and fields at the same time.

Or, whose Maister. chiefe of the executioners, or slaughtermen.

11 ¶ Now Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon, gaue charge concerning Ieremiah † to Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard, saying,

12 Take him, and looke † well to him, and doe him no harme, but doe vnto him euen as hee shall say vnto them.

And so v. 10. 11. &c. † Hebr. lay his eyes vpon him.

13 So Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard sent, and Nebushasban, Rabsaris, and Nergal-Sharezer, Rabmag, and all the King of Babylons Princes;

14 Euen they sent and tooke Ieremiah out of the court of the prison, & committed him to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ỹ he should carry him home: so he dwelt among the people.

† Hebr. in that day. † Hebr. by the hand of † Hebr. set mine eyes vpon them.

15 ¶ Now the word of the LORD came vnto Ieremiah, while he was shut vp in the court of the prison, saying,

16 Goe and speake to Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring my words vpon this city for euill, and not for good, & they shall be *accomplished* in that day before thee.

17 But I will deliuer thee in that day, saith the LORD, and thou shalt not bee giuen into the hand of the men, of whom thou *art* afraid.

18 For I will surely deliuer thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall bee for a prey vnto thee, because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XL.

1 *Ieremiah being set free by Nebuzaradan, goeth to Gedaliah.* 7 *The dispersed Iewes repaire vnto him.* 13 *Iohanan reuealing Ismaels conspiracie, is not beleeued.*

The word ỹ came to Ieremiah from the LORD, after that Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard had let him goe from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in fetters, among all the which were carried away captiue of Ierusalem & Iudah, were carried away captiue vnto Babylon.

2 And the captaine of the guard tooke Ieremiah, and said vnto him, The LORD thy God hath pronounced this euill vpon this place.

3 Now the LORD hath brought, and done according as he hath said: because ye haue sinned against the LORD, and haue not obeyed his voyce, therefore this thing is come vpon you.

4 And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chaines ỹ *were* vpon thine hand: if it seeme good vnto thee to come with me into Babylon, come, & ỹ I will looke well vnto thee: but if it seeme ill vnto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbeare: behold, all the land *is* before thee: whither it seemeth good and conuenient for thee to go, thither goe.

5 Now while he was not yet gone backe, *he said*, Goe backe also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, whom the King of Babylon hath made gouernour ouer all the cities of Iudah, and dwell with him among the people: or goe whersoeuer it seemeth conuenient vnto thee to go. So the captaine of the guard gaue him victuall, and a reward, and let him goe.

6 Then went Ieremiah vnto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, to Mizpah, and dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land.

7 ¶ Now when all the captaines of the forces which *were* in the fields, *euen* they and their men, heard that ỹ King of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam gouernour in the land, and had committed vnto him men, and women, and children, and of the poore of the land, of them which were not carried away captiue to Babylon,

8 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, *euen* Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, and Iohanan, and Ionathan the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the sonne of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite, and Iezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

9 And Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the sonne of Shaphan, sware vnto them and to their men, saying, Feare not to serue the Caldeans: dwell in the land, and serue the King of Babylon, and it shall be well with you.

10 As for me, behold, I will dwell at Mizpah to serue the Caldeans, which will come vnto vs: but ye gather ye wine, and summer fruits, and oyle, and put them in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that ye haue taken.

11 Likewise when all the Iewes that were in Moab, & among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that *were* in all the countries, had heard that the King of Babylon had left a remnant in Iudah, and that he had set ouer them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan;

12 Euen all the Iewes returned out of all places whither they were driuen, and came to the land of Iudah, to Gedaliah vnto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much.

13 ¶ Moreouer Iohanan the son of Kareah, and all the captaines of the forces that *were* in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah

14 A

14 And said vnto him, Doest thou certainly know that Baalis the King of the Ammonites hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah † to slay thee? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam beleeued them not.

15 Then Iohanan the son of Kareah, spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let mee goe, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it. Wherefore should hee slay thee, that all the Iewes which are gathered vnto thee, should be scattered, and the remnant in Iudah perish?

16 But Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam said vnto Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, Thou shalt not doe this thing, for thou speakest falsly of Ishmael.

CHAP. XLI.

1 Ishmael treacherously killing Gedaliah and others, purposeth with the residue to flee vnto the Ammonites. 11 Iohanan recouereth the captiues, and minds to flee into Egypt.

NOw it came to passe in the seuenth moneth, *that* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the sonne of Elishamah, of the seed royall, and the Princes of the King, euen ten men with him, came vnto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah, and there they did eate bread together in Mizpah.

2 Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and smote Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the King of Babylon had made Gouernour ouer the land.

3 Ishmael also slew all the Iewes that were with him, *euen* with Gedaliah at Mizpah, and the Caldeans, that were found there, *and* the men of warre.

4 And it came to passe, the second day after hee had slaine Gedaliah, and no man knew *it*,

5 That there came certaine from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, *euen* fourescore men, hauing their beards shauen, and their clothes rent, and hauing cut themselues, with offerings and incense in their hand to bring *them* to the house of the LORD.

6 And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, † weeping all along as he went: & it came to passe as he met them, he said vnto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

7 And it was so, when they came into the midst of the city, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slue them, *and cast them* into the midst of the pit, hee and the men that were with him.

8 But ten men were found among them, that said vnto Ishmael, Slay vs not, for wee haue treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oyle, and of honey: so hee forbare, and slew them not among their brethren.

9 Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, (whom he had slaine † because of Gedaliah) *was it*, which Asa the King had made for feare of Baasha King of Israel, *and* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled *it* with them that were slaine.

10 Then Ishmael carried away captiue all the residue of the people, that *were* in Mizpah, *euen* the Kings daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard, had committed to Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, and Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah carried them away captiue, and departed to goe ouer to the Ammonites.

11 ¶ But when Iohanan the sonne of Kareah and all the captaines of the forces that *were* with him, heard of all the euill that Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah had done,

12 Then they tooke all the men, and went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and found him by the great waters that *are* in Gibeon.

13 Now it came to passe, *that* when all the people which *were* with Ishmael, saw Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the forces, that *were* with him, then they were glad.

14 So all the people, that Ishmael had carried away captiue from Mizpah, cast about and returned, and went vnto Iohanan the sonne of Kareah.

15 But Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah escaped from Iohanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites.

16 Then tooke Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the forces that *were* with him, all the remnant of the people whom he had recouered from Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, from Mizpah (after *that* he had slaine Gedaliah the son of Ahikam) *euen* mighty men of warre, and the women, and the children, and the Eunuches whom hee had brought againe from Gibeon

17 And they departed and dwelt in the habitation of Chimham, which *is* by Bethlehem to goe to enter into Egypt,

18 Because of the Caldeans: for they were afraid of them, because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slaine Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made gouernour in the land.

CHAP. XLII.

1 Iohanan desireth Ieremiah to enquire of God, promising obedience to his will. 7 Ieremiah assureth him of safety in Iudah, 13 and destruction in Egypt. 19 He reproueth their hypocrisie in requiring of the Lord that which they meant not.

THen all the captaines of the forces, and Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and Iezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least euen vnto the greatest, came neere,

2 And said vnto Ieremiah the Prophet, † Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for vs vnto the LORD thy God, *euen* for all this remnant (for we are left *but* a few of many, as thine eyes doe behold vs.) *Or, let our supplication fall before thee.*

3 That the LORD thy God may shew vs the way wherein we may walke, & the thing *y*e may doe.

4 Then Ieremiah the Prophet said vnto them, I haue heard *you*, behold, I will pray vnto the LORD your God, according to your words, and it shall come to passe, *that* what soeuer thing the LORD shall answer you, I will declare *it* vnto you: I will keepe nothing backe from you.

5 Then they said to Ieremiah, The LORD bee a true and faithfull witnesse betweene vs, if *we* doe not euen according to all things for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to vs.

6 Whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* euill, wee will obey the voyce of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee, that it may be well with vs, when we obey the voyce of the LORD our God.

7 ¶ And it came to passe after ten dayes, that the word of the LORD came vnto Ieremiah.

8 Then called he Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the forces, which *were* with him, and all the people from the least, euen to the greatest,

9 And said vnto them, Thus saith LORD, the God of Israel, vnto whom ye sent mee to present your supplication before him:

10 If ye will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull you downe, and I will plant you, and not plucke you vp: for I repent me of the euill that I haue done vnto you.

11 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom yee are afraide, bee not afraide of him, saith the LORD: for I am with you to saue you, and to deliuer you from his hand.

12 And I will shew mercies vnto you, that he may haue mercy vpon you, and cause you to returne to your owne land.

13 ¶ But if ye say, Wee will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of ℣ LORD your God,

14 Saying, No, but we will goe into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no warre, nor heare the sound of the trumpet, nor haue hunger of bread, and there will we dwell.

15 (And now therefore heare the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Iudah, Thus saith the LORD of hostes ℣ God of Israel: if ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, & goe to sojourne there:)

16 Then it shall come to passe, that the sword which yee feared shall ouertake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine whereof yee were afraid, † shall follow close after you in Egypt, and there ye shall die.

17 † So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourne there, they shall die by the sword by the famine, and by the pestilence, and none of them shall remaine or escape from the euill that I will bring vpon them.

18 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, As mine anger and my fury hath beene powred foorth vpon the inhabitants of Ierusalem: so shall my fury be powred foorth vpon you, when yee shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach, and ye shall see this place no more.

19 ¶ The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Iudah, Goe yee not into Egypt: know certainely that I haue † admonished you this day.

20 For yee † dissembled in your hearts when yee sent me vnto the LORD your God, saying, Pray for vs vnto the LORD our God, and according vnto all that the LORD our God shall say, so declare vnto vs, and we will doe it.

21 And now I haue this day declared it to you, but yee haue not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God, nor any thing for the which he hath sent me vnto you.

22 Now therefore know certainely, that ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire to goe and to sojourne.

† Hebr. shall cleaue after you.

† Hebr. so shall all the men be.

† Hebr. seduced against you.

Or you haue vsed deceit against your soules.

CHAP. XLIII.

1 Iohanan disswadeth Ieremiah prophecie, carieth Ieremiah and others into Egypt. 8 Ieremiah prophecyeth by a type the conquest of Egypt, by the Babylonians.

AND it came to passe, *that* when Ieremiah had made an end of speaking vnto all the people, all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him vnto them, *euen* all these words:

2 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Iohanan the son of Kareah, and all the proude men, saying vnto Ieremiah, Thou speakest falsly: the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Goe not into Egypt to sojourne there.

3 But Baruch the son of Neriah setteth thee on against vs, for to deliuer vs into the hand of the Caldeans, that they might put vs to death, and carry vs away captiues into Babylon.

4 So Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the forces, and all the people obeyed not the voyce of the LORD, to dwell in the land of Iudah.

5 But Iohanan the son of Kareah, and all the captaines of the forces, tooke all the remnant of Iudah, that were returned from all nations, whither they had bin driuen to dwell in the land of Iudah;

6 *Euen* men, and women, and children, and the Kings daughters, and euery person that Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, and Ieremiah the Prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah.

7 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voyce of the LORD: thus came they euen to Tahpanhes.

8 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD vnto Ieremiah in Tahpanhes, saying,

9 Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the clay, in the brick kill, which is at the entry of Pharaohs house in Tahpanhes, in the sight of the men of Iudah:

10 And say vnto them, Thus saith the LORD of hostes the God of Israel, Behold, I will send and take Nebuchad-rezzar the King of Babylon my seruant, and will set his throne vpon these stones that I haue hid, and he shall spread his royall pauilion ouer them.

11 And when he commeth he shall smite the land of Egypt, *and deliuer* such *as are* to death, to death, and such *as are* for captiuitie, to captiuitie, and such *as are* for the sword, to the sword.

12 And I will kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of Egypt, and he shall burne them, and carry them away captiues: & he shall array himself with the land of Egypt as a shepherd putteth on his garment, and he shall go forth from thence in peace.

13 He shall breake also the † images of Beth-shemesh, that *is* in the land of Egypt, and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burne with fire.

CHAP. XLIIII.

1 Ieremiah expostulateth the violation of Iudah for their idolatry. 11 He propoundeth their punishment, who commit idolatry in Egypt. 15 the obstinacy of the Iewes. 22 Ieremiah denounceth them for the same. 29 and for a signe of it, sheweth the destruction of Egypt.

THE word that came to Ieremiah concerning all the Iewes which dwelt in the land of Egypt, which dwell at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the country of Pathros, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Ye haue seene all the euill that I haue brought vpon Ierusalem, and vpon all the cities of Iudah; and behold, this day they are a desolation, and no man dwelleth therein,

3 Because of their wickedness which they haue committed to prouoke me to anger, in that they went to burne incense, *and* to serue other gods, whom they knew not, *neither* they, you, nor your fathers.

4 Howbeit I sent vnto you all my seruants the Prophets, rising early, and sending *them*, saying, Oh doe not this abominable thing that I hate.

5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their eare to turne from their wickednesse, to burne incense vnto other gods.

6 Wherefore my fury and mine anger was powred foorth, and was kindled in the cities of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem, and they are wasted and desolate, as at this day.

7 Therefore now, thus saith the LORD God of hostes, the God of Israel, Wherefore commit ye *this* great euill against your soules, to cut off from you man and woman, child and suckling, out of Iudah, to leaue you none to remaine,

8 In the † worke prouoke mee vnto wrath with the

† Hebr. houses.

workes of your hands, burning incense vnto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that ye might cut your selues off, and that ye might be a curse and a reproach, among all the nations of the earth?

9 Haue ye forgotten the † wickednesse of your fathers, and the wickednesse of the kings of Iudah, and the wickednesse of their wiues, and your owne wickednesse, and the wickednesse of your wiues, which they haue committed in the land of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem?

10 They are not † humbled euen vnto this day, neither haue they feared, nor walked in my Law, nor in my Statutes which I set before you, and before your fathers.

11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, Behold, * I will set my face against you for euill, and to cut off all Iudah.

12 And I will take the remnant of Iudah which haue set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourne there, and they shall all be consumed and fall in the land of Egypt: they shall euen be consumed by the sword, & by the famine: they shall die, from the least euen vnto the greatest, by the sword, and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse and a reproach.

13 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I haue punished Ierusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.

14 So that none of the remnant of Iudah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourne there, shall escape or remaine, that they should returne into the land of Iudah, to the which they † haue a desire to returne to dwell there: for none shall returne, but such as shall escape.

15 ¶ Then all the men which knew that their wiues had burnt incense vnto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, euen all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt in Pathros, answered Ieremiah, saying,

16 As for the word that thou hast spoken vnto vs in the Name of the LORD, we will not hearken vnto thee.

17 But we will certainely doe whatsoeuer thing goeth out of our owne mouth, to burne incense vnto the † Queene of heauen, and to powre out drinke offerings vnto her as we haue done, we our fathers, our Kings and our Princes in the cities of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem: for then had we plenty of † victuals, and were well, and saw no euill.

18 But since we left off to burne incense vnto the Queene of heauen, and to powre out drinke offerings vnto her, we haue wanted all things, and haue been consumed by the sword, and by the famine.

19 And * when we burnt incense to the Queene of heauen, & powred out drink offerings vnto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and powre out drink offerings vnto her without our † men?

20 Then Ieremiah said vnto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the People, which had giuen him that answere, saying,

21 The incense that ye burnt in the cities of Iudah, and in the streets of Ierusalem, ye and your fathers, your Kings and your Princes, and the people of the land, did not the LORD remember them, and came it not into his mind?

22 So that the LORD could no longer beare for the euill of your doings, and for the abominations which ye haue committed: therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse without an inhabitant, as at this day.

23 Because ye haue burnt incense, and because yee haue sinned against the LORD, and haue not obeyed the voyce of the LORD, nor walked in his Law, nor in his Statutes, nor in his Testimonies: therefore this euill is happened vnto you, as at this day.

24 Moreouer, Ieremiah said vnto all the people, and to all the women, Heare the word of the LORD all Iudah, that are in the land of Egypt.

25 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, the God of Israel, saying, Yee and your wiues haue both spoken with your mouthes, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, Wee will surely performe our vowes that we haue vowed, to burne incense to the Queene of heauen, and to powre out drink offerings vnto her: ye will surely accomplish your vowes, and surely performe your vowes.

26 Therefore heare ye the word of the LORD all Iudah that dwell in the land of Egypt, behold, I haue sworne by my great Name, saith the LORD, that my Name shall no more bee named in the mouth of any man of Iudah, in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD liueth.

27 Behold, I will watch ouer them for euill, and not for good, and all the men of Iudah, that are in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword, and by the famine, vntill there be an end of them.

28 Yet a small number that escape the sword, shall returne out of the land of Egypt, into the land of Iudah: and all the remnant of Iudah that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourne there, shall know whose words shall stand, † mine or theirs.

† Hebr. from me or from them.

29 ¶ And this *shall be* a signe vnto you, saith the LORD, that I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall surely stand against you for euill.

30 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will giue Pharaoh Hophra King of Egypt, into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seeke his life, as I gaue Zedekiah King of Iudah into the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon his enemie, and that sought his life.

CHAP. XLV.

1 Baruch being dismayed, 4 Ieremiah instructeth and comforteth him.

THe word that Ieremiah the Prophet spake vnto Baruch the sonne of Neriah, when he had written these words in a booke at the mouth of Ieremiah in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the son of Iosiah, King of Iudah, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD the God of Israel vnto thee, O Baruch;

3 Thou didest say, Woe is me Now, for the LORD hath added griefe to my sorrow, I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

4 ¶ Thus shalt thou say vnto him, The LORD saith thus, Behold, that which I haue built, will I breake downe, and that which I haue planted I will plucke vp, euen this whole land.

5 And seekest thou great things for thy selfe? seeke *them* not: for behold, I will bring euill vpon all flesh, saith the LORD, but thy life will I giue vnto thee * for a prey in all places whither thou goest.

* Chap. 39. 18.

CHAP. XLVI.

1 Ieremiah prophesieth the ouerthrow of Pharaoh with at Euphrates: 13 and the conquest of Egypt by Nebuchadrezzar. 27 He comforteth Iacob in their captiuities.

THe word of the LORD which came to Ieremiah the Prophet, against the Gentiles.

2 Against

3 Against Egypt, against the army of Pharaoh Necho King of Egypt, which was by the riuer Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon smote in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah.

3 Order yee the buckler and shield, and draw neere to battell.

4 Harnesse the horses, and get vp, yee horsemen, and stand foorth with your helmets, fourbish the speares, and put on the brigandines.

5 Wherefore haue I seene them dismayed, and turned away backe? and their mightie ones are †beaten downe, and are fled apace, and looke not backe: for feare was round about, saith the LORD.

† Hebr. broken in pieces.

6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mightie man escape: they shall stumble and fall toward the North, by the riuer Euphrates.

† Hebr. fled a flight.

7 Who is this that commeth vp as a flood, whose waters are moued as the riuers?

8 Egypt ariseth vp like a flood, and his waters are moued like the riuers, and he saith, I will goe vp, and will couer the earth; I will destroy the city, and the inhabitants thereof.

9 Come vp ye horses, and rage ye charets, and let the mighty men come foorth, the †Ethiopians, and the †Libyans that handle the shield, and the Lydians that handle and bend the bow.

† Heb. Cush. † Hebr. Put.

10 For this is the day of the Lord GOD of hostes, a day of vengeance, that he may auenge him of his aduersaries: and the sword shall deuoure, and it shall be satiate and made drunke with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hostes hath a sacrifice in the North countrey by the riuer Euphrates.

11 Goe vp into Gilead & take balme, O virgine, the daughter of Egypt: in vaine shalt thou vse many medicines: for thou shalt † not be cured.

† Heb. no cure shal be vnto thee.

12 The nations haue heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty man hath stumbled against the mightie, and they are fallen both together.

13 ¶ The word that the LORD spake to Ieremiah the Prophet, how Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon should come and smite the land of Egypt.

14 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph, and in Tahpanhes: say yee, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall deuoure round about thee.

15 Why are thy valiant men swept away? they stood not, because the LORD did driue them.

16 † Hee made many to fall, yea, one fell vpon another, and they said, Arise, and let vs goe againe to our owne people, and to the land of our natiuitie from the oppressing sword.

† Hebr. multiplied the faller.

17 They did cry there, Pharaoh King of Egypt is but a noise, he hath passed the time appointed.

18 As I liue, saith the King, whose Name is the LORD of hostes, Surely as Tabor is among mountaines, and as Carmel by the Sea, so shall he come.

19 O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, † furnish thy selfe to goe into captiuity: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.

† Hebr. make thee instrumēts of captiuitie.

20 Egypt is like a very faire heifer, but destruction commeth, it commeth out of the North.

21 Also her hired men are in the middest of her, like † fatted bullockes; for they also are turned backe, and are fled away together: they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come vpon them, and the time of their visitation.

† Hebr. bullockes of the stall.

22 The voyce thereof shall goe like a serpent, for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood.

23 They shall cut downe her forrest, saith the LORD, though it cannot be searched, because they are more then the grashoppers, & are innumerable.

24 The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded, she shalbe deliuered into the hand of the people of the North.

25 The LORD of hostes the God of Israel saith, Behold, I will punish the † multitude of No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods and their Kings, euen Pharaoh, and all them that trust in him.

† Hebr. the multitude of No.

26 And I will deliuer them into the hand of those that seeke their liues, and into the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon, and into the hand of his seruants, and afterwards shall it be inhabited as in the dayes of old, saith the LORD.

27 ¶ But feare not thou, O Iacob my seruant, neither be not dismayed, O Israel: for behold, I will saue thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captiuity, and Iacob shall returne, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make him afraid.

28 Feare thou not, O Iacob my seruant, saith the LORD, for I am with thee: for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I haue driuen thee, but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure, & will not leaue thee altogether vnpunished.

CHAP. XLVII.

The destruction of the Philistims.

THe word of the LORD that came to Ieremiah the Prophet against the Philistims, before that Pharaoh smote Gaza.

2 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, waters rise vp out of the North, and shall be an ouerflowing flood, and shall ouerflow the land and all that is therein, the city, and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howle.

3 At the noise of the stamping of the hoofes of his strong horses, at the rushing of his charets, and at the tumbling of his wheeles, the fathers shall not look back to their children for feeblenesse of hands,

4 Because of the day that commeth to spoile all the Philistims, and to cut off from Tyrus and Zidon euery helper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoile the Philistims, the remnant of the † countrey of Caphtor.

† Hebr. Iland.

5 Baldnesse is come vpon Gaza, Ashkelon is cut off with the remnant of their valley: how long wilt thou cut thy selfe?

6 O thou sword of the LORD, how long will it be ere thou be quiet? put vp thy selfe into thy scabbard, rest and be still.

7 † How can it be quiet, seeing the LORD hath giuen it a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea shore? there hath he appointed it.

† Hebr. How shall it be quiet?

CHAP. XLVIII.

The iudgement of Moab, for their pride, for their securitie, 14 for their confidence in their idols and their captiuitie, 26 and for their contempt of God and his people, 47 The restauration of Moab.

AGainst Moab, thus saith the LORD of hostes the God of Israel, Woe vnto Nebo, for it is spoiled, Kiriathaim is confounded and taken, Misgab is confounded and dismayed.

2 There shall be no more praise of Moab: in Heshbon they haue deuised euill against it, come and let vs cut it off from being a nation: also thou shalt be cut downe, O Madmen, the sword shall pursue thee.

3 A voyce of crying shall be from Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.

4 Moab is destroyed, her little ones haue caused a cry to be heard.

5 For in the going vp of Luhith † continuall weeping shall goe vp: for in the going down of

† Hebr. a continuall weeping.

ernation, the enemies haue heard a cry of deſtru-

ion.
Flee, ſaue your liues, and be like the † heath i
the wilderneſſe.
For becauſe thou haſt truſted in thy workes,
nd in thy treaſures, thou ſhalt alſo be taken, and
emoſh ſhall goe forth into captiuity with his
rieſts and his Princes together.
And the ſpoiler ſhall come vpon euery citie,
nd no citie ſhall eſcape: the valley alſo ſhall pe-
ſh, and the plaine ſhall be deſtroyed, as the LORD
ath ſpoken.
Giue wings vnto Moab, that it may flee and
ee away: for the cities thereof ſhall be deſolate
ithout any to dwell therein.
Curſed *bee he* that doeth the worke of the
ORD deceitfully, and curſed *be he* that keepeth
ack his ſword from blood.
Moab hath been at eaſe from his youth, and
e hath ſetled on his lees, and he hath not beene em-
ied from veſſell to veſſell, neither hath he gone in-
captiuity: therefore his taſte † remained in him,
nd his ſent is not changed.
Therefore behold, the dayes come, ſaith the
ORD, that I will ſend vnto him wanderers, that
ſhall cauſe him to wander, and ſhall empty his veſ-
ls, and breake their bottels.
And Moab ſhall be aſhamed of Chemoſh, as
e houſe of Iſrael was aſhamed of Bethel their
onfidence.
How ſay ye, *We are* mighty and ſtrong
en for the warre?
Moab is ſpoiled and gone vp *out of* her cities:
nd his choſen yong men are gone downe to the
laughter, ſaith the King, whoſe Name is the LORD
f hoſts.
The calamity of Moab is neere to come, and
s affliction haſteth faſt.
All yee that are about him, bemoane him, and
ll yee that know his Name, ſay, How is the ſtrong
od broken, *and* the beautifull rod!
Thou daughter that doeſt inhabite Dibon,
me downe from *thy* glory, and ſit in thirſt: for
e ſpoiler of Moab ſhall come vpon thee, *and* he
ath deſtroy thy ſtrongholds.
O inhabitant of Aroer, ſtand by the way
nd eſpy, aske him that fleeth, and her that eſcapeth,
nd ſay, What is done?
Moab is confounded, for it is broken down:
owle and crye; tell yee it in Arnon, that Moab is
ſpoiled,
And iudgement is come vpon the plaine
ountry vpon Holon, and vpon Iahazah, and vpon
ephathah,
And vpon Dibon, and vpon Nebo, and vpon
eth-diblathaim,
And vpon Kiriathaim, and vpon Beth-gamul,
nd vpon Beth-meon,
And vpon Kerioth, and vpon Bozrah, and vpon
l the cities of the land of Moab farre or neere.
The horne of Moab is cut off, and his arme is
oken, ſaith the LORD.
Make ye him drunken: for he magnified
mſelfe againſt the LORD: Moab alſo ſhall wallow
his vomit, and he alſo ſhall be in deriſion.
For was not Iſrael a deriſion vnto thee? was
he found among theeues? for ſince thou ſpakeſt of
him thou ſkippedſt for ioy.
O ye that dwell in Moab, leaue the cities, and
well in the rocke, and be like the doue *that* maketh
her neſt in the ſides of the holes mouth.
We haue heard the * pride of Moab (he is exceeding proud) his loftineſſe, and his arrogancie, and his pride, and the haughtineſſe of his heart.
I know his wrath, ſaith the LORD, but *it ſhall not be ſo*: his lies ſhall not ſo effect *it*. † *Or, thoſe*
Therefore will I howle for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab, *mine heart* ſhall mourne for the men of Kir-heres. *on whom*
O vine of Sibmah, I will weepe for thee, with the weeping of Iazar: thy plants are gone ouer the Sea, they reach euen to the Sea of Iazar, the ſpoiler is fallen vpon thy ſummer fruits, and vpon thy vintage. *he mayeth lay.* (*Heb. him that ſhouteth not right.*
And * ioy and gladneſſe is taken from the plentifull field, and from the land of Moab, and I haue cauſed wine to faile from the wine-preſſes: none ſhall tread with ſhouting, *their* ſhouting *ſhall be no* ſhouting. * Iſa. 24. 10.
From the cry of Heſhbon, euen vnto Elealeh, *and* euen vnto Iahaz haue they vttered their voice, from Zoar euen vnto Horonaim, as an heifer of three yeres old: for the waters alſo of Nimrim ſhall be † deſolate. * Iſa. 15. 5. † *Hebr.* *deſolaſia-*
Moreouer, I will cauſe to ceaſe in Moab, ſaith the LORD, him that offereth in the high places, & him that burneth incenſe to his gods. *ons,*
Therefore mine heart ſhall ſound for Moab like pipes, and mine heart ſhall ſound like pipes for the men of Kir-heres: becauſe the riches that he hath gotten, are periſhed.
For euery head ſhall be bald and euery beard † cliped: vpon all the hands *ſhall be* cuttings, and vpon the loynes ſackcloth. * Iſa. 15. 2, 3. † *Hebr. diminiſhed.*
There ſhall be lamentation generally vpon all the houſe tops of Moab, and in the ſtreets thereof: for I haue broken Moab like a veſſell, wherein is no pleaſure, ſaith the LORD.
They ſhall howle, *ſaying*, How is it broken downe? How hath Moab turned the † backe with ſhame? ſo ſhall Moab be a deriſion, and a diſmaying to all them about him. † *Hebr. neck.*
For thus ſaith the LORD, Behold, he ſhall flee as an Eagle, and ſhall ſpread his wings ouer Moab.
Kerioth is taken, & the ſtrong holds are ſurpriſed, & the mighty mens hearts in Moab, at that day, ſhall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs. † *Or, the cities.*
And Moab ſhall bee deſtroyed *from being a* people, becauſe he hath magnified *himſelfe* againſt the LORD.
Feare, and the pit, and the ſnare *ſhall be* vpon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, ſaith the LORD. * Iſa. 24. 17, 18.
He that fleeth from the feare, ſhall fall into the pit, & he that getteth vp out of the pit, ſhal be taken in the ſnare: for I will bring vpon it, *euen* vpon Moab, the yeere of their viſitation, ſaith the LORD.
They that fled, ſtood vnder the ſhaddow of Heſhbon, becauſe of the force: but * a fire ſhall come forth out of Heſhbon, and a flame from the middeſt of Sihon, and ſhall deuoure the corner of Moab, and the crowne of the head of the † tumultuous ones. * Numb. 21. 28. † *Hebr. children of noiſe.*
Woe be vnto thee, O Moab, the people of Chemoſh periſheth: for thy ſonnes are taken † captiues, and thy daughters † priſoners. † *Hebr. in captiuity.*
Yet will I bring againe the captiuity of Moab, in the latter dayes, ſaith the LORD. Thus far *is* the iudgement of Moab.

CHAP. XLIX.

1 The iudgement of the Ammonites. 2 Their reſtauration. 7 The iudgement of Edom. 23 Of Damaſcus. 28 Of Kedar. 30 Of Hazor. 34 And of Elam. 39 Their reſtauration of Elam.

Con-

‖ Or, against. ‖ Or, Melcom.

1 Concerning the Ammonites, thus saith the LORD, Hath Israel no sonnes? hath hee no heire? Why then doth ‖ their king inherite * Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?

* Amos 1.13.

2 Therefore behold, the dayes come, saith the LORD, that I will cause an alarme of warre to bee heard in * Rabbah of the Ammonites, and it shall be a desolate heape, and her daughters shall bee burnt with fire: then shall Israel be heire vnto them that were his heires, saith the LORD.

* Amos 1.14.

3 Howle, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoyled: cry ye daughters of Rabbah: gird yee with sackcloth: lament, and run to and fro by the hedges, for ‖ their King shall goe into captivity, and his * Priests and his Princes together.

‖ Or, Melcom.

* Chap. 48.7.

4 Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, ‖ thy flowing valley, O backsliding daughter, that trusted in her treasures, saying, Who shall come vnto mee?

‖ Or, thy valley flowes ô away.

5 Behold, I will bring a feare vpon thee, saith the Lord GOD of hostes, from all those that be about thee, and yee shall bee driuen out euery man right forth, and none shall gather vp him that wandreth.

6 And afterward I will bring againe the captiuitie of the children of Ammon, saith the LORD.

7 ¶ Concerning Edom, thus saith the LORD of hosts, * Is wisedome no more in Teman? is counsell perished from the prudent? is their wisedome vanished?

* Obad. verse 8.

8 Flee ye, ‖ turne backe, dwell deepe, O inhabitants of Dadan: for I will bring the calamity of Esau vpon him, the time that I will visite him.

‖ Or, they are turned backe

* Obad. verse 5. † Hebr. their sufficiency.

9 If * grape gatherers come to thee, would they not leaue some gleaning grapes? if theeues by night, they will destroy † till they haue enough.

10 But I haue made Esau bare, I haue vncouered his secret places, and he shall not bee able to hide himselfe: his seed is spoyled, and his brethren and his neighbours, and he is not.

11 Leaue thy fatherlesse children, I will preserue them aliue, and let thy widdowes trust in me.

12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, they whose iudgement was not to drinke of the cup, haue assuredly drunken, and art thou hee that shall altogether goe vnpunished? thou shalt not goe vnpunished, but thou shalt surely drinke of it.

13 For I haue sworne by my selfe, saith the LORD, that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse, and all the cities thereof shall be perpetuall wastes.

* Obad. verse 1.

14 I haue heard a * rumour from the LORD, and an embassadour is sent vnto the heathen, saying, Gather ye together, and come against her: and rise vp to the battell.

15 For loe, I will make thee small among the heathen, and despised among men.

16 Thy terriblenesse hath deceiued thee, and the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rocke, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy * nest as high as the Eagle, I will bring thee downe from thence, saith the LORD.

* Obad. verse 4.

* Chap. 50.13.

17 Also Edom shall be a desolation: * euery one that goeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hisse at all the plagues thereof.

* Gen. 19 25. chap. 50.40.

18 * As in the ouerthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah, and the neighbour cities thereof, saith the LORD: no man shall abide there, neither shall a sonne of man dwell in it.

19 Behold he shall come vp like a lyon from the swelling of Iordane, against the habitation of the strong: But I will suddenly make him runne away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I may appoint ouer her? for who is like me? and who ‖ * appoint me the time? who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

‖ Or, appoint me the time?

20 Therefore heare the counsell of the LORD that he hath taken against Edom, & his purposes that he hath purposed against ‖ the inhabitants of Teman: surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make their habitation desolate with them.

‖ Or, the inhabitants of Teman

21 The earth is moued at the noise of their fall, at the cry, the noyse thereof was heard in the ‖ red Sea.

‖ Or, Sea.

22 Behold he shall come vp and flee as the Eagle, and spread his wings ouer Bozrah: and at that day shall the heart of the mightie men of Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

23 ¶ Concerning Damascus, Hamath is confounded, and Arpad, for they haue heard euill tidings: they are ‖ faint-hearted, there is sorrow on the sea, it cannot be quiet.

‖ Or, as in the sea cannot be quiet.

24 Damascus is waxed feeble, and turneth herself to flee, and feare hath seized vpon her: anguish & sorrowes haue taken her as a woman in trauell.

25 How is the city of praise not left, the city of my ioy?

26 Therefore her young men shall fall in her streetes, and all the men of warre shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD of hostes.

27 And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of Benhadad.

28 ¶ Concerning Kedar, and concerning the kingdomes of Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar King of Babylon shall smite, thus saith the LORD: Arise, goe vp to Kedar, and spoile the men of the East.

29 Their tents and their flocks shall they take away, they shal take to themselues their curtaines, and all their vessels, and their camels, and they shall cry vnto them, Feare is on euery side.

30 ¶ Flee, get you farre off, dwell deepe O inhabitants of Hazor, saith the LORD: for Nebuchadrezzar King of Babylon hath taken counsell against you, and hath conceiued a purpose against you.

31 Arise, get you vp vnto the wealthy nation that dwelleth without care, saith the LORD, which haue neither gates nor barres, which dwell alone.

32 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattel a spoile: and I will scatter into all windes them that are in the vtmost corners, and I will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, saith the LORD.

33 And Hazor shall be a dwelling for dragons, and a desolation for euer: there shall no man abide there, nor any sonne of man dwell in it.

34 ¶ The word of the LORD that came to Ieremiah the Prophet, against Elam, in the beginning of the reigne of Zedekiah King of Iudah, saying,

35 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, Behold I will breake the bow of Elam, the chiefe of their might.

36 And vpon Elam will I bring the foure windes from the foure quarters of heauen, and will scatter them towards all those windes: and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of Elam shall not come.

37 For I will cause Elam to feare before their enemies, and before them that seeke their life: and I will bring euill vpon them, euen my fierce anger, saith the LORD, and I will send a sword after them, till I haue consumed them.

38 And I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the King and the princes, saith the LORD.

39 ¶ But it shall come to passe in the ‖ latter dayes, that I will bring backe the captiuitie of Elam, saith the LORD.

‖ Or, last

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CHAP. L.

v. 11, 35. The iudgement of Babylon. 4. 17. The redemption of Israel.

1 The word that the LORD spake against Baby lon, and against the land of the Caldeans by and the Prophet.

2 Declare ye among the nations, and publish, and ye a standard, publish, and conceale not: say, Bel is taken, Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken in pieces, her idols are confounded, her images are broken in pieces.

3 For out of the North there commeth vp a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart both man and beast.

4 In those dayes, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Iudah together, going & weeping: they shall go and seek the LORD their God.

5 They shall aske the way to Zion, with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let vs ioyne our selues to the LORD in a perpetuall Couenant, that shall not be forgotten.

6 My people hath beene lost sheepe: their shepherds haue caused them to go astray, they haue turned them away on the mountaines: they haue gone from mountaine to hill, they haue forgotten their resting place.

7 All that found them haue deuoured them, and their aduersaries said, We offend not, because they haue sinned against the LORD, the habitation of iustice, even the LORD, the hope of their Fathers.

8 Remoue out of the midst of Babylon, and goe out of the land of the Caldeans, and bee as the goats before the flocks.

9 For lo, I will raise and cause to come vp against Babylon an assembly of great nations from the north country, and they shall set themselues in aray against her: from thence she shall be taken: their arrowes shall be as of a mighty expert man that causeth not to returne in vaine.

10 And Caldea shall be a spoile: all that spoile her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.

11 Because ye were glad, because ye reioyced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because ye are growen fat as the heifer at grasse, and bellow as bulls;

12 Your mother shall be sore confounded, she that bare you shall be ashamed: behold the hindermost of the nations *shall be* a wilderneſſe, a dry land, and a desert.

13 Because of the wrath of the LORD it shall not be inhabited, but it shall be wholly desolate, euery one that goeth by Babylon, shall be astonished and hiſſe at all her plagues.

14 Put your selues in aray against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bowe, shoot at her, spare no arrowes: for shee hath sinned against the LORD.

15 Shout against her round about: shee hath giuen her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are throwen downe; for it *is* the vengeance of the LORD: take vengeance vpon her, as she hath done, do vnto her.

16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the sickle in the time of harueſt: for feare of the oppressing sword, they shall turne euery one to his people, and they shall flee euery one to his owne land.

17 Israel *is* a scattered sheepe, the lions haue driuen *him* away: first the king of Assyria hath deuoured him, and last this Nebuchad-rezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.

18 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hoſtes, the God of Israel, Behold, I will punish the King of Babylon, and his land, as I haue punished the King of Assyria.

19 And I will bring Israel againe to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soule shall bee satisfied vpon mount Ephraim, and Gilead.

20 In those dayes, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and *there shall be* none; and the sins of Iudah, and they shall not bee found: for I will pardon them, whom I reserue.

21 ¶ Goe vp against the land ‖ of Merathaim, *euen* against it, and against the inhabitants ‖ of Pekod: waste, and vtterly destroy after them, saith the LORD, and doe according to all that I haue commanded thee.

‖ Or, of the rebels ‖ Or, visit vpon.

22 A sound of battell *is* in the land, and of great destruction.

23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken? how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations?

24 I haue laid a snare for thee, and thou are also taken, O Babylon: and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striuen against the LORD.

25 The LORD hath opened his armory, and hath brought foorth the weapons of his indignation: for this *is* the worke of the Lord GOD of hoſtes, in the land of the Caldeans.

26 Come against her † from the vtmost border, open her store-houses: ‖ cast her vp as heapes, and destroy her vtterly: let nothing of her be left:

† Heb. from the end. ‖ Or, tread her.

27 Slay all her bullocks: let them goe downe to the slaughter: woe vnto them for their day is come, the time of their visitation.

28 The voyce of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his Temple.

29 Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, campe against it round about, let none thereof escape: recompense her according to her worke: according to all that shee hath done, doe vnto her: for shee hath beene proud against the LORD, against the holy One of Israel.

30 Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets, and all her men of war shall bee cut off in that day, saith the LORD.

31 Behold, I *am* against thee, O thou most † proud, saith the Lord GOD of hoſtes: for thy day is come, the time *that* I will visite thee.

† Heb. pride.

32 And the most † proud shall stumble, and fall, and none shall raise him vp: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall deuoure all round about him.

† Heb. pride.

33 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hoſts, the children of Israel, and the children of Iudah *were* oppressed together, and all that tooke them captiues, held them fast, they refused to let them goe.

34 Their Redeemer *is* strong, The LORD of hoſts *is* his Name, he shall throughly plead their cause, that he may giue rest to the land, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

35 ¶ A sword *is* vpon the Caldeans, saith the LORD, and vpon the inhabitants of Babylon, and vpon her Princes, and vpon her wise men.

36 A sword *is* vpon the ‖ lyars, and they shall dote, a sword *is* vpon her mighty men, and they shall be dismayed.

‖ Or, coniecturers. Heb. bad men.

37 A sword *is* vpon their horſes, and vpon their charets,

charets, and vpon all the mingled people, that are in the midst of her, and they shall become as women: a sword is vpon her treasures, and they shall be robbed.

38 A drought is vpon her waters, and they shall be dried vp: for it is the land of grauen images, and they are mad vpon their idoles.

39 Therefore the wilde beasts of the desart, with the wilde beasts of the Ilands shal dwell *there*, and the owles shall dwell therein: and it shall bee no more inhabited for euer: neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.

40 * As God ouerthrew Sodome and Gomorrah, and the neighbour cities thereof, saith the LORD: so shall no man abide there, neither shall any sonne of man dwell therein.

41 Behold, a people shall come from the North, and a great nation, and many Kings shall be raised vp from the coasts of the earth.

42 They shall hold the bow and the lance, they are cruell, and will not shew mercy: their voyce shall roare like the Sea, and they shall ride vpon horses, *every one* put in aray like a man to the battell against thee, O daughter of Babylon.

43 The King of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish tooke hold of him, *and* paines as of a woman in trauell.

44 Behold, hee shall come vp * like a lion from the swelling of Iordan, vnto the habitation of the strong, but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I may appoint ouer her? for who is like me, and * who will appoint me the time? and who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

45 Therefore heare ye the counsell of the LORD, that he hath taken against Babylon, and his purposes, that hee hath purposed against the land of the Caldeans: surely the least of the flocke shall draw them out: surely he shall make *their* habitation desolate with them.

46 At the noise of the taking of Babylon, the earth is moued, and the cry is heard among the nations.

CHAP. LI.

1 *The future iudgment of God against Babylon in vengeance of Israel.* 59 *Ieremiah deliuereth the booke of this prophecie to Shraiah to be cast into Euphrates in token of the perpetuall sinking of Babylon.*

THus saith the LORD. Behold, I will raise vp against Babylon, and against them that dwell in the † midst of them that rise vp against me, a destroying wind;

2 And will send vnto Babylon fanners that shall fanne her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.

3 Against *him that* bendeth, let the archer bend his bow, and against *him that* lifteth himselfe vp in his brigandine: and spare ye not her young men, destroy ye vtterly all her host.

4 Thus the slaine shall fall in the land of the Caldeans, and they that are thrust thorow in her streets.

5 For Israel hath not beene forsaken, nor Iudah of his God, of the LORD of hostes; though their land was filled with sinne against the holy One of Israel.

6 * Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliuer euery man his soule: bee not cut off in her iniquity: for this is the time of the LORDS vengeance: he will render vnto her a recompence.

7 Babylon *hath been* a golden cuppe in the LORDS hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations haue drunken of her wine, therefore the nations are mad.

8 Babylon is suddenly * fallen and destroyed: howle for her, take balme for her paine, if so thee may be healed.

9 We would haue healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let vs goe euery man into his owne countrey, for her iudgment reacheth vnto heauen, and is lifted vp euen to the skies.

10 The LORD hath brought forth our righteousnesse: come and let vs declare in Zion the worke of the LORD our God.

11 Make † bright the arrowes, gather the shields: the LORD hath raised vp the spirit of the Kings of the Medes: for his deuice is against Babylon, to destroy it; because it is the vengeance of the LORD, the vengeance of his Temple.

12 Set vp the standard vpon the walles of Babylon, make the watch strong, set vp the watchmen, prepare † the ambushes: for the LORD hath both deuised and done that which he spake against the inhabitants of Babylon.

13 O thou that dwellest vpon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy couetousnesse.

14 * The LORD of hostes hath sworne by himselfe, saying, Surely, I will fill thee with men, as with caterpillers; and they shall lift vp a shout against thee.

15 * He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdome, and hath stretched out the heauens by his discretion.

16 When he vttereth his voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heauens, and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with raine, and bringeth the wind out of his treasuries.

17 * Euery man is brutish by his knowledge: euery founder is confounded by the grauen image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them.

18 They are vanity, the worke of errours: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

19 The portion of Iacob is not like them: for he is the former of all things, and Israel is the rod of his inheritance: The LORD of hostes is his name.

20 Thou *art* my battell axe, *and* weapons of warre: for I will with thee will I breake in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdomes;

21 And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider, and with thee will I break in pieces the charet and his rider;

22 With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman, and with thee will I break in pieces old and young, and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;

23 I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flocke, and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen, and with thee will I break in pieces captaines and rulers.

24 I will render vnto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Caldea all their euill that they haue done in Zion in your sight, saith the LORD.

25 Behold, I am against thee, O destroying mountaine, saith the LORD, which destroyest all the earth, and I will stretch out mine hand vpon thee, and roule thee downe from the rockes, and will make thee a burnt mountaine.

26 And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations, but thou shalt be desolate for euer, saith the LORD.

27 Set ye vp a standard in the land, blow the

a Chap. 49.19.

b Iob. 41. 1. chap. 49. 19. & Or, conuent me to plead.

c Chap. 50. Iercu. 1884.

* Gen. 19. 25. chap. 49. 18.

† Hebr. heart.

ght among the nations: prepare the nations
inst her, call together against her the king-
ms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz: appoint
aptaine against her: cause her horses to come vp
the rough caterpillers.

Prepare against her the nations, with the
ings of the Medes, the captaines thereof, and all
e rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.

And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for
ery purpose of the LORD shall bee performed
inst Babylon, to make the land of Babylon a de-
lation without an inhabitant.

The mighty men of Babylon haue forborne
ight: they haue remained in their holds: their
ength hath failed, they became as women: they
e burnt their dwelling places: her barres are
oken.

One Poste shall run to meet another, and one
essenger to meet another, to shew the King of
abylon that his city is taken at one end,

And that the passages are stopped, and the
ods they haue burnt with fire, and the men of
r are affrighted.

For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of
rael, The daughter of Bab lon is like a threshing
or, it is time to thresh her: yet a little while,
d the time of her harueſt shall come.

Nebuchad-rezzar the King of Babylon hath
uoured me, he hath crushed me, hee hath made
e an empty vessell: hee hath swallowed mee vp
e a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my de-
ates, he hath cast me out.

The violence done to me, and to my flesh,
pon Babylon, shall the † inhabitant of Zion
y: and my blood vpon the inhabitants of Caldea,
all Ierusalem say.

Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will
ad thy cause, and take vengeance for thee, and
ill dry vp her Sea, and make her springs dry.

And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwelling
ace for dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing,
thout an inhabitant.

They shall roare together like lions, they
all yell as lions whelpes.

In their heat I will make their feasts, and I
ill make them drunk, that they may reioyce,
d sleepe a perpetuall sleepe, and not wake, saith
e LORD.

I will bring them downe like lambs to the
aughter, like rams with he-goats.

How is Sheshach taken? and how is the praise
the whole earth surprised? how is Babylon be-
me an astonishment among the nations?

The Sea is come vp vpon Babylon: she is cou-
ed with the multitude of the waues thereof.

Her cities are a desolation, a dry land, and a
ildernesse, a land wherein no man dwelleth, nei-
ther doth any sonne of man passe thereby.

And I will punish Bel in Babylon, and I will
ing forth out of his mouth that which hee hath
allowed vp: and the nations shall not flow toge-
er any more vnto him: yea, the wall of Babylon
all fall.

My people, goe ye out of the middest of her,
d deliuer ye euery man his soule from the fierce
ger of the LORD.

And lest your heart faint, and ye feare for the
mour that shall be heard in the land: a rumour
all both come one yeere, and after that in an-
her yeere shall come a rumour and violence in the
nd, ruler against ruler.

Therefore behold, the dayes come, that I will
† doe iudgement vpon the grauen images of Baby-
lon, and her whole land shall be confounded, and
all her slaine shall fall in the midst of her. † Hebr. visite vpon.

48 Then the heauen, and the earth, and all that
is therein, shall sing for Babylon: for the spoilers
shall come vnto her from the North, saith the
LORD.

49 As Babylon hath caused the slaine of Israel
to fall: so at Babylon shall fall the slaine of all
the earth. [Or, Babylon is to fall, O ye flame of Israel, and with Babylon, &c.

50 Yee that haue escaped the sword, goe away,
stand not still: remember the LORD afar off, and
let Ierusalem come into your mind.

51 We are confounded, because we haue heard re-
proch, shame hath couered our faces: for strangers
are come into the Sanctuaries of the LORDS house. [Or, the counsell

52 Wherefore behold, the dayes come saith the
LORD, that I will doe iudgement vpon her grauen
images, and through all her land the wounded shall
groane.

53 Though Babylon should mount vp to heauen,
and though shee should fortifie the height of her
strength, yet from me shall spoilers come vnto her,
saith the LORD.

54 A sound of a cry commeth from Babylon, and
great destruction from the land of the Caldeans.

55 Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and
destroyed out of her the great voyce, when her
waues doe roare like great waters, a noise of their
voyce is vttered.

56 Because the spoiler is come vpon her, euen
vpon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken, euery
one of their bowes is broken, for the LORD God of
recompences shall surely requite.

57 And I will make drunke her Princes, and her
wise men, her Captaines, and her Rulers, and her
mighty men: and they shall sleepe a perpetuall
sleepe, and not wake, saith the King, whose Name
is the LORD of hosts.

58 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, The broad
walls of Babylon shall be vtterly broken, and her
high gates shall be burnt with fire, and the people
shall labour in vaine, and the folke in the fire, and
they shall be weary. [Or, the walles of broad Babylon. [Or, made naked.

59 The word which Ieremiah the Prophet
commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the sonne of
Maaseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the King
of Iudah into Babylon, in the fourth yeere of his
reigne: and this Seraiah was a quiet Prince. [Or, on the behalfe of.

60 So Ieremiah wrote in a booke all the euill
that should come vpon Babylon, euen all these
words that are written against Babylon. [Or, prince of Menuha or chiefe chamberlaine.

61 And Ieremiah said to Seraiah, When thou
commest to Babylon, and shalt see, and shalt reade
all these words,

62 Then shalt thou say, O LORD, thou hast spo-
ken against this place, to cut it off, that none shall
remaine in it, neither man nor beast, but that it
shall be † desolate for euer. † Heb. desolations.

63 And it shall bee when thou hast made an end
of reading this booke, that thou shalt binde a stone
to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates.

64 And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sinke,
and shall not rise from the euill that I will bring
vpon her: and they shall be weary. Thus farre are
the words of Ieremiah.

CHAP. LII.

1 *Zedekiah rebelleth.* 4 *Ierusalem is besieged and taken.* 8 *Zedekiahs sons killed, and his owne eyes put out.* 12 *Nebuzaradan burneth and spoileth the city.* 24 *He carieth away the captiues.* 32 *Euilmerodach aduanceth Iehoiakim.*

Zedekiah

a 2. Kings 24. 18. † Hebr. reigned.

ZEdekiah *was* a one and twenty yeeres old, when he † began to reigne, and hee reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem, and his mothers name *was* Hamutal, the daughter of Ieremiah of Libnah.

2 And hee did that *which was* euill in the eyes of the LORD, according to all that Iehoiakim had done.

3 For through the anger of the LORD it came to passe in Ierusalem and Iudah, till hee had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the King of Babylon.

b 2. Kings 25. 1. Iehoi. 52. 4

4 ¶ And it came to passe in the b ninth yeere of his reigne, in the tenth moneth, in the tenth *day* of the moneth, *that* Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon came, hee, and all his army against Ierusalem, and pitched against it, and built Forts against it round about.

5 So the citie was besieged vnto the eleuenth yeere of King Zedekiah.

6 And in the fourth moneth, in the ninth *day* of the moneth, the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land.

7 Then the city was broken vp, and all the men of warre fled, and went foorth out of the city by night, by the way of the gate betweene the two walles, which *was* by the Kings garden, (now the Caldeans *were* by the city round about) and they went by the way of the plaine.

8 ¶ But the army of the Caldeans pursued after the King, and ouertooke Zedekiah in the plaines of Iericho, and all his army was scattered from him.

9 Then they tooke the King, and caried him vp vnto the King of Babylon to Riblah, in the land of Hamath: where he gaue iudgement vpon him.

10 And the King of Babylon slew the sonnes of Zedekiah before his eyes: hee slew also all the Princes of Iudah in Riblah.

† Hebr. blinded. ‖ Or, fetters. † Hebr. house of the wards.

11 Then he † put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and the King of Babylon bruud him in ‖ cheines, and carried him to Babylon, and put him in † prison till the day of his death.

12 ¶ Now in the fifth moneth, in the tenth *day* of the moneth (which *was* the nineteenth yeere of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon) came Nebuzaradan ‖ captaine of the guard, *which* † serued the King of Babylon, into Ierusalem;

‖ Or, chiefe Marshal. Hebr. chiefe of the executioners, or slaughtermen. And so v. 14. &c. † Hebr. stood before.

13 And burnt the house of the LORD, and the Kings house, and all the houses of Ierusalem, and all the houses of the great men burnt he with fire.

14 And all the army of the Caldeans, that *were* with the captaine of the guard, brake downe all the walles of Ierusalem round about.

15 Then Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard carried away captiue *certaine* of the poore of the people, & the residue of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the King of Babylon, & the rest of the multitude.

* Chap. 52. 19. ‖ Or, instruments to remoue the ashes. ‖ Or, sheeres.

16 But Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard, left *certaine* of the poore of the land for vine-dressers, and for husbandmen.

17 Also the * pillars of brasse that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen Sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, the Caldeans brake, and carried all the brasse of them to Babylon.

18 The caldrons also, and the ‖ shouels, and the snuffers, and the ‖ bowles, and the spoones, and all the vessels of brasse wherewith they ministred, tooke they away.

19 And the basons, and the bowles, and the caldrons, and the candlesticks, and the spoones, and the cups, that *was* in gold, and that with [illegible] tooke the captaine of the

20 The two pillars, one sea, bulles that *were* vnder the bases, which King Salomon had made in the house of the LORD: the brasse of all these vessels was without weight.

21 And concerning the pillars, the height of one pillar *was* eighteene cubites, and a line of twelue cubites did compasse it, and the thickenesse of it *was* foure fingers: it *was* hollow.

22 And a chapiter of brasse was vpon it, and the height of one chapiter *was* fiue cubites, with a network and pomegranates vpon the chapiters round about, all of brasse. The like vnto this had the pillar with pomegranates *were like*.

23 And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side, *and* all the pomegranates vpon the network *were* an hundred round about.

24 ¶ And the captain of the guard tooke Seraiah the chiefe Priest, and Zephaniah the second Priest, and the three keepers of the doore:

25 Hee tooke also out of the citie a eunuch, which had the charge of the men of warre, and seuen men of them that stood before the King, which were found in the city, and the principall Scribe of the host, who mustred the people of the land, and threescore men of the people that were found in the midst of the city.

26 So Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard tooke them, and brought them to the King of Babylon to Riblah.

27 And the King of Babylon smote them, and put them to death in Riblah in the land of Hamath: thus Iudah was caried away captiue out of his owne land.

28 This *is* the people whom Nebuchad-rezzar carried away captiue: in the seuenth yeere three thousand Iewes, and three and twenty.

29 In the eighteene yeere of Nebuchad-rezzar he caried away captiue from Ierusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons.

30 In the three and twentieth yeere of Nebuchad-rezzar, Nebuzaradan the captaine of the guard carried away captiue of the Iewes seuen hundred fourty and fiue persons: all the persons *were* foure thousand and six hundred.

31 ¶ And it came to passe in the seuen and thirtieth yeere of the captiuitie of Iehoiachin King of Iudah, in the twelfth moneth, in the fiue and twentieth *day* of the moneth, that Euil-merodach King of Babylon, in the first yeere of his reigne, lifted vp the head of Iehoiachin King of Iudah, and brought him foorth out of prison,

32 And spake † kindly vnto him, and set his throne aboue the throne of the Kings that were with him in Babylon,

33 And changed his prison garments, and he did continually eat bread before him all the dayes of his life.

34 And for his diet, there was a continuall diet giuen him of the King of Babylon, euery day a portion, vntill the day of his death, all the dayes of his life.

¶ THE LAMENTATIONS OF IEREMIAH.

CHAP. I.

1 *The miſerable eſtate of Ieruſalem, by reaſon of her ſinne.* 12 *She complaineth of her griefe,* 18 *and confeſſeth Gods iudgement to be righteous.*

HOw doth the city ſit ſolitary, *that was* full of people? *how* is ſhee become as a widow? ſhee *that was* great among the nations, and Princeſſe among the Prouinces, *how* is ſhe become tributary?

2 She *weepeth ſore in the *night, and her teares *are* on her cheekes: among all her louers, *ſhe hath* none to comfort her, all her friends haue dealt treacherouſly with her, they are become her enemies.

3 Iudah is gone into captiuity, becauſe of affliction, and † becauſe of great ſeruitude: ſhee dwelleth among the heathen, ſhe findeth no reſt: all her perſecuters ouertooke her betweene the ſtraits.

4 The wayes of Zion doe mourne, becauſe none *are* to the ſolemne Feaſts: all her gates are deſolate: her Prieſts ſigh: her virgins are afflicted, and ſhe *is* in bitternes.

5 Her aduerſaries *are* the chiefe, her enemies proſpert: for the LORD hath afflicted her: for the multitude of her tranſgreſſions, her *children are gone into captiuity before the enemy.

6 And from the daughter of Zion, all her beauty is departed: her Princes are become like Harts *that* find no paſture, and they are gone without ſtrength before the purſuer.

7 Ieruſalem remembred in the dayes of her affliction, and of her miſeries, all her † pleaſant things that ſhe had in the dayes of old, when her people fell into the hand of the enemy, and none did helpe her, the aduerſaries ſaw her, *and* did mocke at her Sabbaths.

8 Ieruſalem hath grieuouſly ſinned, therefore ſhe is remooued: all that honoured her, deſpiſe her, becauſe they haue ſeene her nakednes: yea, ſhee ſigheth and turneth backward.

9 Her filthineſſe *is* in her ſkirts, ſhe remembreth not her laſt end: therfore ſhe came downe wonderfully: ſhee *had* no comforter: O Lord behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified *himſelfe.*

10 The aduerſary hath ſpread out his hand vpon all her pleaſant things: for ſhee hath ſeene *that* the heathen entred into her Sanctuary, whom thou didſt command, *that* they ſhould not enter into thy Congregation.

11 All her people ſigh, they ſeeke bread, they haue giuen their pleaſant things for meat to † relieue the ſoule: ſee, O Lord, and conſider: for I am become vile.

12 ¶ *Is it* nothing to you, all ye that † paſſe by? behold and ſee, if there be any ſorrow like vnto my ſorrow, which is done vnto me, wherewith † LORD hath afflicted *me,* in the day of his fierce anger.

13 From aboue hath hee ſent fire into my bones, and it preuaileth againſt them: hee hath ſpread a net for my feet, he hath turned mee backe: he hath made me deſolate, *and* faint all the day.

14 The yoke of my tranſgreſſions is bound by his hand: they are wreathed, and come vp vpon my neck: he hath made my ſtrength to fall, the Lord hath deliuered me into *their* hands, *from whom* I am not able to riſe vp.

15 The Lord hath troden vnder foot all my mighty men in the middeſt of me: he hath *called* an aſſembly againſt me to cruſh my young men. The Lord hath troden † the virgin, the daughter of Iudah, *as* in a wine preſſe.

16 For theſe things I weepe, * mine eye, mine eye runneth downe with water, becauſe the comforter that ſhould † relieue my ſoule, is far from me: my children are deſolate, becauſe the enemy preuailed.

17 Zion ſpreadeth forth her hands, *and there is* none to comfort her: the LORD hath commanded concerning Iacob, *that* his aduerſaries *ſhould be* round about him: Ieruſalem is as a menſtruous woman among them.

18 ¶ The LORD is * righteous, for I haue rebelled againſt his † Commandement: heare, I pray you, all people, and behold my ſorrow: my virgins and my young men are gone into captiuitie.

19 I called for my louers, *but* they deceiued me: my Prieſts and mine Elders gaue vp the ghoſt in the citie, while they ſought their meat to relieue their ſoules.

20 Behold, O LORD, for I *am* in diſtreſſe: my * bowels are troubled: mine heart is turned within mee, for I haue grieuouſly rebelled: abroad the ſword bereaueth, at home *there is* as death.

21 They haue heard that I ſigh, *there is* none to comfort mee: all mine enemies haue heard of my trouble, they are glad that thou haſt done it: thou wilt bring the day *that* thou haſt ‖ called, and they ſhall be like vnto me.

22 Let all their wickednes come before thee: and doe vnto them, as thou haſt done vnto mee for all my tranſgreſſions: for my ſighs *are* many, and my heart *is* faint.

CHAP. II.

1 *Ieremiah lamenteth the miſery of Ieruſalem.* 20 *He complaineth thereof to God.*

HOw hath the Lord couered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger, *and* caſt downe from heauen vnto the earth the beautie of Iſrael, and remembred not his footſtoole in the day of his anger?

2 The Lord hath ſwallowed vp all the habitations of Iacob, and hath not pitied: he hath throwne downe in his wrath the ſtrong holds of the daughter of Iudah: he hath † brought *them* downe to the ground: hee hath polluted the kingdome, and the Princes thereof.

3 He hath cut off in his fierce anger all the horne of Iſrael: hee hath drawne backe his right hand from before the enemy, and he burned againſt Iacob like a flaming fire, *which* deuoureth round about.

4 He hath bent his bow like an enemy: he ſtood with his right hand as an aduerſary, and ſlew all that were † pleaſant to the eye, in the Tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: he powred out his fury like fire.

5 The Lord was as an enemy: he hath ſwallowed vp Iſrael, he hath ſwallowed vp all her palaces: he hath deſtroyed his ſtrong holds, and hath increaſed in the daughter of Iudah mourning & lamentation.

6 And he hath violently * taken away his ‖ Tabernacle, as *if it were of* a garden, he hath deſtroyed his places of the aſſembly: the LORD hath cauſed the ſolemne feaſts and Sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath deſpiſed in the indignation of his anger, the King and the Prieſt.

7 The Lord hath cast off his Altar: he hath abhorred his Sanctuary, hee hath †giuen vp into the hand of the enemy the walles of her palaces: they haue made a noise in the house of the LORD, as in the day of a solemne feast.

† Hebr. *haue vp.*

8 The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: hee hath stretched out a line: he hath not withdrawne his hand from † destroying: therefore hee made the rampart and the wall to lament: they languished together.

† Hebr. *swallowing vp.*

9 Her gates are sunke into the ground: he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her King and her Princes *are* among the Gentiles: the law *is no more*, her * Prophets also find no vision from the LORD.

*Psa. 74.9

10 The Elders of the daughter of Zion sit vpon the ground, *and* keepe silence: they haue cast vp dust vpon their heads: they haue girded themselues with sackcloth: the virgins of Ierusalem hang downe their heads to the ground.

11 Mine eyes doe faile with teares: my bowels are troubled: my liuer is powred vpon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people; because the children and the sucklings ‖swoond in the streets of the city.

‖Or, faint.

12 They say to their mothers, Where *is* corne and wine? when they swoond as the wounded in the streets of the city, when their soule was powred out into their mothers bosome.

13 What thing shall I take to witnesse for thee? what thing shall I liken vnto thee, O daughter of Ierusalem? what shall I equall to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? for thy breach *is* great like the Sea: who can heale thee?

14 Thy * Prophets haue seene vaine and foolish things for thee, and they haue not discouered thine iniquity, to turne away thy captiuity: but haue seen for thee false burdens, and causes of banishment.

*Ier. 2.8. & 5.31. & 14.14. & 23.16.

15 All that passe † by, clap their hands at thee: they hisse and wagge their head at the daughter of Ierusalem, *saying*, Is this the city that men call * the perfection of beauty, the ioy of the whole earth?

† Hebr. *by the way.* * Psa. 48.2

16 All thine enemies haue opened their mouth against thee: they hisse and gnash the teeth: they say, We haue swallowed *her* vp: certainely this *is* the day that wee looked for; wee haue found, wee haue seene *it*.

17 The LORD hath done that which he had * deuised: he hath fulfilled his word that he had commanded in the dayes of old: hee hath throwne downe, and hath not pitied: and hee hath caused thine enemy to reioyce ouer thee, hee hath set vp the horne of thine aduersaries.

*Leuit. 26. 16. deut. 28. 15.

18 Their heart cryed vnto the Lord, * O wall of the daughter of Zion, let teares runne downe like a riuer day and night: giue thy selfe no rest, let not the apple of thine eye cease.

*Ie. 14.17 chap. 2.18

19 Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches, powre out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord: lift vp thine hands toward him, for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of euery street.

20 Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this: shall the women eat their fruit, *and* children of a ‖span long? shall the Priest and the Prophet bee slaine in the Sanctuary of the Lord?

‖Or, *span'd with their hand.*

21 The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword: thou hast slaine *them* in the day of thine anger: thou hast killed and not pitied.

22 Thou hast called, as in a solemne day, my terrours round about, so that in the day of the LORDS anger, none escaped nor remained: those that I haue swadled and brought vp, hath mine enemy consumed.

CHAP. III.

1 *The faithfull bewaile their calamities.* 21 *They the mercies of God they nourish their hope.* 37 *They acknowledge Gods iustice.* 55 *They pray for deliuerance,* 64 *and vengeance on their enemies.*

I *Am* the man *that* hath seene affliction by the rod of his wrath.

2 Hee hath led me, and brought *me into* darkenesse, but not into light.

3 Surely against me is he turned, he turneth his hand *against me* all the day.

4 My flesh and my skinne hath he made old, he hath broken my bones.

5 Hee hath builded against mee, and compassed *me* with gall and trauell.

6 Hee hath set me in darke places, as they that be dead of old.

7 Hee hath hedged mee about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my chaine heauy.

8 Also when I cry, and shout, hee shutteth out my prayer.

9 He hath enclosed my wayes with hewen stone: he hath made my paths crooked.

10 Hee *was* vnto mee *as* a Beare lying in wait, *and as* a Lion in secret places.

11 He hath turned aside my wayes, and pulled me in pieces: he hath made me desolate.

12 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a marke for the arrow.

13 He hath caused the † arrowes of his quiuer to enter into my reines.

† Hebr. *sonnes.*

14 I was a * derision to all my people, and their song all the day.

15 Hee hath filled me with † bitternesse, he hath made me drunken with wormewood.

† Hebr. *bitternesses.*

16 Hee hath also broken my teeth with grauell stones, he hath ‖couered me with ashes.

‖Or, *made me to wallow.*

17 And thou hast remooued my soule farre off from peace: I forgate † prosperity.

† Hebr. *good.*

18 And I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:

19 † Remembring mine affliction, and my misery, the wormewood and the gall.

† Hebr. *the remembring.*

20 My soule hath *them* still in remembrance, and is † humbled in mee.

† Hebr. *bowed.*

21 This I † recall to my mind, therefore haue I hope.

† Hebr. *bring to my heart.*

22 *It is* of the LORDS mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions faile not.

23 *They are* new euery morning: great *is* thy faithfulnesse.

24 The LORD *is* my * portion, saith my soule, therefore will I hope in him.

25 The LORD *is* good vnto them that wait for him, to the soule *that* seeketh him.

26 *It is* good that a man should both hope and quietly waite for the saluation of the LORD.

27 *It is* good for a man that hee beare the yoke in his youth.

28 He sitteth alone, and keepeth silence, because he hath borne *it* vpon him.

29 Hee putteth his mouth in the dust, if so there may be hope.

30 Hee giueth his cheeke to him that smiteth him, he is filled full with reproch.

31 For the Lord will not cast off for euer.

32 But though hee cause griefe, yet will he haue compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

37 For he doth not afflict † willingly, nor grieue the children of men.
38 To crush vnder his feet all the prisoners of the earth,
39 To turne aside the right of a man before the face of the † most High,
40 To subuert a man in his cause, the Lord approueth not.
41 ¶ Who is he *that saith, and it commeth to passe, when the Lord commandeth it not?
42 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not * euill and good.
43 Wherefore doth a liuing man ‖ complaine, a man for the punishment of his sinnes?
44 Let vs search and try our waies, and turne againe to the Lord.
45 Let vs lift vp our heart with our hands vnto God in the heauens.
46 We haue transgressed, and haue rebelled, thou hast not pardoned.
47 Thou hast couered with anger, and persecuted vs: thou hast slaine, thou hast not pitied.
48 Thou hast couered thy selfe with a cloud, that our prayer should not passe thorow.
49 Thou hast made vs as the * off scouring and refuse in the middest of the people.
50 All our enemies haue opened their mouthes against vs.
51 * Feare and a snare is come vpon vs, desolation and destruction.
52 Mine eye runneth down with riuers of water, for the destruction of the daughter of my people.
53 Mine eye trickleth downe and ceaseth not, without any intermission:
54 Till the LORD looke downe, and behold from heauen.
55 Mine eye affecteth † mine heart, ‖ because of all the daughters of my city.
56 Mine enemies chased mee sore like a bird without cause.
57 They haue cut off my life in the dungeon, and cast a stone vpon me.
58 Waters flowed ouer mine head, *then* I said, I am cut off.
59 ¶ I called vpon thy Name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.
60 Thou hast heard my voice, hide not thine eare at my breathing, at my cry.
61 Thou drewest neere in the day that I called vpon thee: Thou saidest, Feare not.
62 O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soule, thou hast redeemed my life.
63 O LORD, thou hast seene my wrong, iudge thou my cause.
64 Thou hast seene all their vengeance and all their imaginations against me:
65 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, *and* all their imaginations against me:
66 The lips of those that rose vp against mee, and their deuice against me all the day.
67 Behold their sitting downe, and their rising vp, I am their musicke.
68 ¶ Render vnto them a recompense, O LORD, according to the worke of their handes.
69 Giue them ‖ sorrow of heart, thy curse vnto them.
70 Persecute and destroy *them* in anger; from vnder the * heauens of the LORD.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Zion bewailes her pitifull state. 13 Shee confesseth her sinnes. 21 Edom is threatned: 22 Zion is comforted.

HOW is the gold become dim! *how* is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the Sanctuarie are powred out in the top of euery street.
2 The precious sonnes of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the worke of the hands of the potter!
3 Euen the ‖ sea-monsters draw out the breast, they giue sucke to their young ones: the daughter of my people *is become* cruell, like the ostriches in the wildernesse.
4 The tongue of the sucking childe cleaueth to the roofe of his mouth for thirst: the young children aske bread, & no man breaketh *it* vnto them.
5 They that did feed delicately, are desolate in the streets: they that were brought vp in scarlet, embrace dunghils.
6 For the ‖ punishment of the iniquitie of the daughter of my people, is greater then the punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was * ouerthrowne as in a moment, and no hand stayed on her.
7 Her Nazarites were purer then snow, they were whiter then milke, they were more ruddy in body then rubies, their polishing *was* of Saphire.
8 Their visage is ‖ blacker then a coale: they are not knowne in the streets: their skin cleaueth to their bones: it is withered, it is become like a sticke.
9 They that be slaine with the sword, are better then they that be slaine with hunger: for these ‖ pine away, stricken thorow for *want* of the fruits of the field.
10 The hands of the pitifull women haue * sodden their owne children, they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.
11 The LORD hath accomplished his fury, hee hath powred out his fierce anger, and hath kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath deuoured the foundations thereof.
12 The Kings of the earth, and all the Inhabitants of the world would not haue beleeued, that the aduersary and the enemy should haue entred into the gates of Ierusalem.
13 ¶ * For the sinnes of her Prophets *and* the iniquities of her Priests that haue shed the blood of the iust in the midst of her:
14 They haue wandred *as* blinde men in the streets, they haue polluted themselues with blood, ‖ so that men could not touch their garments.
15 They cryed vnto them, Depart yee, ‖ *it is* vncleane; depart, depart, touch not: when they fled away and wandred: they said among the heathen, they shall no more sojourne *here*.
16 The ‖ anger of the LORD hath diuided them, he will no more regard them: they reuerenced not the persons of the Priests, they fauoured not the § Elders.
17 As for vs, our eyes as yet failed for our vaine helpe: in our watching we haue watched for a nation *that* could not saue vs.
18 They hunt our steps that wee cannot go in our streets: our end is neere, our dayes are fulfilled, for our end is come.
19 Our persecuters are swifter then the Eagles of the heauen: they pursued vs vpon the mountaines, they laid wait for vs in the wildernesse.
20 The ‖ breath of our nostrils § anointed of the LORD was taken in their pits, of whom wee said, Vnder his shadow wee shall liue among § heathen.
21 ¶ Reioyce and be glad, O daughter of Edom that dwellest in the land of Vz, the cup also shall passe through vnto thee: thou shalt bee drunken, and shalt make thy selfe naked.
22 ¶ The ‖ punishment of thine iniquity is accomplished

‖ Or, sighing. * Gene. 19. 25. ‖ Or, this iniquity. † Heb. darker then blackenes. ‖ Or, slaine with sword. † Heb. flow out. * 2 Kings 6. 29. Deut. 28. 57. * Ier. 5. 31 & 23. 11. ‖ Or, in that they could not but touch ‖ Or, yee polluted. ‖ Or, faces. * Gen. 2. 7 § Or, shine with quiet.

Or, carry thee captiue for thy sinne.

complished, O daughter of Zion, he will no more carry thee away into captiuity: he will visite thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom, hee will ‖ discouer thy sinnes.

CHAP. V.

A pitifull complaint of Zion in prayer vnto God.

REmember, O LORD, what is come vpon vs: consider and behold our reproach.

2 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliants.

3 We are orphanes and fatherlesse, our mothers *are* as widowes.

†Hebr. *commeth for price*

4 We haue drunken our water for money, our wood † is sold vnto vs.

† Hebr. *our necks are we persecuted.*

5 †Our neckes *are* vnder persecution: wee labour and haue no rest.

6 We haue giuen the hand to the Egyptians, and to the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread.

9 Ier. 31. 29. ezek. 18. 2. * Psal. 31. 38.

7 * Our fathers haue sinned and *are* not, and we haue borne their iniquities.

8 Seruants haue ruled ouer vs: *there is* none that doth deliuer vs out of their hand.

9 We gate our bread with *the perill* of our liues, because of the sword of the wildernesse.

10 Our * skinne was blacke like an ouen, because of the ‖ terrible famine.

11 They rauished the women in Zion, *and the* maids in the cities of Iudah.

12 Princes are hanged vp by their hand: the faces of Elders were not honoured.

13 They tooke the young men to grinde, and the children fell vnder the wood.

14 The Elders haue ceased from the gate, the young men from their musicke.

15 The ioy of our heart is ceased, our dance is turned into mourning.

16 †The crowne is fallen *from* our head: Woe vnto vs, that wee haue sinned.

17 For this our heart is faint, for these things our eyes are dimme.

18 Because of the mountaine of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walke vpon it.

19 Thou, O LORD, * remainest for euer: thy throne from generation to generation.

20 Wherefore doest thou forget vs for euer, *and* forsake vs † so long time?

21 * Turne thou vs vnto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned: renew our dayes as of old.

22 ‖ But thou hast vtterly reiected vs: thou art very wroth against vs.

¶ THE BOOKE OF THE PROPHET EZEKIEL.

CHAP. I.

1 The time of Ezekiels prophecy at Chebar. 4 His vision of foure Cherubims: 15 of the foure wheeles, 26 and of the glory of God.

NOw it came to passe in the thirtieth yeere, in the fourth *moneth*, in the fifth *day* of the moneth, (as I was among † the captiues by the riuer of Chebar) *that* the heauens were opened, and I saw visions of God.

† Hebr. captiuity.

2 In the fifth *day* of the moneth (which *was* the fift yeere of King Iehoiakins captiuity,)

3 The word of the LORD came expressly vnto † Ezekiel the Priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Caldeans, by the riuer Chebar, and the hand of the Lord was there vpon him.

† Hebr. *Iehezkel.*

4 ¶ And I looked, and behold, a whirle-wind came out of the North, a great cloud, and a fire † infolding it selfe, and a brightnesse *was* about it, and out of the midst thereof, as the colour of amber out of the midst of the fire.

† Hebr. *catching it selfe.*

5 Also out of the midst thereof *came* the likenes of foure liuing creatures, and this *was* their appearance: they had the likenesse of a man.

6 And euery one had foure faces, and euery one had foure wings.

† Hebr. *straight feet.*

7 And their feet *were* † straight feet, & the sole of their feet *was* like the sole of a calues foot, and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brasse.

8 And they had the hands of a man vnder their wings on their foure sides, and they foure *had* their faces and their wings.

9 Their wings were ioyned one to another, they turned not when they went: they went euery one straight forward.

10 As for the likenesse of their faces, they foure *had* the face of a man, and the face of a lyon on the right side, they foure *had* the face of an oxe on the left side, they foure also *had* the face of an eagle.

Or, *clouded about.*

11 Thus *were* their faces: and their wings were ‖ stretched vpward, two wings of euery one were ioyned one to another, & two couered their bodies.

12 And they went euery one straight forward, whither the Spirit was to goe, they went: and they turned not when they went.

13 As for the likenesse of the liuing creatures, their appearance *was* like burning coales of fire, *and* like the appearance of lampes: it went vp and downe among the liuing creatures, and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.

14 And the liuing creatures ran, and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

15 ¶ Now as I beheld the liuing creatures, behold, one wheele vpon the earth by the liuing creatures, with his foure faces.

16 The appearance of the wheeles, and their worke *was* like vnto the colour of a Berill: and they foure *had* one likenesse, and their appearance, and their worke *was* as it were a wheele in the middle of a wheele.

17 When they went, they went vpon their foure sides: *and* they returned not when they went.

18 As for their rings, they were so high, that they were dreadfull, and their rings were full of eyes round about them foure.

19 And when the liuing creatures went, the wheeles went by them: and when the liuing creatures were lift vp from the earth, the wheeles were lift vp.

20 Whithersoeuer the Spirit *was* to goe, they went, thither *was their* spirit to goe, & the wheeles were lifted vp ouer against them: for the Spirit ‖ of the liuing creature *was* in the wheeles.

21 When those went, *those* went: and when those stood, *these* stood: and when those were lifted vp from the earth, the wheeles were lifted vp ouer against them: for the Spirit ‖ of the liuing creature *was* in the wheeles.

22 And the likenesse of the firmament vpon the heads of the liuing creatures, *was* as the colour of the terrible christall, stretched forth ouer their heads aboue.

23 And vnder the firmament were their wings straight, the one toward the other; euery one had

one which couered on this side, and euery one had one which couered on that side their bodies.

24 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voyce of the Almighty: the voyce of speech, as the noise of an hoste: when they stood they let downe their wings.

25 And there was a voyce from the firmament, that was ouer their heads, when they stood, and had let downe their wings.

26 ¶ And aboue the firmament that was ouer their heads, was the likenesse of a throne, as the appearance of a Saphir stone, and vpon the likenesse of the throne, was the likenesse as the appearance of a man aboue vpon it.

27 And I saw as the colour of Amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it: from the appearance of his loines euen vpward, and from the appearance of his loines euen downeward: I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightnesse round about.

28 As the apearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of raine, so was the appearance of the brightnesse round about. This was the appearance of the likenesse of the glory of the LORD: and when I saw it, I fell vpon my face, and I heard a voyce of one that spake.

CHAP. II.

1 *Ezekiels commission.* 6 *His instruction.* 9 *The roule of his heauy prophecie.*

AND he said vnto me, Sonne of man, stand vpon thy feet, and I will speake vnto thee.

2 And the Spirit entred into me, when hee spake vnto me, and set me vpon my feet, that I heard him that spake vnto me:

3 And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious † nation, that hath rebelled against mee: they and their fathers haue transgressed against mee, euen vnto this very day.

4 For they *are* † impudent children, and stiffe-hearted: I doe send thee vnto them, and thou shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

5 And they, whether they will heare, or whether they will forbeare (for they are a rebellious houſe) yet shall know that there hath beene a Prophet among them.

6 ¶ And thou sonne of man be not affraid of them neither be affraid of their words, though † briers and thornes *be* with thee, and thou doest dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismaied at their lookes, though they *be* a rebellious houſe.

7 And thou shalt speake my words vnto them, whether they will heare, or whether they will forbeare, for they *are* most † rebellious.

8 But thou sonne of man, heare what I say vnto thee, Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious houſe: open thy mouth, and * eat that I giue thee.

9 ¶ And when I looked, behold, an hand *was* sent vnto me, and loe, a roule of a booke was therein:

10 And he spread it before me, and it was written within and without, and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

CHAP. III.

1 *Ezekiel eateth the roule.* 4 *God encourageth him.* 15 *God sheweth him the vse of prophecie.* 22 *God shutteth and openeth the Prophets mouth.*

MOreouer, he said vnto me, Sonne of man, eate that thou findeſt: eate this roule, and goe, speake vnto the houſe of Israel.

2 So I opened my mouth, and hee caused mee to eate that roule.

3 And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, cause thy belly to eate, and fill thy bowels with this roule that I giue thee. Then did I * eat it, and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetnesse. * Reuel. 10.9.

4 ¶ And he said vnto me, Son of man, Goe get thee vnto the houſe of Israel, and speake with my words vnto them.

5 For thou *art* not sent to a people of a † strange speech, and of an hard language, *but* to the houſe of Israel.

6 Not to many people of a strange speech, and of an † hard language, whose words thou canst not vnderstand: surely had I sent thee to them, they would haue harkened vnto thee:

7 But the houſe of Israel will not hearken vnto thee; for they will not hearken vnto me: for all the houſe of Israel are † impudent and hard hearted.

8 Behold, I haue made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.

9 As an Adamant, harder then flint haue I made thy forehead, * feare them not, neither be dismaied at their lookes though they *be* a rebellious houſe.

10 Moreouer he said vnto me, Sonne of man, all my words that I shall speake vnto thee, receiue in thine heart, and heare with thine eares.

11 And goe, get thee to them of the captiuity: vnto thy people, and speake vnto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD, whether they will heare, or whether they will forbeare.

12 Then the Spirit tooke me vp, and I heard behind me a voyce of a great rushing *saying*, Blessed *be* the glory of the LORD from his place.

13 *I heard* also the noyse of the wings of the liuing creatures that † touched one another, and the noyse of the wheeles ouer against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

14 So the Spirit lifted me vp, and tooke me away, and I went in † bitternesse, in the † heat of my spirit, but the hand of the LORD was strong vpon me.

15 ¶ Then I came to them of the captiuity, at Telabib, that dwelt by the riuer of Chebar, and I sate where they sate, and remained there astonished, among them seuen dayes.

16 And it came to passe at the end of seuen dayes that the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

17 * Son of man I haue made thee a watchman vnto the houſe of Israel: therefore heare the word at my mouth, and giue them warning from me.

18 When I say vnto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die, & thou giuest him not warning, nor speakest to warne the wicked from his wicked way, to saue his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warne the wicked, and hee turne not from his wickednes, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity, but thou hast deliuered thy soule.

20 Againe, when a * righteous man doth turne from his † righteousnesse, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumbling blocke before him, he shall die: because thou hast not giuen him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousnesse which hee hath done, shall not be remembred: but his blood will I require at thine hand.

21 Neuertheles, if thou warne the righteous man that the righteous sinne not, and he doth not sinne; he shall surely liue, because he was warned: also thou hast deliuered thy soule.

22 ¶ And the hand of the LORD was there vpon me, and he said vnto me, Arise, goe forth into the plaine, and I will there talke with thee.

† Heb. deepe of lips, and heauy of tongue. * verse 6. † Heb. deepe of lip and heauy language. ‖ Or, if I had sent thee, &c. Would they not haue hearkened vnto me? 6 shee ‖ † Heb. ſtiffe of forehead and hard of heart. * Ier. 1.8. † Heb. kiſſed. † Hebr. bitter. † Hebr. hot anger. * Chap. 33.7. * Chap. 18.24. † Hebr. righteouſneſſe.

23 Then I arose and went forth into the plaine, and behold, the glory of the LORD stood there as
*Chap. 1. the glory which I *saw by the riuer of Chebar, and I fell on my face.

24 Then the Spirit entred into me, and set mee vpon my feet, and spake with mee, and said vnto me, Goe, shut thy selfe within thine house.

25 But thou, O sonne of man, behold, they shall put bands vpon thee, and shall bind thee with them and thou shalt not goe out among them.

26 And I will make thy tongue cleaue to the roofe of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumbe, and
‖ A man reproouing shalt not bee to them ‖ a reproouer, for they are a rebellious house.

27 But when I speake with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD, He that heareth, let him heare: and hee that forbeareth, let him forbeare: for they are a rebellious house.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Vnder the type of a siege, 4 is shewed the time from the desolation of Ieroboam to the captiuitie. 9 By the prouision of the siege, 12 is shewed the hardnesse of the famine.

THou also sonne of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray vpon it the city, euen Ierusalem.

2 And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it: set the campe also against it, and set ‖ battering rammes against
‖ Or chiefe leaders. it round about.

3 Moreouer, take thou vnto thee an ‖ yron pan, and set it for a wall of yron betweene thee & the
‖ Or, a flat plate or slice. city, and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it: this *shall be* a signe to the house of Israel.

4 Lie thou also vpon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel vpon it: according to the number of the dayes that thou shalt lie vpon it, thou shalt beare their iniquity.

5 For I haue laid vpon thee the yeeres of their iniquity, according to the number of the daies, three hundred and ninety dayes. * So shalt thou
*Num. 14.34. beare the iniquity of the house of Israel.

6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie againe on thy right side, and thou shalt beare the iniquity of the house of Iudah forty dayes: I haue appointed thee † each day for a yeere.

‡ Hebr. a day for a yeere, a day for a yeere. † Hebr. From thy side to thy side.

7 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Ierusalem, and thine arme *shall be* vncouered, and thou shalt prophesie against it.

8 And behold, I will lay bands vpon thee, and thou shalt not turne thee † from one side to another till thou hast ended the dayes of thy siege.

9 ¶ Take thou also vnto thee wheat, and barly, and beanes, and lentils, and millet, and ‖ fitches, and put them in one vessell, and make thee bread
‖ Or, spelt, thereof, according to the number of the dayes that thou shalt lie vpon thy side; three hundred and ninety dayes shalt thou eate thereof.

10 And thy meate which thou shalt eat *shall be* by weight twenty shekels a day; from time to time shalt thou eate it.

11 Thou shalt drinke also water by measure, the sixt part of an Hin: from time to time shalt thou drinke.

12 And thou shalt eate it *as* barly cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that commeth out of man in their sight.

13 And the LORD said, Euen thus shall the children of Israel eate their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whether I will driue them.

14 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD, behold my soule hath not beene polluted: for from my youth vpon till now, haue I not eaten of that which dieth of it selfe, or is torne in pieces, neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth.

15 Then he said vnto me, Loe, I haue giuen thee cowes dung for mans dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

16 Moreouer, he said vnto me, Sonne of man, behold, I will breake the * staffe of bread in Ierusalem, and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care, and they shall drinke water by measure, and with astonishment.

17 That they may want bread and water, and be astonied one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.

CHAP. V.

1 Vnder the type of haire, 5 is shewed the iudgements of Ierusalem for their rebellion, 11 for pollution, sworn, and despersion.

ANd thou sonne of man, take thee a sharpe knife, take thee a barbers rasor, and cause it to passe vpon thine head, and vpon thy beard: then take the ballance to weigh, and diuide the haire.

2 Thou shalt burne with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the dayes of the siege are fulfilled, & thou shalt take a third part, & smite them with a knife, & a third part thou shalt scatter in the wind, and I will draw out a sword after them.

3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy † skirts.

4 Then take of them againe, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burne them in the fire: for thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.

5 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, This is Ierusalem: I haue set it in the midst of the nations and countreys *that are* round about her.

6 And shee hath changed my iudgements into wickednesse more then the nations, & my statutes more then the countreys *that are* round about her: for they haue refused my iudgements and my statutes, they haue not walked in them.

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Because ye multiplied more then the nations that are round about you, and haue not walked in my statutes, neither haue kept my iudgements, neither haue done according to the iudgements of the nations that are round about you:

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, euen I *am* against thee, and will execute iudgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.

9 And I will doe in thee that which I haue not done, and whereunto I will not doe any more the like, because of all thine abominations.

10 Therefore the fathers shall * eat the sons in the midst of thee, & the sons shall eat their fathers: and I will execute iudgements in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter toward all the winds.

11 Wherefore as I liue, saith the Lord GOD, Surely because thou hast defiled my Sanctuary, with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish *thee*, neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I haue any pitty.

12 ¶ A third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee: and I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.

13 Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest vpon them, and I will be
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comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken it in my zeale, when I haue accomplished my fury in them.

14 Moreouer I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that are round about thee, in the sight of all that passe by.

15 So it shall be a * reproach, and a taunt, an instruction, and an astonishment vnto the nations that are round about thee, when I shall execute iudgements in thee in anger, and in fury, and in sharpe rebukes: I the LORD haue spoken it.

16 When I shall send vpon them the euill arrowes of famine, which shall be for their destruction, and which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine vpon you, and will breake your * staffe of bread.

17 So will I send vpon you famine, and * euill beasts, and they shall bereaue thee, and pestilence, and blood shall passe thorow thee, & I will bring the sword vpon thee: I the LORD haue spoken it.

CHAP. VI.

1 *The iudgement of Israel for their idolatry.* 8 *A remnant shall bee blessed.* 11 *The faithfull are exhorted to lamentable calamities.*

AND the word of the LORD came vnto mee, saying,

2 Sonne of man, set thy face towards the * mountaines of Israel, and prophesie against them.

3 And say: Yee mountaines of Israel, heare the word of the Lord GOD. Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountaines and to the hils, to the riuers and to the valleys, Behold, I, *euen* I will bring a sword vpon you, and I will destroy your high places.

4 And your Altars shall be desolate, and your images shall bee broken: and I will cast downe your slaine men before your idoles.

5 And I will † lay the dead carkasses of the children of Israel before their idoles, and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

6 In all your dwelling places the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate, that your altars may be laid waste, and made desolate, and your idolesmay be broken and cease, and your images may bee cut downe, and your workes may be abolished.

7 And the slaine shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

8 ¶ Yet will I leaue a remnant, that ye may haue some that shall escape the sword among § nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countreys.

9 And they that escape of you, shall remember me among the nations, whither they shalbe carryed captiues, because I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me, & with their eyes which goe a whoring after their idoles: and they shall loath themselues for the euils which they haue committed in all their abominations.

10 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, *and* that I haue not said in vaine, that I would doe this euill vnto them.

11 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, Smite * with thine hand, and stampe with thy foote, and say, Alas for all the euill abominations of the house of Israel: for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.

12 Hee that is far off shall die of the pestilence: and he that is neere shall fall by the sword, and hee that remaineth and is besieged, shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my fury vpon them.

13 Then shall ye know that I *am* the LORD, when their slaine men shall be among their idoles round about their altars, vpon euery high hill in all the tops of the mountaines, and vnder euery greene tree, and vnder euery thicke oake, the place where they did offer sweet sauour to all their idoles.

14 So will I ‖ stretch out my hand vpon them, and make the land desolate, yea more ‖ desolate then the wildernes towards Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

‖ *Or, desolate from the wildernesse.*

CHAP. VII.

1 *The finall desolation of Israel.* 16 *The mournefull repentance of them that escape.* 20 *The enemies defile the Sanctuary, because of the Israelites abominations.* 23 *Vnder the type of a chaine, is shewed their miserable captiuity.*

MOreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

2 Also thou sonne of man, thus saith the Lord GOD vnto the land of Israel. An end, the end is come vpon the foure corners of the land.

3 Now *is* the end come vpon thee, and I will send mine anger vpon thee, and will iudge thee according to thy wayes, and will † recompense vpon thee all thine abominations.

† *Hebr. giue.*

4 And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I haue pity: but I will recompense thy wayes vpon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

5 Thus saith the Lord GOD, An euill, an only euill, behold, is come.

6 An end is come, the end is come, it † watcheth for thee, behold, it is come.

† *Hebr. awaketh against thee.*

7 The morning is come vnto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: the time is come, the day of trouble *is* neere, and not the ‖ sounding againe of the mountaines.

‖ *Or, ecchoing.*

8 Now will I shortly powre out my fury vpon thee, and accomplish mine anger vpon thee: and I will iudge thee according to thy wayes, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.

9 And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I haue pity: I will recompense † thee, according to thy wayes, and thine abominations that are in the middest of thee, and yee shall know that I *am* the LORD that smiteth.

† *Hebr. vpon thee.*

10 Behold the day, behold, it is come, the morning is gone foorth, the rod hath blosomed, pride hath budded.

11 Violence is risen vp into a rod of wickednesse: none of them *shall remaine*, nor of ‖ their multitude, nor of any of theirs, neither shall there be wailing for them.

‖ *Or, their tumultuous person.*

12 The time is come, the day draweth neere, let not the buyer reioyce, nor the seller mourne: for wrath is vpon all the multitude thereof.

sons, heb. † *Hebr. tumult.*

13 For the seller shall not returne to that which is sold, † although they were yet aliue: for the vision *is* touching the whole multitude thereof, which shall not returne: neither shall he strengthen himselfe in the ‖ iniquity of his life.

though their life ‖ *Or, who is among the liuing*

14 They haue blowen the trumpet, euen to make all ready, but none goeth to the battell: for my wrath *is* vpon all the multitudes thereof.

Ier. 6. 24.

15 The sword *is* without, and the pestilence, and the famine within: he that *is* in the field, shall die with the sword, and he that is in the city, famine and pestilence shall deuoure him.

Ier. 6. 24. *guilty both his iniquity.* * *Iez. 7. 7.*

16 ¶ But they that escape of them, shall escape, and shall be on the mountaines, like doues of the valleys, all of them mourning, euery one for his iniquity.

† *Hebr. got into water.*

17 All * hands shall bee feeble, and all knees † shall be weake as water.

* *Iez. 15.* *Ier. 47.*

18 They shall also * gird *themselues* with sacke cloth,

cloth and horror shall couer them, and shame *shall be* vpon all faces, and baldnesse vpon all their heads.

‡ *Hebr. or a separation of vncleannes.* * *Prou.11 4.zepha.1 18.ecclus. 5.18.* ‖ *Or, because their iniquity is her stumbling blocke.*

19 They shall cast their siluer in the streets, and their gold shall be ‡ remoued: their *siluer, and their gold, shall not be able to deliuer them in the day of the wrath of the* LORD: they shall not satisfie their soules, neither fill their bowels, ‖ because it is the stumbling blocke of their iniquity.

20 ¶ As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in maiesty: but they made the images of their abominations, *and* of their detestable things therein: therefore haue I set it farre from them.

21 And I will giue it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoyle, and they shall pollute it.

22 My face will I turne also from them, and they shall pollute my secret place: for the ‖ robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

‖ *Or, made it vnto them an vncleane thing.* ‖ *Or, burglars.*

23 ¶ Make a chaine: for the land is full of bloody crimes, the city is full of violence.

24 Wherefore, I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possesse their houses: I will also make the pompe of the strong to cease, and ‖ their holy places shall be defiled.

‖ *Or, they shall inherite their holy places.*

25 † Destruction commeth, and they shall seeke peace, *and there shall be* none.

‡ *Hebr. cutting off.*

26 Mischiefe shall come vpon mischiefe, and rumour shall be vpon rumour, then shall they seeke a vision of the Prophet; but the Law shall perish from the Priest, and counsell from the ancients.

‡ *Hebr. with their iudgements.*

27 The King shall mourne, and the Prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will doe vnto them after their way, and † according to their deserts will I iudge them, and they shall know that I *am the* LORD.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Ezekiel in a vision of God, at Ierusalem, 5 is shewed the image of Iealousie. 7 The chambers of imagery. 13 The mourners for Tammuz. 15 The worshippers towards the Sunne. 18 Gods wrath for their idolatry.

AND it came to passe in the sixt yeere, in the sixt *moneth*, in the fift *day* of the moneth, as I sate in mine house, and the Elders of Iudah sate before me; that the hand of the Lord GOD fell there vpon me.

2 Then I beheld, and loe, a likenesse as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of his loines euen downward, fire: and from his loines euen vpward, as the appearance of brightnesse, as the colour of amber.

3 And he * put forth the forme of an hand, and tooke me by a locke of mine head, and the Spirit lift me vp betweene the earth and the heauen, and brought me in the visions of God to Ierusalem, to the doore of the inner gate, that looketh toward the North, where *was* the seat of the image of Iealousie, which prouoketh to Iealousie.

* *Dan. 5.5.*

4 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel *was* there, according to the vision that I * saw in the plaine.

* *Chap. 3.23.*

5 ¶ Then said he vnto me, Sonne of man, lift vp thine eyes now the way toward the North: so I lift vp mine eyes the way toward the North, and behold, Northward at the gate of the Altar, this image of Iealousie in the entry.

6 He said furthermore vnto me, Sonne of man, seest thou what they doe? *euen* the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should goe far off from my Sanctuary? but turne thee yet againe, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations.

7 ¶ And he brought me to the dore of the court: and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall.

8 Then said he vnto me, Sonne of man, digge now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold, a doore.

9 And he said vnto me, Goe in, and behold the wicked abominations that they doe here.

10 So I went in and saw, and behold, euery forme of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idoles of the house of Israel, pourtrayed vpon the wall round about.

11 And there stood before them, seuenty men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Iaazaniah the sonne of Shaphan with euery man his censer in his hand, and a thicke cloud of incense went vp.

12 Then said he vnto me, Sonne of man, hast thou seene what the ancients of the house of Israel doe in the darke, euery man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, * The LORD seeth vs not, the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

13 ¶ He said also vnto me, Turne thee yet againe, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations that they doe.

14 Then hee brought me to the doore of the gate of the LORDS house, which *was* towards the North, and behold, there sate women weeping for Tammuz.

15 ¶ Then said he vnto me, Hast thou seene this, Sonne of man? Turne thee yet againe, and thou shalt see greater abominations then these.

16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORDS house, and behold, at the doore of the Temple of the LORD, betweene the porch and the Altar, *were* about fiue and twentie men, with their backes toward the Temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the East, and they worshipped the Sunne toward the East.

17 ¶ Then he said vnto me, Hast thou seene this, O sonne of man? ‖ Is it a light thing to the house of Iudah, that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they haue filled the land with violence, and haue returned to prouoke me to anger: and loe, they put the branch to their nose.

‖ *Or, is it a light thing.*

18 Therefore will I also deale in fury: mine * eye shall not spare, neither will I haue pity: and though they * cry in mine eares with a loud voyce, *yet* will I not heare them.

* *Chap. 9.10.* * *Prou. 1.28. Isai. 1.15. Mich. 3.4. Zach. 7.13.*

CHAP. IX.

1 A vision whereby is shewed the preseruation of some, 5 and the destruction of the rest. 8 God cannot be intreated for them.

HE cryed also in mine eares with a loud voyce, saying, Cause them that haue charge ouer the city to draw neere, euen euery man *with* his destroying weapon in his hand.

2 And behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, † which lieth toward the Northward, euery man a † slaughter weapon in his hand, and one man among them clothed with linnen, with a writers inkehorne by his side, and they went in, and stood beside the brasen Altar.

3 And the glory of the God of Israel was gone vp from the Cherub whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house, and he called to the man clothed with linnen, which *had* the writers inkehorne by his side.

4 And the LORD said vnto him, Goe through the midst of the city, through the midst of Ierusalem, and set † a marke vpon the foreheads of the men

that sigh, and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

5 ¶ And to the *others* he said in † mine hearing, Go ye after him thorow the city and smite: let not your eye spare, neither haue ye pitty.

6 Slay † vtterly old *and* young; both maids and little children, and women: but come not neere any man vpon whom is the marke, and begin at my Sanctuary: then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

7 And he said vnto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slaine: goe ye forth: and they went forth, and slew in the city.

8 ¶ And it came to passe while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell vpon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD, wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel, in thy powring out of thy fury vpon Ierusalem?

9 Then said hee vnto mee; The iniquity of the house of Israel and Iudah *is* exceeding great, and the land is † full of blood, and the city full of † perverseness: for they say, *The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.*

10 And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I haue pity; *but* I will recompence their way vpon their head.

11 And behold, the man clothed with linner, which had the inkehorne by his side, † reported the matter, saying; I haue done as thou hast commanded me.

CHAP. X.

The vision of the coales of fire, to be scattered ouer the city. 8 The vision of the Cherubims.

1 Then I looked, and behold, in the * firmament that *was* aboue the head of the Cherubims, there appeared ouer them, as *it were* a Saphir stone as the appearance of the likenesse of a throne.

2 And he spake vnto the man clothed with linner, and said, Goe in betweene the wheeles; *euen* vnder the Cherub, and † fill thine hand with coales of fire from betweene the Cherubims; and scatter them ouer the city. And hee went in my sight.

3 Now the Cherubims stood on the right side of the house when the man went in, and the cloud filled the inner Court.

4 Then the glory of the LORD † went vp from the Cherub, *and stood* ouer the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightnes of the LORDS glory.

5 And the * sound of the Cherubims wings was heard euen to the vtter court, as the voyce of the mighty God when he speaketh.

6 And it came to passe, *that* when he had commanded the man clothed with linnen, saying, Take fire from betweene the wheeles, from betweene the Cherubims; Then he went in, and stood beside the wheeles.

7 And one Cherub † stretched forth his hand from betweene the Cherubims, vnto the fire that *was* betweene the Cherubims: and tooke *thereof*, and put it into the hands of him that was clothed with linnen, who tooke it, and went out.

8 ¶ And there appeared in the Cherubims the forme of a mans hand vnder their wings.

9 And when I looked, behold, the foure wheeles by the Cherubims, one wheele by one Cherub, and another wheele by another Cherub: and the appearance of the wheeles, *was* as the colour of a * Berill stone.

10 And as for their appearances, they foure *had* one likenesse, as if a wheele had beene in the midst of a wheele.

11 When they went, they went vpon their foure sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked, they followed it, they turned not as they went.

12 And their whole † body, and their backes, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheeles *were* full of eyes round about, *euen* the wheeles that they foure *had*. † *Hebr.* flesh.

13 As for the wheeles, ‖ it was cried vnto them in my hearing, O wheele. ‖ *Or, they were called in my hearing, wheele, or Galgal.*

14 And euery one *had* foure faces; the first face *was* the face of a Cherub, and the second face *was* the face of a man, and the third the face of a lyon, and the fourth the face of an Eagle.

15 And the Cherubims were lifted vp. this *is* the liuing creature that I saw by the riuer of Chebar.

16 And when the Cherubims went, the wheeles went by them: and when the Cherubims lift vp their wings to mount vp from the earth, the same wheeles also returned not from beside them.

17 When they stood, *these* stood, and when they were lifted vp, *these* lift vp themselues *also*: for the spirit of the ‖ liuing creature *was* in them. ‖ *Or, of life.*

18 Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood ouer the Cherubims.

19 And the Cherubims lift vp their wings, and mounted vp from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheeles also *were* beside them, and *euery one* stood at the doore of the East gate of the LORDS house, and the glory of the God of Israel *was* ouer them aboue.

20 This *is* the liuing creature that I saw vnder the God of Israel, by the riuer of Chebar, and I knew that they *were* the Cherubims.

21 Euery one had foure faces apiece, and euery one foure wings, and the likenesse of the hands of a man *was* vnder their wings.

22 And the likenesse of their faces *was* the same faces which I saw by the riuer of Chebar, their appearances, and themselues: they went euery one straight forward.

CHAP. XI.

1 The presumption of the Princes: 4 Their sin and iudgement. 13 Ezekiel complaining, God sheweth him his purpose in sauing a remnant, 21 and punishing the wicked. 22 The glory of God leaueth the city. 24 Ezekiel is returned to the captiuity.

MOreouer, the Spirit lift mee vp, and brought mee vnto the East gate of the LORDS house, which looketh Eastward: and behold, at the doore of the gate stae and twenty men: among whom I saw Iaazaniah the sonne of Azur, and Pelatiah the sonne of Beniah, Princes of the people.

2 Then said he vnto me, Sonne of man, these *are* the men that deuise mischiefe, and giue wicked counsell in this city:

3 Which say, It ‖ *is* not * neere, let vs build houses: this *city is* the caldron, and we be the flesh. ‖ *Or, is it not* * *Or, neere.*

4 ¶ Therefore prophesie against them, prophesie, O Sonne of man. *to build houses*

5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell vpon me, and said vnto me, Speake, thus saith the LORD: Thus haue ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, euery one *of them*. * 2. Pet. 3. 4.

6 Ye haue multiplied your slaine in this city, and ye haue filled the streets thereof with the slaine.

7 Therfore thus saith the Lord GOD, Your slaine whom ye haue laid in the midst of it, they *are* the flesh,

flesh, and this *city is* the cauldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.

8 Ye haue feared the sword, and I will bring a sword vpon you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliuer you into the hands of strangers, and will execute iudgements among you.

10 Yee shall fall by the sword: I will iudge you in the border of Israel, and yee shall know that I *am* the LORD.

11 This *city* shall not be your cauldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof, *but* I will iudge you in the border of Israel.

12 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD: for ‖ Or, which haue not walked. ye haue not walked in my statutes, neither executed my iudgements, but haue done after the manners of the heathen that *are* round about you.

13 ¶ And it came to passe when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the sonne of Beniah died: then fell I downe vpon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said; Ah Lord GOD, wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel?

14 Againe the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;

15 Sonne of man, thy brethren, *euen* thy brethren, the men of thy kinred, and all the house of Israel wholly *are they*, vnto whom the inhabitants of Ierusalem haue said, Get ye farre from the LORD: vnto vs is this land giuen in possession.

16 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I haue cast them farre off among the heathen, and although I haue scattered them among the countreys, yet will I bee to them as a little Sanctuary in the countreys where they shall come.

17 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will euen gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countreys where yee haue been scattered, and I will giue you the land of Israel.

18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof, and all the abominations thereof from thence.

Ier. 32. 39. chap. 36. 26. 19 And * I will giue them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you: and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will giue them an heart of flesh, ℣. 20.

20 That they may walke in my statutes and keep mine ordinances, and doe them; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

21 But *as for them* whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things, and their abominations, I will recompense their way vpon their owne heads, saith the Lord GOD.

22 ¶ Then did the Cherubims lift vp their wings, and the wheeles beside them, and the glory of the God of Israel *was* ouer them aboue.

23 And the glory of the LORD went vp from the midst of the city, and stood vpon the mountaine which *is* on the East side of the city.

24 ¶ Afterwards the Spirit tooke mee vp, and brought mee in vision by the Spirit of God into Caldea to them of the captiuity: so the vision that I had seene went vp from me.

25 Then I spake vnto them of the captiuity, all the things that the LORD had shewed me.

CHAP. XII.

1 The type of Ezekiels remouing: 8 It sheweth the captiuity of Zedekiah. 17 Ezekiel trembling sheweth the Iewes desolation. 21 The Iewes presumptuous prouerbe is reproued. 26 The speedinesse of the vision.

THE word of the LORD also came vnto mee, saying,

2 Sonne of man, thou dwellest in the midst of rebellious house, which haue eies to see, and see not: they haue eares to heare and heare not: for they *are* a rebellious house.

3 Therefore thou sonne of man, prepare thee ‖ stuffe for remouing, and remoue by day in their sight, and thou shalt remoue from thy place to another place in their sight: it may be they will consider, though they *be* a rebellious house.

4 Then shalt thou bring forth thy stuffe by day in their sight, as stuffe for remouing: and thou shalt goe forth at euen in their sight, † as they that goe forth into captiuity.

5 † Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.

6 In their sight shalt thou beare it vpon thy shoulders, *and* carry *it* forth in the twilight: thou shalt couer thy face, that thou see not the ground: for I haue set thee for a signe vnto the house of Israel.

7 And I did so as I was commanded: I brought forth my stuffe by day, as stuffe for captiuity, and in the euen I † digged through the wall with mine hand, I brought *it* forth in the twilight, *and* I bare *it* vpon *my* shoulder in their sight.

8 ¶ And in the morning came the word of the LORD vnto me, saying,

9 Sonne of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said vnto thee, What doest thou?

10 Say thou vnto them: Thus saith the Lord GOD; This burden *concerneth* the Prince in Ierusalem, and all the house of Israel that *are* among them.

11 Say I *am* your signe: like as I haue done, so shall it be done vnto them: † they shall remoue *and* goe into captiuity.

12 And the Prince that *is* among them shall beare vpon his shoulder in the twylight, and shall goe forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall couer his face, that he see not the ground with *his* eyes.

13 My * net also will I spread vpon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon to the land of the Caldeans, yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there.

14 And I will scatter to euery wind all that are about him to helpe him, and all his bands: and I will draw out the sword after them.

15 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and dispersse them in the countreys.

16 But I will leaue † a few men of them from the sword, from the famine, and from the pestilence, that they may declare all their abominations among the heathen whither they come, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

17 ¶ Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;

18 Sonne of man, eate thy bread with quaking, and drinke thy water with trembling, and with carefulnesse,

19 And say vnto the people of the land, thus saith the Lord GOD, of the inhabitants of Ierusalem, *and* of the land of Israel, They shall eate their bread with carefulnesse, and drinke their water with astonishment, that her land may be desolate from † all that is therein, because of the violence of them that dwell therein.

20 And the cities that are inhabited, shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

21 ¶ And the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

…ets.

…ment of man, what is that prouerbe that ye
…in the land of Israel, saying, The dayes are
…ged, and euery vision faileth?
…Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord
…I will make this prouerbe to cease, and they
…no more vse it as a prouerbe in Israel; but say
…them, The daies are at hand, and the effect of
…vision.
…For there shalbe no more any vaine vision, nor
…ying diuination within the house of Israel.
…For I am the LORD: I will speake, and the
…that I shall speake, shall come to passe: it shalbe
…re prolonged: for in your dayes, O rebellious
…use, will I say the word, and will performe
…th the Lord GOD.
…Againe the word of the LORD came to me,
…;
…Sonne of man behold, they of the house of Israel
…vision of he seeth, is * for many dayes to come,
…e prophesieth of the times that are far off.
…Therefore say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord
…There shall none of my words be prolonged
…re, but the word which I haue spoken shall
…ne, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XIII.

The reproofe of lying prophets, 10 and their vntempered morter. 17 Of Prophetesses and their arts.

…Nd the word of the LORD came vnto me,
…saying;
…Sonne of man prophesie against the prophets
…rael that prophesie, and say thou vnto them
…prophesie out of their owne * hearts, Heare
…e word of the LORD:
…Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe vnto the foo-
…sh prophets, that † follow their owne spirit, ‖ and
…ue nothing.
…O Israel thy prophets are like the foxes in the
…es.
…Ye haue not gone vp into the ‖ gaps, neither
…e vp the hedge for the house of Israel, to
…nd the battell in the day of the LORD.
…They haue seene vanity, and lying diuination,
…ying, The LORD saith, and the LORD hath not
…nt: and they haue made others to hope, that
…ould confirme the word.
…Haue ye not seene a vaine vision, and haue ye
…oken a lying diuination, whereas ye say, The
…D saith it, albeit I haue not spoken?
…Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because
…e spoken vanity, and seene lies, therefore be-
…old I am against you, saith the Lord GOD.
…And mine hand shalbe vpon the prophets that
…sh vanity, and that diuine lies: they shall not be in
…e assembly of my people, neither shall they be
…ten in the writing of the house of Israel, neither
…all they enter into the land of Israel, and ye
…all know that I am the Lord GOD.
…Because, euen because they haue seduced my
…ople, saying, * Peace, and there was no peace: and
…one built vp a wall, and lo, others dawbed it with
…ntempered morter.
…Say vnto them which dawbe it with vntempe-
…ed morter, that it shall fall: there shalbe an ouer-
…wing shower, and ye, O great haile stones, shall
…ll: and a stormie wind shall rent it.
…Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be
…id vnto you, Where is the dawbing wherewith
…e haue dawbed it?
…Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, I will
…ent it with a stormie wind in my fury: and
…ere shall be an ouerflowing shower in mine an-
…ger, and great haile stones in my fury to consume it.
14 So will I breake downe the wall that ye haue dawbed with vntempered *morter*, and bring it downe to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discouered, and it shall fall, and ye shall bee consumed in the midst thereof: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath vpon the wall, and vpon them that haue dawbed it with vntempered *morter*, and will say vnto you; The wall *is* no *more*, neither they that dawbed it;
16 *To wit*, the prophets of Israel, which prophesie concerning Ierusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and *there is* no peace, saith the Lord GOD.
17 ¶ Likewise thou sonne of man, set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesie out of their owne hearts, and prophesie thou against them,
18 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Woe to the *women* that sow pillowes to all ‖ armeholes, ‖*Or*, and make kerchiefes vpon ‖ the head of euery stature, *elbow.* to hunt soules. Will ye hunt the soules of my people, & will ye saue the soules aliue *that come* vnto you?
19 And will yee pollute mee among my people for handfuls of barley, and for pieces of bread, to slay the soules that should not die, and to saue the soules aliue that should not liue, by your lying to my people, that heare *your* lies?
20 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I *am* against your pillowes, wherewith ye there hunt the soules, to make *them* flie, and I will teare them from your armes, and will let the soules goe, *euen* the soules that ye hunt, to make them flee. ‖*Or, into gardens.*
21 Your kerchiefes also will I teare and deliuer my people out of your hand, and they shall bee no more in your hand to be hunted, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
22 Because with lies ye haue made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I haue not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that hee should not returne from his wicked way ‖ by promising him life. ‖*Or, that I should saue him by quickning him.*
23 Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor diuine diuinations, for I will deliuer my people out of your hand, & ye shal know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 God answereth idolaters according to their own hearts. 6 They are exhorted to repent for feare of iudgements, by means of seduced prophets. 12 Gods irrreuocable sentence of famine, 15 of noysome beasts, 17 of the sword, 19 and of pestilence. 22 A remnant shall be reserued for example of others.

THen came certaine of the Elders of Israel vnto me, and sate before me.
2 And the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;
3 Son of man, these men haue set vp their idols in their heart, and put the stumbling blocke of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?
4 Therefore speake vnto them, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Euery man of the house of Israel that setteth vp his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumbling blocke of his iniquity before his face, and commeth to the Prophet, I the LORD will answer him that commeth, according to the multitude of his idols,
5 That I may take the house of Israel in their owne heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols.
6 ¶ Therefore say vnto the house of Israel, Thus saith

‖ *Or, Giuers.*

saith the Lord GOD, Repent, and turne ‖ your selues from your idols, and turne away your faces from all your abominations.

7 For euery one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger ♭ sojourneth in Israel, which seperateth himselfe from me, and setteth vp his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumbling blocke of his iniquity before his face, and commeth to a Prophet to enquire of him concerning me, I the LORD will answere him by my *selfe*.

8 And I will set my face against that man, and will make him a * signe and a prouerbe, & I will cut him off from the midst of my people, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

* Deut. 28.37. 1 Sa. 5.15.

* 1 King. 22.23.

9 And if the Prophet be deceiued, when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD * haue deceiued that Prophet, and I will stretch out my hand vpon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.

10 And they shall beare the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the Prophet shall bee euen as the punishment of him that seeketh vnto him:

11 That the house of Israel may go no more astray from me, neither bee polluted any more with all their transgressions, but that they may bee my people, and I may be their God, saith the Lord GOD.

12 ¶ The word of the LORD came againe to me, saying;

13 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grieuously, then will I stretch out mine hand vpon it, and will breake the * staffe of the bread thereof, and will send famine vpon it, and will cut off man and beast from it.

* Lenit. 26.26. chap. 4.16 and 5.16. * Ier. 15.1.

14 * Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Iob were in it, they should deliuer *but* their owne soules by their righteousnesse, saith the Lord GOD.

‖ *Or, bereaue.* † *Hebr. in the midst of it.*

15 ¶ If I cause noysome beasts to passe thorow the land, and they ‖ spoyle it, so that it be desolate, that no man may passe thorow because of the beasts,

16 *Though* these three men *were* † in it, as I liue, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliuer neither sons nor daughters: they only shall be deliuered, but the land shall be desolate.

17 ¶ Or *if* I bring a sword vpon that land, and say, Sword, goe thorow the land, so that I cut off man and beast from it:

18 Though these three men *were* in it, as I liue, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliuer neither sons nor daughters, but they onely shall bee deliuered themselues.

19 ¶ Or *if* I send a pestilence into that land and power out my fury vpon it, in blood, to cut off from it man and beast:

20 Though Noah, Daniel, and Iob *were* in it as I liue, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliuer neither son nor daughter: they shall *but* deliuer their owne soules by their righteousnesse.

‖ *Or, also when.*

21 For thus saith the Lord GOD, ‖ How much more, when I send my foure sore iudgements vpon Ierusalem; the sword, and the famine, and the noysome beast, and the pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast?

22 ¶ Yet behold, therein shall bee left a remnant that shall be brought forth, *both* sons & daughters, behold, they shall come foorth vnto you, and yee shall see their way, and their doings: and ye shall bee comforted concerning the euill that I haue brought vpon Ierusalem, *euen* concerning all that I haue brought vpon it.

23 And they shall comfort you when ye see their wayes and their doings; and yee shall know that I haue not done without cause all that I haue done in it, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XV.

1 By the vnfruitfulnesse of the vine branch for all works, 6 is shewed the rewarde of Ierusalem.

AND the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;

2 Son of man, what is the vine tree more than any tree, or *then* a branch which is among the trees of the forrest?

3 Shall wood be taken thereof to doe any worke? or, will men take a pin of it to hang any vessell thereon?

4 Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuell: the fire deuoureth both the ends of it, and the midst of it is burnt. † Is it meet for any worke?

5 Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no worke: how much lesse shall it be meet yet for any work, when ♭ fire hath deuoured it, & it is burnt?

6 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As the vine tree, among the trees of the forrest, which I haue giuen to the fire for fuell, so will I giue the inhabitants of Ierusalem.

7 And I will set my face against them, they shall goe out from *one* fire, and *another* fire shall deuour them, and ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them.

8 And I will make the land desolate, because they haue † committed a trespasse, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Vnder the similitude of a wretched infant, is shewed the naturall state of Ierusalem, 6 Gods extraordinary loue towards her. 15 Her whoredome. 35 Her grieuous iudgement. 44 Her sin matching her in euil and exceeding her in Sodome and Samaria, calleth for iudgement. 60 Mercy is promised her in the end.

AGAINE the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;

2 Sonne of man, cause Ierusalem to know her abominations,

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD vnto Ierusalem; Thy † birth and thy nativity is of the land of Canaan, thy father *was* an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.

4 And as for thy nativity in the day thou wast borne, thy navell was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to ‖ supple thee: thou wast not salted at all, nor swadled at all.

5 None eye pitied thee, to doe any of these things vnto thee, to haue compassion vpon thee, but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the loathing of thy person in the day that thou wast borne.

6 ¶ And when I passed by thee, and saw thee ‖ polluted in thine owne blood, I said vnto thee, *when thou wast* in thy blood, Liue: yea, I said vnto thee, *when thou wast* in thy blood, Liue.

7 I haue † caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to ♭ excellent ornaments: thy breasts are fashioned, and thine haire is grown, whereas thou *wast* naked and bare.

8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked vpon thee, Behold, thy time *was* the time of Loue: and I spread my skirt ouer thee, and couered thy nakednesse: yea, I sware vnto thee, and entred into a couenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.

9 Then washed I thee with water? yea, I throughly washed away thy † blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oyle.

ached thee also with broidred worke, and
ee with badgers skin, & I girded thee about
e linnen, and I couered thee with silke.
decked thee also with ornaments, and I put
es vpon thine hands, and a chaine on thy

nd I put a iewell on thy forehead, and eare-
thine eares, and a beautifull crowne vp-
e head.
hou wast thou decked with gold and siluer,
rayment was of fine linnen, and silke, and
ed worke, thou didst eate fine floure, and ho-
ney, and oyle, and thou wast exceeding beautifull, and
estproper into a kingdome.
nd thy renowne went foorth among the
for thy beauty: for it was perfect through
ellinesse which I had put vpon thee, saith the
OD.
But thou didst trust in thine owne beauty,
inest the harlot because of thy renowne, and
st out thy fornications on euery one that
by, his it was.
ok thy garments thou diddest take, and
st thy high places with diuers colours, and
st the harlot thereupon: the like things shall
t, neither shall it be so.
hou hast also taken thy faire iewels of my
d of my siluer, which I had giuen thee, and
to thy selfe images † of men, and diddest
t whoredome with them,
nd tookest thy broidered garments, and co-
them: and thou hast set mine oyle and mine
e before them.
y meate also which I gaue thee, fine floure,
le, and hony wherewith I fed thee, thou hast
it before them for a † sweet sauour: and
was, saith the Lord GOD.
oreouer, thou hast taken thy sonnes and thy
ters, whom thou hast borne vnto mee, and
st thou sacrificed vnto them † to be deuou-
this of thy whoredomes a small matter,
That thou hast slaine my children, and deli-
them, to cause them to passe thorow the fire
m?
nd in all thine abominations, and thy whore-
thou hast not remembred the dayes of thy
hen thou wast naked and bare, and wast pol-
in thy blood.
nd it came to passe after all the wickednes,
woe vnto thee, saith the Lord GOD.)
That thou hast also built vnto thee an † emi-
ber, and hast made thee an high place in
ry street.
Thou hast built thy high place at euery head
way, and hast made thy beauty to bee abhor-
d hast opened thy feet to euery one that pas-
, and multiplied thy whoredomes.
Thou hast also committed fornication with
gyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh, & hast
ased thy whoredomes to prouoke me to anger.
Behold therefore, I haue stretched out my
ne over thee, and haue diminished thine ordi-
, and deliuered thee vnto the will of them
te thee, the † daughters of the Philistines,
are ashamed of thy lewd way.
Thou hast played the whore also with the As-
, because thou wast vnsatiable: yea, thou
ed the harlot with them, and yet couldest
satisfied.
Thou hast moreouer multiplied thy fornica-
in the land of Canaan vnto Caldea, and yet
nd not satisfied herewith.

30 How weake is thine heart, saith the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these things, the worke of an imperious whorish woman?

31 In † that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of euery way, and makest thine high place in euery street, and hast not beene as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire:

32 But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers in stead of her husband.

33 They giue gifts to all whores, but thou giuest thy gifts to all thy louers, and † hirest them, that they may come vnto thee on euery side for thy whoredome.

34 And the contrary is in thee from other women in thy whoredomes: whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredomes: and in that thou giuest a reward, and no reward is giuen vnto thee: therefore thou art contrary.

35 ¶ Wherefore, O harlot, Heare the word of the LORD.

36 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthinesse was powred out, and thy nakednesse discouered through thy whoredomes, with thy louers, and with all the idoles of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou diddest giue vnto them;

37 Behold therefore, I will gather all thy louers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loued, with all them that thou hast hated: I will euen gather them round about against thee, and will discouer thy nakednesse vnto them, that they may see all thy nakednesse.

38 And I will iudge thee, as women that breake wedlocke and shed blood, are iudged, and I will giue thee blood in fury and iealousie.

39 And I will also giue thee into their hand, and they shall throw downe thine eminent place, and shall breake downe thy high places, they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take thy † faire iewels, and leaue thee naked and bare.

40 They shall also bring vp a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee thorow with their swords.

41 And they shall *burne thine houses with fire, and execute iudgements vpon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt giue no hire any more.

42 So will I make my fury towards thee to rest, and my iealousie shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

43 Because thou hast not remembred the dayes of thy youth, but hast fretted mee in all these things: behold therefore, I also will recompense thy way vpon *thine* head, saith the Lord GOD: & thou shalt not commit this lewdnes, aboue all thine abominations.

44 ¶ Behold, euery one that vseth prouerbs, shall vse *this* prouerbe against thee, saying, As *is* the mother, *so is* her daughter.

45 Thou *art* thy mothers daughter, that loatheth her husband, and her children, and thou *art* the sister of thy sisters, which loathed their husbands, and their children: your mother *was* an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.

46 And thine elder sister *is* Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand: and thy † younger sister that dwelleth at thy right hand, *is* Sodome and her daughters.

47 Yet hast thou not walked after their wayes, nor done after their abominations: but as if † that *were* a very little *thing*, thou wast corrupted more, then they in all thy wayes.

48 As

† Heb. in thy daughters is thine, &c.

† Heb. bribes.

† Heb. with iudgements of.

† Heb. instruments of fine ornaments.

* 2. Kings 25. 9. Ier. 52. 13.

† Heb. lesser then thou. ‖ Or, that was loathed as a small thing.

48 As I liue, saith the Lord GOD, Sodome thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.

49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodome; Pride, fulnesse of bread, and abundance of idlenesse was in her, and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poore and needy

50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: * therefore I tooke them away as I saw good.

51 Neither hath Samaria committed halfe of thy sinnes, but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more then they, and hast iustified thy sisters in all thine abominations which thou hast done.

52 Thou also which hast iudged thy sisters, beare thine owne shame, for thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable then they: they are more righteous then thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and beare thy shame, in that thou hast iustified thy sisters.

53 When I shall bring againe their captiuity, the captiuity of Sodome and her daughters, and the captiuity of Samaria and her daughters, then will I bring againe the captiuity of thy captiues in the midst of them;

54 That thou mayest beare thine owne shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done in that thou art a comfort vnto them.

55 When thy sisters, Sodome and her daughters, shall returne to their former estate, and Samaria and her daughters shall returne to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall returne to your former estate.

56 For thy sister Sodome was not † mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy † pride;

57 Before thy wickednesse was discouered, as at the time of thy reproach of the daughters of † Syria, and all *that are* round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which † despise thee round about.

58 Thou hast † borne thy lewdnesse, and thine abominations, saith the LORD.

59 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will euen deale with thee, as thou hast done, which hath despised the oath, in breaking the Couenant.

60 ¶ Neuertheless, I will remember my Couenant with thee in the dayes of thy youth, and I will establish vnto thee an euerlasting Couenant.

61 Then thou shalt remember thy wayes, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receiue thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger, and I will giue them vnto thee for * daughters, but not by thy couenant

62 And I will establish my Couenant with thee, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD:

63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and neuer open thy mouth any more: because of thy shame when I am pacified towards thee, for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XVII.

1 *Vnder the parable of two Eagles and a Vine,* 21 *it shewed God is in earnest vpon Ierusalem, for reuolting from Babylon to Egypt* 22 *God promiseth to plant the Cedar of the Gospel.*

AND the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

2 Sonne of man, put forth a riddle, and speake a parable vnto the house of Israel,

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD, A great Eagle, with great wings, long winged, full of feathers, which had † diuers colours came vnto Lebanon, and tooke the highest branch of the Cedar,

4 He crept off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffique; he set it in a city of merchants.

5 He tooke also of the seed of the land, † planted it in a fruitfull field, he placed it by great waters; *and* set it *as* a willow tree.

6 And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned towards him, and the rootes thereof were vnder him: so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs.

7 There was also another great Eagle, with great wings, and many feathers, and behold, this vine did bend her rootes towards him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrowes of her plantation.

8 It was planted in a good † soile by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, & that it might beare fruit, that it might be a goodly vine.

9 Say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Shall it prosper? shall hee not pull vp the rootes thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it withered? it shall wither in all the leaues of her spring, euen without great power, or many people to plucke it vp by the rootes thereof.

10 Yea, behold, being planted, shall it prosper? shall it not vtterly wither, when the East wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrowes where it grew.

11 ¶ Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

12 Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these things *meane*? tell them, Behold, the King of Babylon is come to Ierusalem, and hath taken the King thereof, and the Princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;

13 And hath taken of the Kings seed, and made a couenant with him, and hath † taken an oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:

14 That the kingdome might bee base, that it might not lift it selfe vp, *but that* by keeping of his Couenant it might stand.

15 But hee rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might giue him horses and much people. Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such things? for shall he breake the Couenant, and be deliuered?

16 As I liue, saith the Lord GOD, Surely in the place *where* the King *dwelleth* that made him King, whose oath he despised, and whose Couenant hee brake, *euen* with him, in the midst of Babylon he shall die.

17 Neither shall Pharaoh with his mighty army and great company make for him in the warre, by casting vp mounts, and building forts, to cut off many persons.

18 Seeing he despised the oath, by breaking the Couenant, (when lo, he had giuen his hand,) and hath done all these things, he shall not escape.

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As I liue, surely mine oath that he hath despised, and my Couenant that he hath broken, euen that will I recompense vpon his owne head.

20 And I will † spread my net vpon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon, and will plead with him there for his trespasse that he hath trespassed against me.

21 And all his fugitiues with all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remaine shall be scattered toward all winds: and ye shall know that I the LORD haue spoken *it*.

22 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, I will also take of the highest branch of the high Cedar, and

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* Gen. 19. 24.

† Hebr. for a reproch or hearing.

† Hebr. pride, or excellencies.

† Hebr. Aram. Vr, spoile.

† Hebr. borne them.

* Gal. 4. 26.

† Hebr. imbroidering.

, I will crop off from the top of his young
s a tender one, and will plant it vpon an high
ntaine, and eminent.
In the mountaine of the height of Israel will
nt it: and it shall bring foorth boughes, and
r fruit, and bee a goodly Cedar, and vnder it
l dwell all fowle of euery wing: in the shadow
he branches thereof shall they dwell.
And all the trees of the field shall know that
LORD haue brought downe the high tree,
exalted the low tree, haue dryed vp the greene
, and haue made the dry tree to flourish: I the
D haue spoken, and haue done it.

CHAP. XVIII.

God reproueth the vniust parable of sowre grapes. 5 He sheweth how he dealeth with a iust man: 10 with a wicked sonne of a iust father: 14 with a iust sonne of a wicked father: 19 with a wicked man repenting: 24 with a iust man reuoking. 25 He defendeth his iustice, 31 and exhorteth to repentance.

And the word of the LORD came vnto mee
gaine, saying,
What meane ye that ye vse this prouerbe con-
ing the land of Israel, saying, The *fathers
aten sowre grapes, and the childrens teeth
set on edge?
As I liue, saith the Lord GOD, ye shal not haue
ion any more to vse this prouerbe in Israel.
Behold all soules are mine, as the soule of the
er, so also the soule of the sonne is mine: the
l that sinneth, it shall die.
But if a man bee iust, and doe that which is
wfull and right:
And hath not eaten vpon the mountaines, nei-
r hath lift vp his eyes to the idoles of the house
Israel, neither hath †defiled his neighbours wife,
r hath come neere to *a menstruous woman,
And hath not * oppressed any, *but* hath resto-
to the debtour his *pledge, hath spoiled none
violence, hath * giuen his bread to the hungry,
hath couered the naked with a garment,
He *that* hath not giuen foorth vpon *vsury,
ther hath taken any increase, that hath with-
ne his hand from iniquity, hath executed true
gment betweene man and man,
Hath walked in my Statutes, and hath kept
Iudgements to deale truely: he *is* iust, he shall
ly liue, saith the Lord GOD.
¶ If he begee a sonne that *is a* ‖robber, a shed-
of blood, and ‖that doeth the like to any one
these things,
And that doeth not any of those *duties*, but
h hath eaten vpon the mountaines, and defiled
neighbours wife,
Hath oppressed the poore and needy, hath
led by violence, hath not restored the pledge,
hath lift vp his eyes to the idols, hath commit-
abomination,
Hath giuen foorth vpon vsury, and hath taken
crease: shall he then liue? Hee shall not liue: he
h done all these abominations, hee shall surely
, his † blood shall be vpon him.
¶ Now loe, *if* he begee a sonne, that seeth all
fathers sinnes which he hath done, and consi-de-
, and doeth not such like,
That hath not eaten vpon the mountaines, nei-
r hath lift vp his eyes to the idols of the house
Israel, hath not defiled his neighbours wife,
Neither hath oppressed any, † hath not with-
den the pledge, neither hath spoiled by vio-
e, *but* hath giuen his bread to the hungry, and
hath couered the naked with a garment;
17 *That* hath taken off his hand from the poore, *that* hath not receiued vsury nor increase, hath executed my Iudgments, hath walked in my Statutes, hee shall not die for the iniquity of his father, hee shall surely liue.
18 As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did that which *is* not good among his people, loe, euen he shall die in his iniquity.
19 ¶ Yet say yee, * Why? doth not the sonne beare the iniquity of the father? when the sonne hath done that which is lawfull and right, *and* hath kept all my Statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely liue.
20 The soule that sinneth, it shall die: the sonne shall not beare the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father beare the iniquity of the sonne: the righteousnes of the righteous shall be vpon him, and the wickednesse of the wicked shall be vpon him.
21 But if the wicked will turne from all his sins, that he hath committed, and keep all my Statutes, and doe that which is lawfull and right, hee shall surely liue, he shall not die.
22 All his transgressions that hee hath committed, they shall not be mentioned vnto him: in his righteousnesse that he hath done, he shall liue.
23 * Haue I any pleasure at all, that the wicked should die, saith the Lord GOD? *and* not that he should returne from his wayes, and liue?
24 ¶ But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousnesse, and committeth iniquity, *and* doth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doth, shall he liue? all his righteousnesse that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespasse that he hath trespassed, and in his sinne that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.
25 ¶ Yet yee say, * The way of the Lord is not equall. Heare now, O house of Israel, Is not my way equall? are not your wayes vnequall?
26 When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousnesse, and committeth iniquitie, and dieth in them; for his iniquitie that he hath done, shall he die.
27 Againe, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickednesse that he hath committed, and doth that which is lawfull and right, he shall saue his soule aliue.
28 Because he considereth and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, hee shall surely liue, he shall not die.
29 Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equall. O house of Israel, are not my wayes equall? are not your wayes vnequall?
30 Therefore I will iudge you, O house of Israel, euery one according to his wayes, saith the Lord GOD; * repent and turne ‖your selues from all your transgressions: so iniquity shall not bee your ruine.
31 ¶ Cast away from you all your transgressions whereby yee haue transgressed, and make you a * new heart, and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?
32 For * I haue no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turne ‖your selues, and liue yee.

CHAP. XIX.

1 A lamentation for the Princes of Israel, vnder the parable of lyons whelpes taken in a pit, 10 and for Jerusalem, vnder the parable of a wasted vine.

MOreouer, take thou vp a lamentation for the Princes of Israel,

a And

2 And say, What *is* thy mother? A lioneſſe: ſhee lay downe among lions, ſhe nouriſhed her whelpes among young lions.

3 And ſhee brought vp one of her whelpes: it became a young lion, and it learned to catch the prey, it deuoured men.

4 The nations alſo heard of him, hee was taken in their pit, and they brought him with chaines vnto the land of *Egypt.

*2. Kings 23.33. Ier. 22.11.

5 Now when ſhe ſaw that ſhe had wayted, *and* her hope was loſt, then ſhee tooke another of her whelpes, *and* made him a young lion.

6 And hee went vp and downe among the lions, hee became a young lion, and learned to catch the prey, *and* deuoured men.

‖ Or, ſ' eir widowes.

7 And he knew ‖ their deſolate palaces, and hee laid waſte their cities, and the land was deſolate, and the fulneſſe thereof by the noiſe of his roaring.

8 Then the nations ſet againſt him on euery ſide from the prouinces, and ſpread their net ouer him: he was taken in their pit.

‖ Or, in bookes.

9 And they put him in ward ‖ in chaines, and brought him to the King of Babylon, they brought him into holds, that his voyce ſhould no more be heard vpon the mountaines of Iſrael.

‖ Or, in thy quietneſs, or in thy likeneſſe.

10 ¶ Thy mother *is* like a vine ‖ in thy blood, planted by the waters, ſhee was fruitfull, and full of branches, by reaſon of many waters,

11 And ſhee had ſtrong rods for the ſcepters of them that beare rule, and her ſtature was exalted among the thick branches, and ſhe appeared in her height, with the multitude of her branches.

12 But ſhe was plucked vp in fury: ſhe was caſt downe to the ground, and the * Eaſt wind dried vp her fruit: her ſtrong rods were broken and withered, the fire conſumed them.

*Oſe 13. 15.

13 And now ſhee *is* planted in the wilderneſſe in a dry and thirſty ground.

14 And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, *which* hath deuoured her fruit, ſo that ſhee hath no ſtrong rod *to be* a ſcepter to rule: this *is* a lamentation, and ſhall be for a lamentation.

CHAP. XX.

God reſuſeth to be conſulted by the Elders of Iſrael. 5 He ſheweth the ſtory of their rebellions in Egypt, 10 in the wildernes, 27 and in the land. 33 He promiſeth to gather them by the Goſpel. 45 Vnder the name of a forreſt he ſheweth the deſtruction of Ieruſalem.

AND it came to paſſe in the ſeuenth yere, in the fifth *moneth*, the tenth *day* of the moneth, *that* certaine of the Elders of Iſrael came to enquire of the LORD, and ſate before mee.

2 Then came the word of the LORD vnto mee, ſaying,

3 Some of man, ſpeake vnto the Elders of Iſrael, and ſay vnto them, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, Are ye come to enquire of me? As I liue, ſaith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

‖ Or, plead for them. * Chap. 22 nations of their fathers?

4 Wilt thou ‖ * iudge them, ſonne of man, wilt thou iudge *them*? cauſe them to know the abomi-

2. & 23. 36

‖ Or, ſware and ſo verſe. 6. &c. * Exod. 3. 8. & 4. 31.

5 ¶ And ſay vnto them, Thus ſaith the Lord God, In the day when I choſe Iſrael, and ‖ lifted vp mine hand vnto the ſeed of the houſe of Iacob, and made my * ſelfe knowne vnto them in the land of Egypt, when I lifted vp mine hand vnto them, ſaying, I *am* the LORD your God,

6 In the day *that* I lifted vp mine hand vnto them, to bring them forth of the land of Egypt, into a land that I had eſpied for them, flowing with milke and honey, *which* is the glory of all lands;

7 Then ſaid I vnto them, Caſt ye away the abominations of his eyes, and defile not your ſelues with the idoles of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

8 But they rebelled againſt mee, and would not hearken vnto mee: they did not euery man caſt away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forſake the idols of Egypt: then I ſaid, I will powre out my fury vpon them, to accompliſh my anger againſt them in the midſt of the land of Egypt.

9 But I wrought for my Names ſake, that it ſhould not be polluted before the heathen, among whom they *were*, in whoſe ſight I made my ſelfe knowne vnto them, in bringing them forth out of the land of Egypt.

10 ¶ Wherefore I * cauſed them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderneſſe.

11 And I gaue them my Statutes, and ‖ ſhewed them my Iudgements, which if a man doe, he ſhall euen liue in them.

12 Moreouer alſo, I gaue them my * Sabbaths, to be a ſigne betweene me and them, that they might know, that I *am* the LORD that ſanctifie them.

13 But the houſe of Iſrael rebelled againſt me in the wilderneſſe: they walked not in my Statutes, and they deſpiſed my Iudgements, which if a man doe, hee ſhall euen liue in them, and my Sabbaths they greatly * polluted: then I ſaid, I would powre out my fury vpon them in the wilderneſſe, to conſume them.

14 But I wrought for my Names ſake, that it ſhould not bee polluted before the heathen, in whoſe ſight I brought them out.

15 Yet alſo I lifted vp my hand vnto them in the wilderneſſe, that I would not bring them into the Land which I had giuen *them*, flowing with milke and hony, *which* is the glory of all lands,

16 Becauſe they deſpiſed my Iudgements, and walked not in my Statutes, but polluted my Sabbaths: for their heart went after their idoles.

17 Neuertheleſſe, mine eye ſpared them, from deſtroying them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderneſſe.

18 But I ſaid vnto their children in the wilderneſſe, Walke ye not in the ſtatutes of your fathers, neither obſerue their iudgements, nor defile your ſelues with their idoles.

19 I *am* the LORD your God: walke in my ſtatutes, and keepe my Iudgements, and doe them.

20 And hallow my Sabbaths, and they ſhall be a ſigne betweene me and you, that ye may know that I *am* the LORD your God.

21 Notwithſtanding, the children rebelled againſt me: they walked not in my Statutes, neither kept my Iudgements to doe them, which if a man doe, hee ſhall euen liue in them: they polluted my Sabbaths: then I ſaid, I would powre out my fury vpon them, to accompliſh mine anger againſt them in the wilderneſſe.

22 Neuertheleſſe, I withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my names ſake, that it ſhould not be polluted in the ſight of the heathen, in whoſe ſight I brought them forth.

23 I lifted vp mine hand vnto them alſo in the wilderneſſe, that I would ſcatter them among the heathen, and diſperſe them in the countries,

24 Becauſe they had not executed my Iudgements, but had deſpiſed my Statutes, and had polluted my Sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers idoles.

25 Wherefore I gaue them alſo Statutes

were not good, and iudgements whereby they should not liue.

26 And I polluted them in their owne gifts, in that they caused to passe *thorow *the fire*, all that openeth the wombe; that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I *am* the LORD.

27 ¶ Therefore, sonne of man, speake vnto the house of Israel, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Yet in this your fathers haue blasphemed me, in that they haue † committed a trespasse against me.

28 For when I had brought them into the land, for the which I lifted vp mine hand to giue it to them, then they saw euery high hill, and all the thicke trees, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the prouocation of their offering: there also they made their sweet sauour, and powred out there their drinke offerings.

29 Then I said vnto them, What is the high place whereunto yee goe? and the name thereof is called Bamah vnto this day.

30 Wherefore say vnto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Are ye polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit yee whoredome after their abominations?

31 For when ye offer your gifts, when yee make your sonnes to passe thorow the fire, ye pollute your selues with all your idoles euen vnto this day: and shall I bee enquired of by you, O house of Israel? As I liue, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

32 And that which commeth into your minde, shall not be at all, that ye say, Wee will be as the nations, as the families of the countreys, to serue wood and stone.

33 ¶ As I liue, saith the Lord GOD, Surely with a mighty hand and with a stretched-out arme, and with fury powred out will I rule ouer you.

34 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countreys wherein ye are scattered, with a mightie hand, and with a stretched out arme, and with fury powred out.

35 And I will bring you into the wilderneſſe of the people, and there will I pleade with you face to face.

36 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderneſſe of the land of Egypt, so will I pleade with you, saith the Lord GOD.

37 And I will cause you to passe vnder the rod, and will bring you into the bond of the Couenant.

38 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgresse against mee: I will bring them forth out of the countrey where they sojourne, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

39 As for you, O house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Goe yee, serue ye euery one his idoles, and hereafter also, if ye will not hearken vnto me: but pollute yee my holy Name no more with your gifts, and with your idoles.

40 For in mine holy mountaine, in the mountaine of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land serue me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the † first fruits of your oblations, with all your holy things.

41 I will accept you with your † sweet sauor, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countreys wherein yee haue beene scattered, and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.

42 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the countrey, for the which I lifted vp mine hand, to giue it to your fathers.

43 And there shall ye remember your wayes, and all your doings wherein yee haue beene defiled: and ye shall loathe your selues in your owne sight, for all your euils that ye haue committed.

44 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I haue wrought with you for my Names sake, not according to your wicked wayes, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

45 ¶ Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

46 Sonne of man, set thy face toward the South, and drop *thy word* toward the South, and prophesie against the forrest of the South field.

47 And say to the forrest of the South, Heare the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD. Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall deuoure euery greene tree in thee, and euery dry tree: the flaming flame shall not bee quenched, and all faces from the South to the North shall bee burnt therein.

48 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD haue kindled it: it shall not be quenched.

49 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD, they say of me, Doth he not speake parables?

CHAP. XXI.

1 *Ezekiel prophesieth against Ierusalem, with a signe of sighing.* 8 *The sharpe and bright sword,* 18 *against Ierusalem.* 25 *against the kingdome* 28 *and against the Ammonites.*

AND the word of the LORD came vnto mee, saying,

2 Sonne of man, set thy face towards Ierusalem, and drop *thy word* toward the holy places, and prophesie against the land of Israel,

3 And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I *am* against thee, and will draw foorth my sword one of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked.

4 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked, therfore shall my sword goe foorth out of his sheath against all flesh from the South to the North.

5 That all flesh may know that I the LORD haue drawne foorth my sword out of his sheath; it shall not returne any more.

6 Sigh therefore thou sonne of man, with the breaking of *thy* loynes, and with bitternesse sigh before their eyes.

7 And it shall bee when they say vnto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answere, For the tidings; because it commeth: and euery heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and euery spirit shall faint, and all knees † shall bee weake as water: behold, it commeth, and shall be brought to passe, saith the Lord GOD. † *Heb.* *shall goe into water.*

8 ¶ Againe the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

9 Sonne of man, prophesie and say, Thus saith the LORD, Say, A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also fourbished.

10 It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is fourbished, that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? It contemneth the rod of my sonne, as euery tree. *Or, it is the rod of my sonne, as euery tree.*

11 And he hath giuen it to be fourbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened, and it is fourbished to giue it into the hand of the slayer. *It is dispatched.*

12 Cry and howle, sonne of man, for it shall be vpon

vpon my people, it *shall be* vpon all the Princes of Israel: ‖ terrours by reason of the sword, *shall be* vpon my people; *smite therefore vpon thy thigh:

13 ‖Because it is a triall, and what if *the sword* contemne euen the rod? it shall bee no *more*, saith the Lord GOD.

14 Thou therefore, sonne of man, prophesie and ‖smite thine † hands together, and let the sword bee doubled the third time, the sword of the slaine: it *is* the sword of the great men that are slaine, which entreth into their priuie chambers.

15 I haue set the ‖ point of the sword against all their gates, that *their* heart may faint, and their ruines be multiplied. Ah, it is made bright, it is ‖ wraped vp for the slaughter.

16 Goe thee one way or other, either on the right hand, for on the left, whithersoeuer thy face is set.

17 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD haue said *it*.

18 ¶ The word of the LORD came vnto mee againe, saying,

19 Also thou sonne of man, appoint thee two wayes, that the sword of the King of Babylon may come: both twaine shall come foorth out of one land: and choose thou a place, choose it at the head of the way to the city.

20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the Ammonites, and to Iudah in Ierusalem the defenced.

21 For the King of Babylon stood at the † parting of the way, at the head of the two waves, to vse diuination: he made his ‖ arrowes bright, hee consulted with † images, he looked in the liuer.

22 At his right hand was the diuination for Ierusalem, to appoint ‖ captaines to open the mouth in the slaughter, to lift vp the voice with shouting, to appoint *battering rammes* against the gates, to cast a mount, *and* to build a fort.

23 And it shall be vnto them as a false diuination in their sight, ‖ to them that haue sworne oathes: but he will call to remembrance the iniquity, that they may be taken.

24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Because ye haue made your iniquity to be remembred, in that your transgressions are discouered, so that in all your doings your sinnes doe appeare: because, *I say*, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shal be taken with the hand.

25 ¶ And thou prophane wicked Prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity *shall haue* an end;

26 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Remoue the diademe, and take off the crowne: this *shall* not *bee* the same: exalt him that is low, and abase him that is high.

27 † I will ouerturne, ouerturne, ouerturne it, and it shall be no more, vntill he come whose right it is; and I will giue it him.

28 ¶ And thou sonne of man, prophesie and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning the Ammonites, & concerning their reproach: Euen say thou, The sword, the sword *is* drawne for the slaughter, it *is* furbished to consume because of the glittering:

29 Whiles they see vanity vnto thee, whiles they diuine a lie vnto thee, to bring thee vpon the necks of them that are slaine, of the wicked whose day is come, when their iniquity *shall haue* an end.

30 ‖ Shall I cause it to returne into his sheath? I will iudge thee in the place where thou wast created, in the land of thy nativity.

31 And I will powre out mine indignation vpon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath, and deliuer thee into the hand of ‖ brutish men, *and* skilfull to destroy.

32 Thou shalt bee for fewell to the fire, thy blood shall be in the midst of the land, thou shalt bee no *more* remembred: for I the LORD haue spoken *it*.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *A catalogue of sinnes in Ierusalem.* 3 *God bewayleth them as drosse in his furnace.* 23 *The generall corruption of Prophets, Priests, Princes, & people.*

MOreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

2 Now thou sonne of man, ‖ Wilt thou iudge, wilt thou iudge the † bloody city? yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations.

3 Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD, The city sheddeth blood in the middest of it, that her time may come, and maketh idoles against her selfe, to defile her selfe.

4 Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast † shed, and hast defiled thy selfe in thine idoles which thou hast made, and thou hast caused thy dayes to draw neere, and art come euen vnto thy yeeres; therefore haue I made thee a reproch vnto the heathen, and a mocking to all countreys.

5 Those that be neere, and those that be farre from thee, shall mocke thee ‖ vile and † infamous *and* much vexed.

6 Behold the Princes of Israel, euery one were in thee to their † power to shed blood.

7 In thee haue they set light by father and mother † in the midst of thee haue they dealt by oppression with the stranger: in thee haue they vexed the fatherlesse and the widow.

8 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast prophaned my Sabbaths:

9 In thee are † men that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat vpon the mountaines: in the midst of thee they commit lewdnesse:

10 In thee haue they * discouered their fathers nakednesse: in thee haue they humbled her that was † set apart for pollution.

11 And ‖ one hath committed abomination with his neighbours * wife, and ‖ another hath ‖ lewdly defiled his * daughter in law, and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his fathers daughter.

12 In thee haue they taken gifts to shed blood: thou hast taken vsury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord GOD.

13 ¶ Behold therefore, I haue * smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gaine which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath beene in the middest of thee.

14 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong in the dayes that I shall deale with thee? I the LORD haue spoken *it*, and will doe *it*.

15 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countreys, and will consume thy filthinesse out of thee.

16 And thou ‖ shalt take inheritance in thy selfe, in the sight of the heathen, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

17 And the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;

18 Sonne of man, the house of Israel is to me become drosse: all they *are* brasse, and tin, and yron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace: they are *euen* the † dresse of siluer.

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Because ye are all become drosse, behold therefore I will

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Or, they are the last — *Or, the sword of the slaine* — *Or, when the sword hath bin, which entreth* — *Or, that their hearts may faint* — *Or, glistering, or feare.* — *Or, sharpened.* — † *Heb. Set thy first, take the first hand.* — † *Heb. mother of the way.* — ‖ *Or, diuiners.* — † *Heb. Teraphims.* — ‖ *Or, battering rams, Heb. rammes.* — *Or, for the oaths made vnto them.* — † *Heb. peruerted, peruerted, peruerted will I make it.* — *Or, came to vs to powre*

will gather you into the midst of Ierusalem.

20 † As they gather siluer, and brasse, and yron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire vpon it, to melt it: so will I gather you in mine anger, and in my fury, and I will leaue you there, and melt you.

21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow vpon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

22 As siluer is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall yee be melted in the midst thereof, and ye shall know that I the LORD haue powred out my fury vpon you.

23 ¶ And the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

24 Sonne of man, say vnto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained vpon in the day of indignation.

25 There is a conspiracy of her Prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lyon ramening the pray: they haue deuoured soules: they haue taken the treasure and precious things: they haue made her many widowes in the midst thereof.

26 Her Priests haue † violated my Law and haue profaned mine holy things: they haue put no difference betweene the holy and prophane, neither haue they shewed *difference* betweene the vncleane and the cleane, and haue hid their eyes from my Sabbaths, and I am prophaned among them.

27 Her † Princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolues rauening the pray to shed blood: *and* to destroy soules to get dishonest gaine.

28 And her Prophets haue daubed them with vntempered *mortar*, seeing vanity, and diuining lies vnto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

29 The people of the land haue vsed † oppression, and exercised robbery, and haue vexed the poore and needy: yea, they haue oppressed the stranger † wrongfully.

30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make vp the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

31 Therefore haue I powred out mine indignation vpon them, I haue consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their owne way haue I recompensed vpon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 *The whoredoms of Aholah and Aholibah.* 22 *Aholibah is to bee plagued by her louers.* 36 *The Prophet reproueth the adulteries of them both,* 45 *and sheweth their iudgements.*

THE word of the LORD came againe vnto me, saying,

2 Sonne of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother:

3 And they committed whoredomes in Egypt, they committed whoredomes in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.

4 And the names of them *were* Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and they were mine, and they bare sonnes and daughters: thus *were* their names: Samaria *is* Aholah, & Ierusalem Aholibah.

5 And Aholah played the harlot when shee was mine, and she doted on her louers, on the Assyrians *her* neighbours,

6 Which were clothed with blue captaines and rulers: all of them desireable yong men, horsemen riding vpon horses.

7 Thus † she committed her whoredomes with them, with all them that were the † chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted, with all their idoles she defiled her selfe.

† *Hebr.* *the choice of the children of Assur.*

8 Neither left shee her whoredomes *brought* from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and powred their whoredome vpon her.

9 Wherefore I haue deliuered her into the hand of her louers, into the hand of the * Assyrians, vpon whom she doted.

* 2. Kings 17.18.

10 These discouered her nakednesse, they tooke her sonnes and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and shee became † famous among women, for they had executed iudgement vpon her.

† *Hebr.* *a name.*

11 And when her sister Aholibah saw *this*, shee † was more corrupt in her inordinate loue then shee, and in her whoredomes, † more then her sister in *her* whoredomes.

† *Hebr.* *shee corrupted her inordinate loue more then shee, &c.* † *more.*

12 She doted vpon the * Assyrians *her* neighbours, captaines and rulers, cloathed most gorgeously, horsemen riding vpon horses, all of them desireable young men.

her more dimate then her sister.

13 Then I saw that shee was defiled, that they tooke both one way,

14 And that she increased her whoredomes: for when she saw men pourtrayed vpon the wall, the images of † Caldeans pourtrayed with vermilion,

† *Hebr.* *the dimes of her sister.*

15 Girded with girdles vpon their loynes, exceeding in dyed attire vpon their heads, all *of* them Princes to looke to, after the manner of the Babylonians of Caldea, the land of their nativity:

* 2. Kings 16.7.

16 And † assoone as she saw them with her eyes, she doted vpon them, and sent messengers vnto them into Caldea.

† *Hebr.* *at the sight of her eyes.*

17 And the † Babylonians came to her into the bed of loue, and they defiled her with their whoredome, and shee was polluted with them, and her minde was † alienated from them.

† *Hebr.* *children of Babel.* † *Hebr.* *loosed, or disioynted.*

18 So she discouered her whoredomes, and discouered her nakednesse: then my minde was alienated from her, like as my minde was alienated from her sister.

19 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the dayes of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.

20 For she doted vpon their paramoures, whose flesh *is as* the flesh of asses, and whose issue *is like* the issue of horses.

21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdnesse of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians, for the paps of thy youth.

22 ¶ Therefore, O Aholibah, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will raise vp thy louers against thee, from whom thy minde is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on euery side:

23 The Babylonians, and all the Caldeans, Pekod, and Shoah, and Koa, all the Assyrians with them, all of them desireable yong men, captaines and rulers, great lords, and renowned, all of them riding vpon horses.

24 And they shall come against thee with chariots, waggons, and wheeles, and with an assembly of people, *which* shall set against thee buckler and shield, and helmet round about: and I will set iudgement before them, and they shall iudge thee according to their iudgements.

25 And I will set my iealousie against thee, and they shall deale furiously with thee: they shal take away thy nose and thine eares, and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sonnes and thy daughters, and thy residue shall bee deuoured by the fire.

† Hebr. instruments of thy vncleanesse.

26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy † faire iewels.

27 Thus will I make thy lewdnesse to cease from thee, and thy whoredome *brought* from the land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift vp thine eyes vnto them, nor remember Egypt any more.

28 For thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will deliuer thee into the hand *of them* whom thou hatest, into the hand *of them* from whom thy minde is alienated.

29 And they shall deale with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leaue thee naked and bare, and the nakednesse of thy whoredomes shall be discouered, both thy lewdnesse and thy whoredomes.

30 I will doe these things vnto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen, *and* because thou art polluted with their idoles.

31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister, therefore will I giue her cup into thine hand.

32 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Thou shalt drinke of thy sisters cup, deepe and large: thou shalt bee laughed to scorne, and had in derision, it containeth much.

33 Thou shalt bee filled with drunkennesse, and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment, and desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.

34 Thou shalt euen drinke it, and sucke it out, and thou shalt breake the sheards thereof, and plucke off thine owne breasts: for I haue spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

35 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Because thou hast forgotten mee, and cast me behinde thy backe, therefore beare thou also thy lewdnesse, and thy whoredomes.

36 ¶ The LORD said moreouer vnto me, Sonne of man, wilt thou * ‖ iudge Aholah, and Aholibah? yea, declare vnto them their abominations;

* Chap. 20.4. and 22.2.

‖ Or, plead *it* for.

37 That they haue committed adultery, & blood *is* in their hands; and with their idoles haue they committed adultery, and haue also caused their sonnes whom they bare vnto me, to passe for them thorow *the fire* to deuoure *them*.

38 Moreouer this they haue done vnto me: they haue defiled my Sanctuary in the same day, and haue profaned my Sabbaths.

39 For when they had slaine their children to their idoles, then they came the same day into my Sanctuary to prophane it, and loe * thus haue they done in the midst of mine house.

* 2. Kings 21.4.

† Hebr. comming.

40 And furthermore that yee haue sent for men † to come from farre, vnto whom a messenger was sent, and loe, they came for whom thou didst wash thy selfe, paintedst thine eyes, and deckedst thy selfe with ornaments,

† Hebr. honorable

41 And satest vpon a † stately bed, and a table prepared before it, * whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oyle.

* Pro. 7.17

† Heb. of the multitude of men.

42 And a voice of a multitude being at ease *was* with her, and with the men of the † common sort were brought ‖ Sabeans from the wildernes, which put bracelets vpon their hands, and beautifull crownes vpon their heads.

‖ Or, drunkards.

43 Then said I vnto her that was old in adulteries; Will they now commit † whoredomes with her, and she *with them*?

† Heb. her whoredomes.

44 Yet they went in vnto her, as they go in vnto a woman that playeth the harlot; so went they in vnto Aholah and vnto Aholibah, the lewd women.

* Chap. 16.38.

45 ¶ And the righteous men, they shall * iudge them after the manner of adulteresses, and after the manner of women that shed blood, because they are adulteresses, and blood *is* in their hands.

46 For thus saith the Lord GOD, I will bring vp a company vpon them, and will giue them to be remoued and spoiled.

47 And the company shall stone them with stones, and ‖ dispatch them with their swords: they shall slay their sonnes and their daughters, and burne vp their houses with fire.

‖ Or, slay.

48 Thus will I cause lewdnesse to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to doe after your lewdnesse.

49 And they shall recompense your lewdnesse vpon you, and ye shall beare the sinnes of your idols, and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXIIII.

1 Vnder the parable of a boyling pot 6 is shewed the irrecouable destruction of Ierusalem. 15 By the signe of Ezekiel, not mourning for the death of his wife, 19 is shewed the calamity of the Iewes to be beyond all sorrow.

AGaine, in the ninth yeere, in the tenth moneth, in the tenth *day* of the moneth, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

2 Sonne of man, write thee the name of the day, *euen* of this same day: the King of Babylon set himselfe against Ierusalem this same day.

3 And vtter a parable vnto the rebellious house, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Set on a pot, set *it* on, and also powre water into it.

4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, *euen* euery good piece, the thigh and the shoulder, fill it with the choice bones.

5 Take the choice of the flocke, and ‖ burne also the bones vnder it, *and* make it boyle well, and let him seethe the bones of it therein.

‖ Or, heape.

6 ¶ Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum *is* therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it, bring it out piece by piece, let no lot fall vpon it.

7 For her blood is in the midst of her: she set it vpon the top of a rocke, she powred it not vpon the ground, to couer it with dust:

8 That it might cause fury to come vp to take vengeance? I haue set her blood vpon the top of a rocke, that it should not be couered.

9 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, * Woe to the bloody city, I will euen make the pile for fire great.

* Nah. 3.1.

10 Heape on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and spice it well, and let the bones be burnt.

11 Then set it empty vpon the coales thereof, that the brasse of it may be hot and may burne, and that the filthinesse of it may be molten in it, that the scum of it may be consumed.

12 She hath wearied *her selfe* with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her scum *shall be* in the fire.

13 In thy filthinesse is lewdnesse, because I haue purged thee, and thou wast not purged, thou shalt not be purged from thy filthinesse any more, till I haue caused my fury to rest vpon thee.

14 I the LORD haue spoken *it*: it shall come to passe, and I will doe *it*, I will not goe backe, neither will I spare, neither will I repent, according to thy wayes, and according to thy doings shall they iudge thee, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ Also the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

16 Sonne of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourne nor weepe, neither shall thy teares † run downe.

† Hebr. goe downe.

17 † Forbeare

17 † For bare to cry, make no mourning for the dead, binde the tire of thine head vpon thee, and put on thy shooes vpon thy feet, and couer not thy † lips, and eat not the bread of men.

18 So I spake vnto the people in the morning, and at euen my wife died, and I did in the morning, I was commanded.

19 ¶ And the people said vnto me, Wilt thou not tell vs what these things *are* to vs, that thou doest so?

20 Then I answered them, The word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

21 Speake vnto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will prophane my Sanctuary, the excellency of your strength, the desire of your eies; and † that which your soule pitieth; and your sons and your daughters whom ye haue left, shall fall by the sword.

22 And ye shall doe as I haue done: ye shall not couer your lips, nor eat the bread of men.

23 And your tires *shall be* vpon your heads, and your shooes vpon your feet: ye shall not mourne nor weepe, but ye shall pine away for your iniquities, and mourne one towards another.

24 Thus Ezekiel is to you a signe: according to all that he hath done, shall ye doe: and when this commeth, ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

25 Also thou sonne of man, *shall it not be* in the day when I take from them their strength, the ioy of their glory, the desire of their eies, and † that whereupon they set their mindes, their sonnes and their daughters;

26 That he that escapeth in that day, shall come vnto thee to cause *thee* to heare it with *thine* eares?

27 In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speake, and be no more dumbe, and thou shalt be a signe vnto them, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXV.

1 *Gods vengeance for their insolencie against the Iewes, vpon the Ammonites,* 8 *vpon Moab and Seir.* 12 *vpon Edom,* 15 *and vpon the Philistines.*

THE word of the LORD came againe vnto me, saying,

2 Son of man, * set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesie against them,

3 And say vnto the Ammonites; Heare the word of the Lord GOD, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou saidst, Aha, against my Sanctuary, when it was prophaned, and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate, and against the house of Iudah, when they went into captiuitie;

4 Behold therefore, I will deliuer thee to the men of the East for a possession; and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eate thy fruit, and they shall drinke thy milke.

5 And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couching place for flockes: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

6 For thus saith the Lord GOD, Because thou hast clapped thine † hands, and stamped with the † feet, and reioyced in † heart, with all thy despight against the land of Israel:

7 Behold therefore, I will stretch out mine hand vpon thee, and will deliuer thee for a † spoile to the heathen, and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

8 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; * Because that Moab and Seir doe say, Behold the house of Iudah *is* like vnto all the heathen:

9 Therefore behold, I will open † the side of Moab from the cities, from his cities *which are* on his frontiers, the glory of the country Beth-iesimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim,

10 Vnto the men of the East, † with the Ammonites, and will giue them in possession, that the Ammonites may not be remembred among the nations.

11 And I will execute iudgements vpon Moab, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

12 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Iudah, † by taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and reuenged himselfe vpon them:

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, I will also stretch out mine hand vpon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it, and I will make it desolate from Teman, and ‖ they of Dedan shall fall by the sword.

14 And I will lay my vengeance vpon Edom, by the hand of my people Israel, and they shall doe in Edom according to mine anger, and according to my fury, and they shall know my vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, Because the Philistines haue dealt by reuenge, and haue taken vengeance with a despightfull heart to destroy it ‖ for the old hatred.

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will stretch out mine hand vpon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cerethims; and destroy the ‖ remnant of the Sea coast.

17 And I will execute great † vengeance vpon them with furious rebukes, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance vpon them.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 *Tyrus for insulting against Ierusalem is threatned.* 7 *The power of Nebuchadnezzar against her.* 15 *The mourning and astonishment of the Sea, at her fall.*

AND it came to passe in the eleuenth yeere, in the first *day* of the moneth, *that* the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

2 Son of man, Because that Tyrus hath said against Ierusalem, Aha, she is broken *that was* the gates of the people, she is turned vnto me, I shall be replenished, *now* she is laid waste:

3 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I *am* against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come vp against thee, as the Sea causeth his wawes to come vp.

4 And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and breake downe her towres: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rocke.

5 It shall be a place for the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea: for I haue spoken *it* saith the Lord GOD, and it shall become a spoile to the nations.

6 And her daughters which *are* in the field shall be slaine by the sword, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

7 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring vpon Tyrus, Nebuchad-rezzar, King of Babylon, a King of kings from the North, with horses, and with charets, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

8 Hee shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field, and he shall make a fort against thee, and ‖ cast a mount against thee, and lift vp the buckler against thee.

9 He shall set engines of warre against thy walls,

† Heb. shoulder of Moab.

† Heb. by reuenging reuenge-ments.

‖ Or, they shall fall

‖ Or, by the sword vnto Dedan.

‖ Or, with perpetual hatred.

‖ Or, bauen of the Sea.

† Heb. vengeances.

‖ Or, power and the engine of shot,

and with his axes he shal breake downe thy towers.

10 By reason of the abundance of his horses, their dust shall couer thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheeles, and of the charets, when he shall enter into thy gates, † as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

† Hebr. according to the turning of a city lo-ken vp.

11 With the hoofes of his horses shall he tre d downe all thy streets: he shall slay thy people by the sword, and thy strong garrisons shall goe downe to the ground.

12 And they shal make a spoile of thy riches, and make a pray of thy merchandise, and they shall breake downe thy walls, and destroy † thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the waters.

† Hebr. houses of thy desire

13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease, and the sound of thy harpes shall be no more heard.

*Isa. 24. 8 ier. 7. 34. & 16. 9.

14 And I will make thee like the top of a rocke: thou shalt be a place to spread nets vpon: thou shalt be built no more: for I the LORD haue spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD to Tyrus, Shall not the Iles shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?

16 Then all the Princes of the Sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their robes, and put off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselues with † trembling, they shall sit vpon the ground, and shal tremble at *every* moment, and be astonished at thee.

† Hebr. tremblings.

17 And they shal take vp a *lamentation for thee, and say to thee, How art thou destroyed that wast inhabited of † Sea-faring men, the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea, she & her inhabitants which cause their terror *to be* on all that haunt it?

*Reuel. 18. 9.

† Hebr. of the seas.

18 Now shall the Iles tremble in the day of thy fall, yea the Iles that *are* in the Sea shall be troubled at thy departure.

19 For thus saith the Lord GOD, When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited, when I shall bring vp the deep vpon thee, and great waters shall couer thee:

20 When I shal bring thee downe with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that goe downe to the pit, that thou be not inhabited, and I shall set glory in the land of the liuing:

† Hebr. terrours.

21 I will make thee a † terrour, and thou shalt be no *more*: though thou be sought for yet shalt thou neuer be found againe, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXVII.

1 The rich supply of Tyrus. 26 The great and vnrecouerable fall thereof.

THE word of the LORD came againe vnto mee, saying,

2 Now thou Son of man, take vp a lamentation for Tyrus;

† Hebr. perfect of beauty.

3 And say vnto Tyrus, O thou that art situate at the entry of the Sea, *which art* a merchant of the people for many Iles, Thus saith the Lord GOD, O Tyrus, thou hast said, I *am* † of perfect beauty.

† Hebr. built.

4 Thy borders *are* in the † midst of the Seas, thy builders haue perfected thy beauty.

‖ Or, they haue made hatches of trees of Senir: they haue taken Cedars from Lebanon well to make masts for thee.

5 They haue † made all thy *ship* boards of firre ‖ oares: the † company of the Assurites haue made thy benches of Yuory *brought* out of the Iles of Chittim.

† Hebr. they haue made thy bench of Yuory, the daughter.

6 Fine linen with broidered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be thy sail: ‖ blue and purple from the Iles of Elishah was that which couered thee.

7 The inhabitants of Zidon and Aruad were thy mariners: thy wise men, O Tyrus, *that* were in thee, were thy Pilots.

8 The ancients of Gebal, and the wise men thereof were in thee thy † calkers, all the ships of the sea, with their mariners were in thee, to occupy thy merchandize.

† Hebr. stoppers.

9 The ancients of Gebal, and the wise men thereof were in thee thy † calkers, all the ships of the sea, with their mariners were in thee, to occupy thy merchandize.

10 They of Persia and of Lud, and of Phut were in thine army, thy men of warre: they hanged the shield and helmet in thee: they set forth thy comelinesse.

11 The men of Arad with thine army were vpon thy walls round about, and the Gammadims were in thy towers: they hanged their shields vpon thy walls round about, they haue made thy beauty perfect.

12 Tarshish *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all *kinde of* riches: with siluer, iron, tinne, and lead, they traded in thy fayres.

13 Iauan, Tubal, and Meshech, they *were* thy merchants: they traded the persons of men, and vessels of brasse in thy ‖ market.

14 They of the house of Togarmah traded in thy fayres, with horses and horsemen, and mules.

15 The men of Dedan *were* thy merchants, many Iles *were* ‖ of merchandise of thine hand: they brought thee for a present homes of Yuory and Ebony.

16 Syria *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of the † *wares* of thy making: they occupied in thy fayres with Emeraulds, purple, and broidered worke, and fine linnen, and Coraill, and ‖ Agate.

† Hebr. the wares of thy worke.

17 Iudah and the land of Israel, they were thy merchants: they traded in thy market wheat of Minnith and Pannag, and hony, and oyle, and ‖ balme.

18 Damascus *was* thy merchant, in the multitude of the *wares* of thy making, for the multitude of all riches: in the wine of Helbon, and white wooll.

19 Dan also, and Iauan ‖ going to and fro occupied in thy fayres: bright iron, Casia, and calamus were in thy market.

20 Dedan *was* thy merchant in † precious clothes for charets.

† Hebr. clothes of couering.

21 Arabia, and all the Princes of Kedar † they occupied with thee in lambes, and rams, and goates: in these *were they* thy merchants.

22 The merchants of Sheba, and Raamah, they were thy merchants: they occupied in thy fayres with chiefe of all spices, and with all precious stones and gold.

23 Haran and Canneh and Eden the merchants of Sheba, Asshur, and Chilmad were thy merchants.

24 These *were* thy merchants in all ‖ sorts of things, in blue † clothes, and broidered work, and in chests of rich apparell, bound with cords, and made of Cedar among thy merchandise.

† Hebr. clothes of blue.

25 The ships of Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market, and thou wast replenished and made very glorious in the midst of the Seas.

26 ¶ Thy rowers haue brought thee into great waters: the East wind hath broken thee in the † midst of the Seas.

† Hebr. heart.

27 Thy * riches and thy fayres, thy merchandise, thy mariners, & thy pilots, thy calkers, and the occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy men of warre, that *are* in thee, ‖ and in all thy company which *is* in the midst of thee, shall fall into the † midst of the Seas in the day of thy ruine.

* Hebr. wealth.

† Hebr. heart.

28 The ‖ suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

29 And all that handle the oare, the mariners,

the P Lets of the sea shall come downe from
h their pashey shall stand vpon the land;
And shall cause their voice to be heard against
e, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast vp dust
on their heads, they shall wallow themselues in
sh es.
A And they shall make themselues vtterly bald
ther, and gird them with sackecloth, and they
all weepe for thee with bitternesse of heart, and
re wailings.
And in their wailing they shall take vp a la-
mentation for thee, and lament over thee, saying,
What city is like Tyrus, like the destroyed in the
midst of the Sea?
When thy wares went forth out of the Seas,
thou filledst many people, thou diddest enrich the
kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches
and of thy merchandise.
In the time when thou shalt be broken by the
Seas in the depths of the waters, thy merchandise
and all thy company in the midst of thee shall fall.
All the inhabitants of the Iles shall be asto-
nished at thee, and their kings shall be sore afraid,
they shall be troubled in their countenance.
The merchants among the people shall hisse
at thee, thou shalt be a † terrour, and † neuer shalt
be any more.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 *God's iudgement vpon the Prince of Tyrus for
his couetous pride.* 11 *A lamentation of his
glory corrupted by sinne.* 20 *The iudgement
of Zidon.* 24 *The restauration of Israel.*

The word of the LORD came againe vnto mee,
saying,
Sonne of man, say vnto the Prince of Tyrus,
Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart is
lifted vp, and thou hast said, I am a God, I sit in the
seat of God, in the † midst of the Seas; * yet thou
art a man and not God, though thou set thine heart
as the heart of God.
Behold, thou *art* wiser then Daniel; there is
no secret that they can hide from thee.
With thy wisedome, and with thine vnderstan-
ding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten
gold and siluer into thy treasures.
† By thy great wisedome, *and* by thy traffique,
hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is
lifted vp, *be cause* of thy riches.
Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because
thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;
Behold therefore, I will bring strangers vpon
thee, the terrible of the nations, and they shall draw
their swords, against the beauty of thy wisedome,
and they shall defile thy brightnesse.
They shall bring thee downe to the pit, and
thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slaine in
the midst of the Seas.
Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth
thee, I am God? but thou *shalt be* a man, and no
God, in the hand of him that † slayeth thee.
Thou shalt die the deaths of the vncircum-
cised by the hand of strangers: for I haue spoken
it, saith the Lord GOD.
¶ Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vn-
to me, saying:
Sonne of man, take vp a lamentation vpon the
king of Tyrus, and say vnto him, Thus saith the
Lord GOD; Thou sealest vp the iumme full of
wisedome, and perfect in beauty.
Thou hast beene in Eden the garden of God;
euery precious stone *was* thy couering, the † Sardi-
us, Topaz, and the Diamond, the † Beril, the Onix,
and the Iasper, the Saphir, the † Emeraud, and the
Carbuncle, and gold: the workemanship of thy ta-
brets, and of thy pipes was prepared in thee, in
the day that thou wast created. *Or, chery
bim.*
Thou art the anoynted Cherub that couereth:
and I haue set thee *so*; thou wast vpon the holy
mountaine of God, thou hast walked vp and down
in the midst of the stones of fire.
Thou *wast* perfect in thy wayes, from the day
that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in
thee.
By † multitude of thy merchandise they haue
filled the midst of thee with violence, & thou hast
sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of
the mountaine of God: & I will destroy thee, O co-
uering Cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.
Thine heart was lifted vp, because of thy
beauty, † hast corrupted thy wisdome, by reason of
thy brightnes: I will cast thee to the ground: I will
lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.
Thou hast defiled thy Sanctuaries by the mul-
titude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy
traffique: therefore will I bring forth a fire from
the midst of thee, it shall deuoure thee: and I will
bring thee to ashes vpon the earth, in the sight of
all them that behold thee.
All they that know thee among the people,
shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a † ter-
rour, and neuer *shalt* thou be any more. *†Hebr.
terrours.*
¶ Againe, the word of the LORD came vnto
me, saying,
Sonne of man, set thy face against Zidon, and
prophesie against it,
And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I
am against thee, O Zidon, and I will be glorified in
the midst of thee: and they shall know that I *am*
the LORD, when I shall haue executed iudgements
in her, and shall be sanctified in her.
For I will send into her, pestilence and blood
into her streets, and the wounded shall be iudged in
the midst of her, by the sword vpon her on euery
side: & they shall know that I *am* the LORD.
¶ And there shall be no more a pricking briar
vnto the house of Israel, nor *any* grieuing thorne
of all that *are* round about them that despited them,
and they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.
Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall haue
gathered the house of Israel from the people a-
mong whom they are scattered, and shall be sanc-
tified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall
they dwell in their land, that I haue giuen to my
seruant Iacob. *Or, with
confi-
dence.*
And they shall dwell safely therein, and
shall build houses, and plant vineyards: yea, they
shall dwell with confidence, when I haue executed
iudgements vpon all those that † despite them
round about them: and they shall know that I *am*
the Lord their GOD. *†Or, spoile*

CHAP. XXIX.

1 *The iudgement of Pharaoh, for his trechery
to Israel.* 8 *The desolation of Egypt.* 13 *The restau-
ration thereof after fourty yeares.* 17 *Egypt the
reward of Nebuchadnezzar.* 21 *Israel shall bee
restored.*

IN the tenth yeere in the tenth *moneth*, in the
twelfth *day* of the moneth the word of the LORD
came vnto me, saying,
Sonne of man, set thy face against Pharaoh
King of Egypt, and prophesie against him, and a-
gainst all Egypt.
Speake and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD: Be-
hold, I *am* against thee, Pharaoh King of Egypt,

*Psal.74. 13,14. Isa. 27.1.& 51 9.

the great * dragon that lyeth in the middest of his riuers, which hath said, my riuer is mine owne, and I haue made it for my selfe.

4 But I will put hookes in thy chawes, and I will cause the fish of thy riuers to sticke vnto thy scales, and I will bring thee vp out of the middest of thy riuers, and all the fish of thy riuers shall sticke vnto thy scales.

5 And I will leaue thee *throwne* into the wildernesse, thee and all the fish of thy riuers: thou shalt fall vpon the †open fields, thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I haue giuen thee for meat to the beasts of the field, and to the fowles of the heauen.

† Heb. face of the field.

6 And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I *am* the LORD, because they haue beene a * staffe of reed to the house of Israel.

*2. Kings 18.21. Isa.36.6.

7 When they tooke hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst breake, and rent all their shoulder: and when they leaned vpon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loynes to be at a stand.

8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold I will bring a sword vpon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee.

9 And the land of Egypt shalbe desolate & waste, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD: because he hath said, The riuer is mine, and I haue made it.

10 Behold therefore, I *am* against thee and against thy riuers, and I will make the land of Egypt †vtterly waste and desolate, from the towre of Syene, euen vnto the border of Ethiopia.

† Heb. wastes of waste.

11 No foot of man shall passe thorow it, nor foot of beast shall passe thorow it, neither shall it be inhabited fourty yeeres.

† Hebr. Seuenth.

12 And I will make the land of Egypt desolate, in the midst of the countries that are desolate, and her cities among the cities that are laid waste, shal be desolate fourty yeeres: and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

*Isa.19. 23.ier. 46.26.

13 ¶ Yet thus saith the Lord GOD, At the * end of fourte yeeres will I gather the Egyptians from the people whither they were scattered.

14 And I will bring againe the captiuity of Egypt, and will cause them to returne into the land of Pathros, into the land of their ‖ habitation, and they shalbe there, a †base kingdome.

‖ Or, birth. † Hebr. low.

15 It shalbe the baseſt of the kingdomes, neither shall it exalt it selfe any more aboue the nations: for I will diminish them that they shall no more rule ouer the nations.

16 And it shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, which bringeth *their* iniquity to remembrance when they shall looke after them: but they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

17 ¶ And it came to passe in the seuen and twentieth yeere, in the first *moneth*, in the first *day* of the moneth, the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

18 Sonne of man, Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon caused his army to serue a great seruice against Tyrus: euery head was made bald, and euery shoulder was peeled: yet had hee no wages, nor his army for Tyrus, for the seruice that hee had serued against it.

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will giue the land of Egypt vnto Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon, and hee shall take her multitude and † take her spoyle, and take her prey, and it shalbe the wages for his army.

† Hebr. spoyle her spoyle, and prey her prey.

20 I haue giuen him the land of Egypt ‖ for his labour, wherewith he serued against it, because they wrought for me, saith the Lord GOD.

‖ Or, for his hire.

21 ¶ In that day will I cause the horne of the house of Israel to bud forth, and I will giue thee the opening of the mouth in the midst of them, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXX.

1 The desolation of Egypt, and her helpers. *The armes of Babylon shall be strengthened to breake the armes of Egypt.*

THE word of the LORD came againe vnto me, saying,

2 Sonne of man, prophesie and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Howle ye, woe worth the day.

3 For the day *is* neere, euen the day of the LORD *is* neere, a cloudy day: it shall be the time of the heathen.

4 And the sword shall come vpon Egypt, and great ‖ paine shall be in Ethiopia, when the slaine shal fall in Egypt, and they shal take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken downe.

5 Ethiopia and †Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the † men of the land that is in league, shal fall with them by the sword.

† Hebr. Libya of the couenant.

6 Thus saith the LORD, They also that vpheld Egypt shall fall, and the pride of her power shall come downe; from the towre of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

7 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countreys that are desolate, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities that are wasted.

8 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I haue set a fire in Egypt, and *when* all her helpers shall bee † destroyed.

† Hebr. broken.

9 In that day shall messengers goe forth from me in shippes, to make the careleſse Ethiopians afraid, and great paine shall come vpon them, as in the day of Egypt: for loe it commeth.

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD, I will also make the multitude of Egypt, to cease by the hand of Nebuchad-rezzar King of Babylon.

11 He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slaine.

12 And I will make the riuers † dry, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked, and I will make the land waste, and † all that is therein by the hand of strangers: I the LORD haue spoken *it*.

† Hebr. drinke vp. † Hebr. the fulnesse thereof.

13 Thus saith the Lord GOD, I will also * destroy the idoles, and I will cause *their* images to cease out of Noph; and there shall bee no more Prince of the land of Egypt, and I will put a feare in the land of Egypt.

14 And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set fire in ‖ Zoan, and will execute iudgements in No.

15 And I will powre my fury vpon ‖ Sin, the strength of Egypt, and I will cut off the multitude of No.

16 And I will set fire in Egypt, Sin shall haue great paine, and No shall bee rent asunder, and Noph shall haue distresses daily.

17 The young men of ‖ Auen, and of ‖ Phibeseth shall fall by the sword: and these cities shall go into captiuitie.

18 At Tehaphnehes also the day shall be ‖ darkned, when I shall breake there the yokes of Egypt: and the pompe of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall couer her, and her daughters shall goe into captiuitie.

19 Thus will I execute iudgements in Egypt, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

20 ¶ And it came to passe in the eleuenth yeere, in the first *moneth*, in the seuenth *day* of the moneth,

the Word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,
Sonne of man, I haue broken the arme of Pha-
h King of Egipt, and loe, it shall not be bound
to be healed, to put a roller to binde it, to
ke it strong to hold the sword.
Therefor thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I
gainst Pharaoh king of Egypt & will breake
armes the strong, and that which was broken;
I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.
And I will scatter the Egyptians among the
ions, and will disperse them through the coun-
es.
And I will strengthen the armes of the king
Babylon, & put my sword in his hand: but I will
ke Pharaohs armes, and he shall groane before
m with the groanings of a deadly wounded man
But I will strengthen the armes of the King
Babylon, and the armes of Pharaoh shall fall
wn, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD,
I shall put my sword into the hand of the
g of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out vpon
land of Egypt.
And I will scatter the Egyptians among the
ions, and disperse them among the countreyes,
they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXI.

An vision vnto Pharaoh, 3 of the glory of Syria. 10 and the fall thereof for pride. 18 The destruction of Egypt.

Nd it came to passe in the eleuenth yeere, in
the third *moneth*, in the first *day* of the mo-
, *that* the word of the LORD came vnto mee,
ng;
Sonne of man, speake vnto Pharaoh King of
pt, and to his multitude, Whom art thou like
greatnesse?
¶ Behold, the Assyrian *was* a Cedar in Leba-
with faire branches, and with a shadowing
ood, and of an high stature, and his top was a-
g the thicke boughes.
The waters ‖ made him great, the deepe ‖ set
vp on high, with her riuers running round a-
t his plants, and sent out her † little riuers vnto
the trees of the field.
Therefore his height was exalted aboue all
trees of the field, and his boughes were multi-
ied, and his branches became long, because of the
ultitude of waters, ‖ when he shot foorth.
All the *foules of heauen made their nests
his boughes, and vnder his branches did all the
asts of the field bring foorth their young, and
r his shadow dwele all great nations.
Thus was he faire in his greatnesse, in the length
his branches: for his root was by great waters.
The Cedars in the * garden of God could not
dim: the fir trees were not like his boughes,
the chesnut trees were not like his branches:
y tree in the garden of God was like vnto
m in his beauty.
I haue made him faire by the multitude of his
anches: so that all the trees of Eden, that *were*
the garden of God enuied him.
¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Be-
use thou hast lifted vp thy selfe in height, and he
hath shot vp his top among the thicke boughes,
his heart is lifted vp in his height;
I haue therefore deliuered him into the hand
the mighty one of the heathen: he shall surely
al with him, I haue driuen him out for his
ickednesse.
And strangers, the terrible of the nations haue
t him, and haue left him: vpon the mountaines
and in all the valleyes his branches are fallen, and
his boughes are broken by all the riuers of the
land, and all the people of the earth are gone down
from his shadow, and haue left him.
13 Vpon his ruine shall all the foules of the
heauen remaine, and all the beasts of the field shall
be vpon his branches.
14 To the end that none of all the trees by the
waters exalt themselues for their height, neither
shoot vp their top among ‖ thick boughes, neither
‖ their trees stand vp in their height, all that drink
water: for they are all deliuered vnto death, to the
nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the chil-
dren of men, with them that goe downe to the pit.
15 Thus saith the Lord GOD, In the day when he
went down to the graue, I caused a mourning, I co-
uered the deepe for him, and I restrained the floods
thereof, and the great waters were stayed; and I
caused Lebanon † to mourne for him, and all the
trees of the field fainted for him.
16 I made the nations to shake at ‖ sound of his
fall, when I cast him downe to hell with them that
descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the
choice and best of Lebanon, all that drinke water
shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.
17 They also went downe into hell with him, vn-
to them that be slaine with the sword, and *they that
were* his arme, *that* dwelt vnder his shadow in the
midst of the heathen.
18 ¶ To whom art thou thus like in glory and
in greatnesse among the trees of Eden? yet shalt
thou bee brought downe with the trees of Eden
vnto the nether parts of the earth: thou shalt lie
in the middest of the vncircumcised, with them
that bee slaine by the sword: this *is* Pharaoh and
all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXII.

A lamentation for the fearefull fall of Egypt. 11 The sword of Babylon shall destroy it. 17 It shall be brought downe to hell among all the vncircumcised nations.

ANd it came to passe in the *twelfth yeere, in the
twelfth moneth, in the first *day* of the moneth,
that the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying;
2 Sonne of man, take vp a lamentation for Pha-
raoh King of Egypt, and say vnto him; Thou art
like a young lyon of the nations, and thou *art* as a
‖ Whale in the Seas: and thou camest foorth with
thy riuers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet,
and fouledst their riuers.
3 Thus saith the Lord GOD, I will therefore
* spread out my net ouer thee, with a company of
many people, & they shall bring thee vp in my net.
4 Then will I leaue thee vpon the land, I will
cast thee forth vpon the open field, & will cause all
the foules of the heauen to remaine vpon thee, and
I will fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee.
5 And I will lay thy flesh vpon the mountaines,
and fill the valleys with thy height.
6 I will also water with thy blood ‖ the land
wherein thou swimmest, *euen* to the mountaines, and
the riuers shall be full of thee.
7 And when I shall ‖ * put thee out, I will co-
uer the heauen, and make the starres thereof darke:
I will couer the Sunne with a cloud, and the Moone
shall not giue her light.
8 All the † bright lights of heauen will I make
† darke ouer thee, and set darkenes vpon thy land,
saith the Lord GOD.
9 I will also † vexe the hearts of many people,
when I shall bring thy destruction among the nati-
ons, into the countryes which thou hast not knowne.

*Or, stand vp.
Or, beside them.
Or, height.
Heb. to bee
Or, blacke.
Chap. 31.
Or, like
Or, ex-
tinguish.
Isa. 13.
10. Ioel 2.
31. & 3. 15
matth.
24. 29.
Or, lights of
the light
in heauen.
Heb. shal
darke.
Heb.
prouoke
to anger
or grieue

10 Yea, I will make many people amazed at thee, and their Kings ſhall be horribly afraid for thee, when I ſhall brandiſh my ſword before them; and they ſhall tremble at *every* moment; every man for his owne life in the day of thy fall.

11 ¶ For thus ſaith the Lord GOD, The ſword of the King of Babylon ſhall come upon thee.

12 By the ſwords of the mighty will I cauſe thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations all of them: and they ſhall ſpoile the pompe of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof ſhall be deſtroyed.

13 I will deſtroy alſo all the beaſts thereof from beſides the great waters, neither ſhall the foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofes of beaſts trouble them.

14 Then will I make their waters deep, and cauſe their riuers to runne like oyle, ſaith the Lord GOD.

15 When I ſhall make the land of Egypt deſolate, and the country ſhalbe †deſtitute of that whereof it was full; when I ſhall ſmite all them that dwell therein, then ſhall they know that I *am* the LORD.

† Hebr. deſolate from the fulneſſe thereof.

16 This *is* the lamentation wherewith they ſhall lament her: the daughters of the nations ſhall lament her: they ſhall lament for her, *even* for Egypt, and for all her multitude, ſaith the Lord GOD.

17 ¶ It came to paſſe alſo in the twelfth yeere, in the fifteenth *day* of the moneth, *that* the word of the LORD came vnto me, ſaying;

18 Sonne of man, waile for the multitude of Egypt, and caſt them downe, *even* her and the daughters of the famous nations, vnto the nether parts of the earth, with them that goe down into the pit.

19 Whom doeſt thou paſſe in beauty? go downe, and be thou laid with the vncircumciſed.

20 They ſhall fall in the midſt of them that are ſlaine by the ſword: ſhe is deliuered to the ſword; draw her and all her multitudes.

‖ Or, The ſword is Laid.

21 The ſtrong among the mighty, ſhall ſpeake to him out of the midſt of hell, with them that helpe him: they are gone downe, they lie vncircumciſed, ſlaine by the ſword.

22 Aſſur *is* there, and all her company: his graues *are* about him: all of them ſlaine, fallen by the ſword.

23 Whoſe graues are ſet in the ſides of the pit, and her company is round about her graue: all of them ſlaine, fallen by the ſword, which cauſed ‖ terrour in the land of the liuing.

‖ Or, diſmaying.

24 There *is* Elam and all her multitude round about her grau, all of them ſlaine, fallen by the ſword, which are gone downe vncircumciſed, into the nether parts of the earth, which cauſed their terror in the land of the liuing, yet haue they borne their ſhame with them that goe downe to the pit.

25 They haue ſet her a bed in the middeſt of the ſlaine, with all her multitudes: her graues *are* round about him, all of them vncircumciſed, ſlaine by the ſword: though their terrour was cauſed in the land of the liuing: yet haue they borne their ſhame with them that goe downe to the pit: he is put in the midſt of them that be ſlaine.

26 There *is* Meſhech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her graues *are* round about him: all of them vncircumciſed, ſlaine by the ſword, though they cauſed their terrour in the land of the liuing.

27 And they ſhal not lie with the mighty *that are* fallen of the vncircumciſed, which are gone downe to hell † with their weapons of war: and they haue laid their ſwords vnder their heads, but their iniquities ſhall be vpon their bones, though *they were* the terrour of the mighty in the land of the liuing.

† Hebr. with weapons of their warre.

28 Yea, thou ſhalt be broken in the midſt of the vncircumciſed, and ſhalt lie with them that are ſlaine with the ſword.

29 There *is* Edom her kings and all her Princes, which with their might are † laid by them that are ſlaine by the ſword: they ſhall lie with the vncircumciſed, and with them that goe downe to the pit.

30 There *be* the Princes of the North all of them, and all the Zidonians: which are gone downe with the ſlaine with their terrour, they are aſhamed of their might, and they lie vncircumciſed with them that bee ſlaine by the ſword, and bear their ſhame with them that goe downe to the pit.

31 Pharaoh ſhall ſee them, and ſhalbe comforted ouer all his multitude, *even* Pharaoh and all his army ſlaine by the ſword, ſaith the Lord GOD.

32 For I haue cauſed my terrour in the land of the liuing: and he ſhall be laid in the midſt of the vncircumciſed, with them that are ſlaine with the ſword, *even* Pharaoh and all his multitude, ſaith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 *According to the duty of a watchman warning the people.* 7 *He lamenteth the ſinfull.* 10 *They complaine that they cannot liue.* 12 *God ſheweth the iuſtice of his wayes, both in his penſions and towards ſinners.* 17 *He maintaineth his iuſtice.* 21 *Vpon the newes of the taking of Ieruſalem, he propheſieth the deſolation of the land. Gods iudgements vpon the mother of the Prophets.*

AGaine the word of the LORD came vnto me, ſaying,

2 Sonne of man, ſpeake to the children of thy people, and ſay vnto them, † When I bring the ſword vpon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coaſts, and ſet him for their watchman:

3 If when hee ſeeth the ſword come vpon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warne the people:

4 Then whoſoeuer heareth the ſound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning, if the ſword come and take him away, his blood ſhall be vpon his owne head.

5 He heard the ſound of the trumpet, and tooke not warning, his blood ſhall be vpon him: but he that taketh warning ſhall deliuer his ſoule.

6 But if the watchman ſee the ſword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people bee not warned: if the ſword come and take any perſon from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity: but his blood will I require at the watchmans hand.

7 ¶ ‖So *thou* O ſonne of man, I haue ſet thee a watchman vnto the houſe of Iſrael: therefore *thou* ſhalt heare the word at my mouth, and warne them from me.

‖ Or, So haue I ſet thee.

8 When I ſay vnto the wicked, O wicked man, thou ſhalt ſurely die, if thou doeſt not ſpeake to warne the wicked from his way, that wicked man ſhall die in his iniquity: but his blood will I require at thine hand.

9 Neuertheleſſe, if thou warne the wicked of his way to turne from it; if he doe not turne from his way, he ſhall die in his iniquity: but thou haſt deliuered thy ſoule.

10 Therefore, O thou ſonne of man, ſpeake vnto the houſe of Iſrael, Thus ye ſpeake, ſaying, If our tranſgreſſions and our ſins *be* vpon vs, and we pine away in them, how ſhould we then liue?

11 Say vnto them, As I liue, ſaith the Lord GOD, I haue no pleaſure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turne from his way and liue: turne ye, turne ye from your euill waies; for why will ye die, O houſe of Iſrael?

12 Therefore thou ſonne of man, ſay vnto the children of thy people, The ‖ righteouſneſſe of the righteous ſhall not deliuer him in † the day of his tranſgreſſion: as for the wickedneſſe of the wicked, he ſhall not

by in the day that he turneth from his wick-
s, neither shall the righteous be able to liue
his *righteousnesse* in the day that he sinneth.
When I shall say to the righteous, that he
surely liue, if he trust to his owne righteous-
, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses
not be remembred; but for his iniquity that
committed, he shall die for it.
Againe, when I say vnto the wicked, Thou
surely die; if he turne from his sinne, and doe
which is † lawfull and right:
If the wicked restore the pledge, giue againe
he had robbed, walke in the Statutes of life,
not committing iniquity, he shall surely liue,
shall not die.
None of his sins that he hath committed, shall
remembred vnto him: he hath done that which
lawfull and right, he shall surely liue.
¶ Yet the children of thy people say, The way
the Lord is not equall: but as for them, their
y is not equall.
When the righteous turneth from his righte-
sse, and committeth iniquity, he shall euen die
reby.
But if the wicked turne from his wickednesse,
d doe that which is lawfull and right, he shall
erby.
¶ Yet ye say, * the way of the Lord is not e-
all. O ye house of Israel; I will iudge you euery
e after his wayes.
¶ And it came to passe in the twelfth yeere of
captiuity, in the tenth *moneth*, in the fifth *day* of
e moneth, *that* one that had escaped out of Ieru-
lem came vnto me, saying, * The city is smitten.
Now the hand of the LORD was vpon me in the
ening, afore he that was escaped came, and had
ened my mouth, vntill he came to me in the mor-
ng, and my mouth was opened, and I was no more
mute.
Then the word of the LORD came vnto me,
ying,
Sonne of man, they that inhabite those wastes
the land of Israel, speake, saying, Abraham was
e, and he inherited the land: but we *are* many,
nd is giuen vs for inheritance.
Wherefore say vnto them, Thus saith the
rd GOD, Ye eat with the blood, and lift vp your
es toward your idoles, and shed blood; and shall
ye possesse the land?
Ye stand vpon your sword, ye worke abomina-
ons, and ye defile euery one his neighbours wife,
d shall ye possesse the land?
Say thou thus vnto them, Thus saith the Lord
D, As I liue, surely they that are in the wastes
all fall by the sword, and him that is in the open
ld, will I giue to the beasts † to be deuoured:
d they that be in the forts, and in the caues, shall
e of the pestilence.
For I will lay the land † most desolate, and
e pompe of her strength shall cease: and the
untaines of Israel shall be desolate, that none
all passe thorow.
Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD,
en I haue laid the land most desolate, because of
their abominations which they haue committed.
¶ Also thou sonne of man, the children of thy
ople still are talking against thee by the walles,
d in the doores of the houses, and speake one to
other, euery one to his brother, saying, Come, I
ay you, and heare what is the word that commeth
th from the LORD.
And they come vnto thee, † as the people com-
meth, and they † sit before thee, *as* my people, and
they heare thy words, but they will not doe them:
for with their mouth † they shew much loue, *but*
their heart goeth after their couetousnesse.
And loe, thou *art* vnto them as † a very louely
song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can
play well on an instrument: for they heare thy
words, but they doe them not.
And when this commeth to passe, (Loe it will
come) then shall they know that a Prophet hath
been among them.

Or, my people sit before thee.

† *Hebr.* they make loues or iests.

† *Hebr.* a song of loues.

CHAP. XXXIIII.

A reproofe of the shepheards. 7 Gods iudgement against them. 11 His prouidence for his flocke. 20 The kingdome of Christ.

AND the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,
Son of man prophesie against the * shepherds of Israel, prophesie and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD vnto the shepherds, Woe *be* to the shepherds of Israel, that do feed themselues: should not the shepherds feed the flockes?
Yee eat the fat, and yee clothe you with the woolle: ye kill them that are fed: *but* ye feed not the flocke:
The diseased haue ye not strengthened, neither haue ye healed that which was sicke, neither haue ye bound vp that which was broken, neither haue ye brought againe that which was driuen away, neither haue ye sought that which was lost; but with force, and with cruelty haue ye ruled them.
And they were scattered † because *there is* no shepheard: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field when they were scattered.
My sheep wandred thorow all the mountaines, and vpon euery high hill: yea, my flocke was scattered vpon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seeke *after them*.
¶ Therefore ye shepherds, heare the word of the LORD.
As I liue, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flocke became a prey, and my flocke became meat to euery beast of the field, because *there was* no shepherd, neither did my shepheards search for my flocke, but the shepheards fed themselues, and fed not my flocke:
Therefore, O ye shepheards, heare the word of the LORD.
Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I *am* against the shepherds, and I will require my flocke at their hand, & cause them to cease from feeding the flocke, neither shall the shepheards feed themselues any more: for I will deliuer my flocke from their mouth that they may not be meat for them.
¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I, *euen* I will both search my sheep and seeke them out.
As a shepheard seeketh out his flocke in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered: so will I seeke out my sheep, and will deliuer them out of all places, where they haue been scattered in the cloudy and darke day.
And I will bring them out from the people and gather them from the countryes, and will bring them to their owne land, and feed them vpon the mountaines of Israel by the riuers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.
I will feed them in a good pasture, and vpon the high mountaines of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed vpon the mountaines of Israel.
I will feed my flocke, and I will cause them to lie downe, saith the Lord GOD.

Or, my people sit before thee.

† *Hebr.* with their mouth.

Ierem. 23.1.

† *Hebr.* according to the sicknes.

1. Pet. 5.3.

Or, without a shepherd, & so. v. 8

16 I will seeke that which was lost, and bring a-
gaine that which was driuen away, and will binde
vp that which was broken, and will strengthen that
which was sicke: but I will destroy the fat, and the
strong as I will feed them with iudgement.

17 And as for you, O my flocke, Thus saith the
Lord GOD, Behold, I iudge betweene † cattell and
cattell, betweene the rams and the † he goats.

18 Seemeth it a small thing vnto you to haue
eaten vp the good pasture, but ye must tread downe
with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to
haue dronke of the deep waters, but yee must foule
the residue with your feet?

19 And as for my flocke, they eat that which ye
haue troden with your feet: and they drinke that
which ye haue fouled with your feet.

20 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD vnto
them, Behold, I, *euen* I will iudge betweene the fat
cattell, and betweene the leane cattell.

21 Because ye haue thrust with side and with
shoulder, and pusht all the diseased with your
hornes, till ye haue scattered them abroad:

22 Therefore will I saue my flocke, and they shall
no more be a prey, and I will iudge betweene cat-
tell and cattell.

23 And I will set vp one * Shepherd ouer them,
and he shall feed them, *euen* my seruant Dauid; he
shall feed them, and he shall be their Shepherd.

24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my
seruant Dauid a Prince among them, I the LORD
haue spoken *it*.

25 And I will make with them a couenant of
peace, and I will cause the euill beasts to cease out
of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wil-
dernesse, and sleepe in the woods.

26 And I will make them, and the places round
about my hill, a blessing; and I will cause the
shower to come downe in his season: there shalbe
showers of blessing.

27 And the tree of the field shall yeeld her fruit,
and the earth shall yeeld her increase, and they shal
be safe in their land, and shall know that I *am* the
LORD, when I haue broken the bands of their
yoke, and deliuered them out of the hand of those
that serued themselues of them.

28 And they shall no more be a prey to the hea-
then; neither shall the beasts of the land deuoure
them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall
make *them* afraid.

29 And I will raise vp for them a * plant ‖ of re-
nowne, and they shall be no more † consumed with
hunger in the land, neither beare the shame of the
heathen any more.

30 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their
God *am* with them, and that they, *euen* the house of
Israel, *are* my people, saith the Lord GOD.

31 And ye my * flocke of my pasture *are* men, *and*
I *am* your God, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXV.

The iudgement of mount Seir for hating Israel.

MOreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto
me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against mount Seir,
and prophesie against it,

3 And say vnto it, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Be-
hold, O mount Seir, I *am* against thee, and I will
stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make
thee † most desolate.

4 I will laythy cities waste, and thou shalt be
desolate, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

5 Because thou hast had an perpetuall hatred, and
hast † shed the *blood* of the children of Israel, by
the † force of the sword, in the time of their
mitte, in the time that *their* iniquity had an

6 Therefore as I liue, saith the Lord GOD, I
prepare thee vnto blood, and blood shall pu
thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even
shall pursue thee.

7 Thus will I make mount Seir † vtterly deso
and cut off from it him that passeth out, and
that returneth.

8 And I will fill his mountaines with his
men: in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in a
riuers shall they fall that are slaine with the

9 I will make thee perpetuall desolations
thy cities shall not returne, and ye shall know
I *am* the LORD.

10 Because thou hast said, These two nations
these two countreys shalbe mine, and we will
sesse it, ‖ whereas the LORD was there:

11 Therefore, as I liue, saith the Lord GOD,
euen d e according to thine anger, and
to thine enuy, which thou hast vsed out of
tred against them: and I will make my selfe k
amongst them, when I haue iudged thee.

12 And thou shalt know that I am the LORD,
that I haue heard all thy blasphemies, which
hast spoken against the mountaines of Israel
They are laid desolate, they are giuen to co

13 Thus with your mouth ye haue † boaste
gainst me, and haue multiplied your words a
me: I haue heard *them*.

14 Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the
earth reioyceth, I will make thee desolate.

15 As thou didst reioyce at the inheritan
the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so
I doe vnto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O
Seir, and all Idumea, *euen* all of it; and they
know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 *The land of Israel is comforted. Iudgement is
stion of the heathen who spitefully vsed it. 8
the blessings of God promised vnto it. 16
was reiected for their sin. 21 and shall be re
without their deserts. 25 The blessings of
Kingdome.*

ALso thou sonne of man, prophesie vnto
mountaines of Israel, and say, Ye mountai
of Israel, heare the word of the LORD.

2 Thus saith the Lord GOD, * Because the e
had said against you, Aha, euen the ancient
places are ours in possession:

3 Therefore prophesie, and say, Thus saith the
Lord GOD, † Because they haue made you des
and swallowed you vp on euery side, that ye
be a possession vnto the residue of the heathen,
‖ ye are taken vp in the lips of talkers, and e
infamy of the people:

4 Therefore ye mountaines of Israel, hear
word of the Lord GOD, Thus saith the Lord
to the mountaines, and to the hills, to the ri
and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, a
the cities that are forsaken, which became a
and derision to the residue of the heathen th
round about:

5 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, S
in the fire of my iealousie haue I spoken against
residue of the heathen, and against all Id
which haue appointed my land into their po
on, with the ioy of all *their* heart, with disp
minde to cast it out for a prey.

6 Prophesie therefore concerning the land
rael, and say vnto the mountaines, and to the hi
the riuers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the

† Hebr. small cattell of lambes and kids † Hebr. great he goats.

* Ma.4.6. Reuelat. 21. Iohn 10.11. &c

* Isa.11.1. Ier.23.5. ‖ Or, for renowne. † Hebr. taken away. * Iohn 10.11.

† Hebr. desolation and desolation. ‖ Or, hated of old. † Hebr. powred out the children.

Behold I haue ſpoken in my iealouſie, and
y, becauſe ye haue borne the ſhame of the

erefore thus ſaith the Lord GOD, I haue lif-
ine hand, Surely the heathen that *are* about
ſhall beare their ſhame.
ut ye O mountaines of Iſrael, ye ſhal ſhoot
our branches, and yeeld your fruit to my
f Iſrael, for they are at hand to come.
behold, I *am* for you, and I will turne vnto
ye ſhall be tilled and ſowne.
nd I will multiply men vpon you, all the
Iſrael, *euen* all of it, and the cities ſhall be
, and the waſtes ſhall be builded.
nd I will multiply vpon you man and beaſt,
ſhall increaſe, and bring fruit, and I will
e after your old eſtates: and will doe bet-
you then at your beginnings, and ye ſhall
that I *am* the LORD.
, I will cauſe men to walke vpon you, *euen*
le Iſrael, and they ſhall poſſeſſe thee, and
ſh be their inheritance, and thou ſhalt no
ur forth bereaue them *of men*.
us ſaith the Lord GOD, Becauſe they ſay
, Thou *land* deuoureſt vp men, and haſt be-
thy nations,
erefore thou ſhalt deuoure men no more,
ſt bereaue thy nations any more, ſaith the
.
either will I cauſe men to heare in thee the
of the heathen any more, neither ſhalt thou
reproach of the people any more, neither
ou cauſe the nations to fall any more, ſaith
d GOD.
Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vn-
ying.
on of man, when the houſe of Iſrael dwelt
owne land, they defiled it by their owne
d by their doings: their way was before me,
e vncleanneſſe of a removed woman.
Wherefore I powred my fury vpon them, for
d that they had ſhed vpon the land, and for
dols *wherewith* they had polluted it.
nd I ſcattered them among the heathen, and
e diſperſed thorow the countreys: according
their way, and according to their doings I
them.
nd when they entered vnto the heathen, whi-
y went, they * profaned my holy Name,
ey ſaid to them, Theſe *are* the people of the
and are gone forth out of his land.
But I had pitty for mine holy Name, which
ſe of Iſrael had profaned among the hea-
ther they went.
erefore ſay vnto the houſe of Iſrael, Thus
Lord GOD, I doe not *this* for your ſakes,
Iſrael, but for mine holy Names ſake,
e haue profaned among the heathen whi-
ent.
nd I will ſanctifie my great Name, which
faned among the heathen, which ye haue
in the midſt of them, and the heathen
ow that I *am* the LORD, ſaith the Lord
n I ſhall be ſanctified in you before their

or I will take you from among the heathen,
ther you out of all countreys, and will bring
your owne land.
Then will I ſprinkle cleane water vpon
ye ſhall be cleane: from all your filthines,
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ſpirit will I put within you, and I will take away the ſtony heart out of your fleſh, and I will giue you an heart of fleſh.

27 And I will put my * Spirit within you, and cauſe you to walke in my Statutes, and ye ſhall keep my Iudgements and doe them. * Chap. 11.19.

28 And ye ſhall dwell in the land that I gaue to your fathers, and ye ſhall be my people, and I will be your God.

29 I will alſo ſaue you from all your vncleanneſſes, and I will call for the corne, and will increaſe it, and lay no famine vpon you.

30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increaſe of the field, that ye ſhall receiue no more reproach of famine among the heathen.

31 Then ſhall yee remember your owne euill wayes, and your doings that *were* not good, and ſhall loathe your ſelues in your owne ſight for your iniquities, and for your abominations.

32 Not for your ſakes doe I this, ſaith the Lord GOD, be it knowne vnto you: be aſhamed and confounded for your owne wayes, O houſe of Iſrael.

33 Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, In the day that I ſhall haue cleanſed you from all your iniquities, I will alſo cauſe you to dwell in the cities, and the waſtes ſhall be builded.

34 And the deſolate land ſhall be tilled, whereas it lay deſolate in the ſight of all that paſſed by.

35 And they ſhall ſay, This land that was deſolate, is become like the garden of * Eden, and the waſte, and deſolate, and ruined cities, *are become* fenced, *and* are inhabited. * Chap. 28.13.

36 Then the heathen that are left round about you, ſhall know that I the LORD build the ruined places, *and* plant that that was deſolate: I * the LORD haue ſpoken *it*, and I will doe *it*. * Chap. 17.24. & 22.14. & 37.14.

37 Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, I will yet for this be enquired of by the houſe of Iſrael, to doe it for them: I will encreaſe them with men like a flocke.

38 As the † holy flocke, as the flocke of Ieruſalem in her ſolemne feaſts, ſo ſhall the waſte cities be filled with flockes of men, and they ſhall know that I *am* the LORD. † Heb. flocke of holy things.

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2 And cauſed me to paſſe by them round about, and behold, *there were* very many in the open ‖ valley, and loe, *they were* very dry. ‖ Or, champion

3 And he ſaid vnto me, Sonne of man can theſe bones liue? And I anſwered, O Lord GOD, thou knoweſt.

4 Againe he ſaid vnto me, Propheſie vpon theſe bones, and ſay vnto them, O ye dry bones, heare the word of the LORD.

5 Thus ſaith the Lord GOD vnto theſe bones, Behold, I will cauſe breath to enter into you, and ye ſhall liue.

6 And I will lay ſinewes vpon you, and will bring vp fleſh vpon you, and couer you with ſkin, and put breath in you, and yee ſhall liue, and yee ſhall know that I *am* the LORD.

7 So I propheſied as I was commanded: and as I propheſied, there was a noiſe, and behold, a ſhaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

16 I will seeke that which was lost, and bring a-
gaine that which was driuen away, and will binde
vp that which was broken, and will strengthen that
which was sicke: but I will destroy the fat, and the
strong as I will feed them with iudgement.

17 And as for you, O my flocke, Thus saith the
Lord GOD, Behold, I iudge betweene † cattell and
cattell, betweene the rams and the † he goats.

18 Seemeth it a small thing vnto you to haue
eaten vp the good pasture, but ye must tread downe
with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to
haue drunke of the deep waters, but yee must foule
the residue with your feet?

19 And as for my flocke, they eat that which ye
haue troden with your feet: and they drinke that
which ye haue fouled with your feet.

20 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD vnto
them, Behold, I, *euen* I will iudge betweene the fat
cattell, and betweene the leane cattell.

21 Because ye haue thrust with side and with
shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your
hornes, till ye haue scattered them abroad:

22 Therefore will I saue my flocke, and they shall
no more be a prey, and I will iudge betweene cat-
tell and cattell.

23 And I will set vp one * Shepherd ouer them,
and he shall feed them, *euen* my seruant Dauid; he
shall feed them, and he shall be their Shepherd.

24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my
seruant Dauid a Prince among them, I the LORD
haue spoken *it*.

25 And I will make with them a couenant of
peace, and I will cause the euill beasts to cease out
of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wil-
dernesse, and sleepe in the woods.

26 And I will make them, and the places round
about my hill, a blessing; and I will cause the
shower to come downe in his season: there shalbe
showers of blessing.

27 And the tree of the field shall yeeld her fruit,
and the earth shall yeeld her increase, and they shal
be safe in their land, and shall know that I *am* the
LORD, when I haue broken the bands of their
yoke, and deliuered them out of the hand of those
that serued themselues of them.

28 And they shall no more be a prey to the hea-
then; neither shall the beasts of the land deuoure
them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall
make *them* afraid.

29 And I will raise vp for them a * plant ‖ of re-
nowne, and they shall be no more † consumed with
hunger in the land, neither beare the shame of the
heathen any more.

30 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their
God *am* with them, and that they, *euen* the house of
Israel, *are* my people, saith the Lord GOD.

31 And ye my * flocke of my pasture *are* men, *and*
I *am* your God, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXV.

The iudgement of mount Seir for hating Israel.

MOreouer, the word of the LORD came vnto
me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against mount Seir,
and prophesie against it,

3 And say vnto it, Thus saith the Lord GOD, Be-
hold, O mount Seir, I *am* against thee, and I will
stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make
thee † most desolate.

4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be
desolate, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

5 Because thou hast had a perpetuall hatred, and
hast † shed the *blood* of the children of Israel, by
the † force of the sword, in the time of their ca-
mitie, in the time that *their* iniquity had an

6 Therefore as I liue, saith the Lord GOD, I
pre-pare thee vnto blood, and blood shall pur-
thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even
shall pursue thee.

7 Thus will I make mount Seir † vtterly desol
and cut off from it him that passeth out, and
that returneth.

8 And I will fill his mountaines with his
ment: in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in
riuers shall they fall that are slaine with the

9 I will make thee perpetuall desolations,
thy cities shall not returne, and ye shall know
I *am* the LORD.

10 Because thou hast said, These two nations
these two countreys shalbe mine, and we will
sesse it, ‖ whereas the LORD was there:

11 Therefore, as I liue, saith the Lord GOD,
euen do according to thine anger, and according
to thine enuy, which thou hast vsed out of thy
tred against them: and I will make my selfe k
amongst them, when I haue iudged thee.

12 And thou shalt know that I am the LORD,
that I haue heard all thy blasphemies, which
hast spoken against the mountaines of Israel, s
They are laid desolate, they are giuen for
13 Thus with your mouth ye haue † boa
against me, and haue multiplied your words a
me: I haue heard *them*.

14 Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the
earth reioyceth, I will make thee desolate.

15 As thou didst reioyce at the inheritance
the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so
I doe vnto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O
Seir, and all Idumea, *euen* all of it; and they
know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 *The land of Israel is comforted. Inability of
ction of the heathen who possesse it. 8 The
the blessings of God promised vnto it. 16 It
was reiected for their sin. 22 and shall be re
without their desert. 25 The blessings of the
Kingdome.*

ALso thou sonne of man, prophesie vnto
mountaines of Israel, and say, Ye mountaines
of Israel, heare the word of the LORD.

2 Thus saith the Lord GOD, * Because the
had said against you, Aha, euen the ancient
places are ours in possession:

3 Therefore prophesie, and say, Thus saith the
Lord GOD, † Because they haue made you de
and swallowed you vp on euery side, that ye
be a possession vnto the residue of the heathen,
‖ ye are taken vp in the lips of talkers, and
infamy of the people:

4 Therefore ye mountaines of Israel, hear
word of the Lord GOD, Thus saith the Lord
to the mountaines, and to the hills, to the
and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, a
the cities that are forsaken, which became a
and derision to the residue of the heathen
round about:

5 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD,
in the fire of my iealousie haue I spoken against
residue of the heathen, and against all Idu
which haue appointed my land into their
on, with the ioy of all *their* heart, with despi
mindes to cast it out for a prey.

6 Prophesie therefore concerning the land
rael, and say vnto the mountaines, and to the
the riuers, and to the valleys, Thus saith

† Hebr. small cattell of lambes and kids *† Hebr. great he goats.*

** Ez.34. 23. Iohn 10.11. 16*

** Isa.11.1. Ier.23.5. ‖ Or, for renowne. † Hebr. taken away.*

** Iohn 10.11.*

† Hebr. desolation and desolation. *‖ Or, hatred of old.* *† Hebr. powred out the children.*

Behold I haue ſpoken in my iealouſie, and
y, becauſe ye haue borne the ſhame of the

erefore thus ſaith the Lord GOD, I haue lift-
ine hand; Surely the heathen that *are* about
ſhall beare their ſhame.
ue ye O mountaines of Iſrael, ye ſhal ſhoot
our branches, and yeeld your fruit to my
f Iſrael, for they are at hand to come.
behold, I *am* for you, and I will turne vnto
ye ſhall be tilled and ſowne.
and I will multiply men vpon you, all the
Iſrael, *euen* all of it: and the cities ſhall be
, and the waſtes ſhall be builded.
and I will multiply vpon you man and beaſt,
ſhall increaſe, and bring fruit, and I will
you after your old eſtates: and will doe bet-
you then at your beginnings, and ye ſhall
that I *am* the LORD.
, I will cauſe men to walke vpon you, *euen*
le Iſrael, and they ſhall poſſeſſe thee, and
ſt be their inheritance, and thou ſhalt no
orefoorth bereaue them *of men*.
us ſaith the Lord GOD, Becauſe they ſay
, Thou *land* deuoureſt vp men, and haſt be-
y nations,
erefore thou ſhalt deuoure men no more,
bereaue thy nations any more, ſaith the
.
ither will I cauſe men to heare in thee the
of the heathen any more, neither ſhalt thou
reproach of the people any more, neither
cauſe the nations to fall any more, ſaith
d GOD.
Moreouer, the word of the LORD came vn-
ying.
on of man, when the houſe of Iſrael dwelt
owne land, they defiled it by their owne
by their doings: their way was before me,
cleanneſſe of a remoued woman.
Therefore I powred my fury vpon them, for
d that they had ſhed vpon the land, and for
les *wherewith* they had polluted it.
and I ſcattered them among the heathen, and
e diſperſed thorow the countreys: accor-
their way, and according to their doings I
them.
and when they entred vnto the heathen, whi-
y went, they * profaned my holy Name,
y ſaid to them, Theſe *are* the people of the
and are gone forth out of his land.
But I had pitty for mine holy Name, which
ſe of Iſrael had profaned among the hea-
whither they went.
erefore ſay vnto the houſe of Iſrael, Thus
Lord GOD, I doe not *this* for your ſakes,
houſe of Iſrael, but for mine holy Names ſake,
e haue profaned among the heathen whi-
ther.
and I will ſanctifie my great Name, which
profaned among the heathen, which ye haue
d in the midſt of them, and the heathen
ow that I *am* the LORD, ſaith the Lord
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ther you out of all countreys, and will bring
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38 As the † holy flocke, as the flocke of Ieruſalem † *Heb.*
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full of bones,

2 And cauſed me to paſſe by them round about,
and behold, *there were* very many in the open
valley, and lo, *they were* very dry. ‖ *Or,*
champion

3 And he ſaid vnto me, Sonne of man can theſe
bones liue? And I anſwered, O Lord GOD, thou
knoweſt.

4 Againe he ſaid vnto me, Propheſie vpon theſe
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word of the LORD.

5 Thus ſaith the Lord GOD vnto theſe bones,
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ye ſhall liue.

6 And I will lay ſinewes vpon you, and will
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and put breath in you, and yee ſhall liue, and yee
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7 So I propheſied as I was commanded: and as
I propheſied, there was a noiſe, and behold, a ſha-
king, and the bones came together, bone to his
bone.

8 And

8 And when I beheld, loe, the ſinewes and the fleſh came vp vpon them, and the ſkin couered them aboue, but *there was* no breath in them.

9 Then ſaid hee vnto mee, Propheſie vnto the winde; propheſie ſonne of man, and ſay to the winde, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD; Come from the foure windes, O breath, and breathe vpon theſe ſlaine, that they may liue.

Or, breath.

10 So I propheſied, as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they liued and ſtood vp vpon their feet, an exceeding great army.

11 ¶ Then he ſaid vnto me, Sonne of man theſe bones are the whole houſe of Iſrael: behold, they ſay; Our bones are dryed, and our hope is loſt, we are cut off for our parts.

12 Therefore propheſie and ſay vnto them, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, Behold, O my people, I will open your graues, and cauſe you to come vp out of your graues, and bring you into the land of Iſrael.

13 And ye ſhall know that I *am* the LORD, when I haue opened your graues, O my people, and brought you vp out of your graues,

14 And ſhall put my ſpirit in you, and ye ſhall liue, and I ſhall place you in your owne land: then ſhall ye know that I the LORD haue ſpoken *it*, and performed *it*, ſaith the LORD.

15 ¶ The word of the LORD came againe vnto me, ſaying,

16 Moreouer, thou ſonne of man, take thee one ſticke, and write vpon it, For Iudah, and for the children of Iſrael his companions: then take another ſticke, and write vpon it, For Ioſeph the ſticke of Ephraim, and for all the houſe of Iſrael his companions.

17 And ioyne them one to another into one ſtick, and they ſhall become one in thine hand.

18 ¶ And when the children of thy people ſhall ſpeake vnto thee, ſaying, Wilt thou not ſhew vs what *meanſt* by theſe?

19 Say vnto them, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will take the ſticke of Ioſeph, which *is* in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Iſrael his fellowes, and will put them with him, *euen* with the ſticke of Iudah, and make them one ſticke, and they ſhall be one in mine hand.

20 ¶ And the ſtickes whereon thou writeſt, ſhall be in thine hand before their eyes.

21 And ſay vnto them, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will take the children of Iſrael from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on euery ſide, and bring them into their owne land.

Ioh.10. 16.

22 And I will make them one nation in the land vpon the mountaines of Iſrael, and *one King ſhall be King to them all: and they ſhalbe no more two nations, neither ſhall they bee diuided into two kingdomes any more at all.

23 Neither ſhall they defile themſelues any more with their idoles, nor with their deteſtable things, nor with any of their tranſgreſſions: but I will ſaue them out of all their dwelling places, wherein they haue ſinned, and will cleanſe them: ſo ſhall they be my people, and I will be their God.

Iſa.40. 11. ier 23. 5. & 30. 9. chap. 34. 23.

24 And *David my ſeruant *ſhall be* King ouer them, and they all ſhall haue one Shepherd: they ſhall alſo walke in my Iudgements, and obſerue my Statutes, and doe them.

25 And they ſhal dwel in the land ỹ I haue giuen vnto Iacob my ſeruant, wherein your Fathers haue dwelt, and they ſhall dwell therein, *euen* they and their children, & their childrens children for euer, and my ſeruant Dauid *ſhal be* their Prince for euer.

26 Moreouer, I will make a * couenant of peace with them, it ſhall be an euerlaſting couenant with them, and I will place them, and multiply them, and will ſet my * Sanctuary in the midſt of them for euermore.

27 My Tabernacle alſo ſhall be with them: yea, I will be * their God, and they ſhall be my people.

28 And the heathen ſhall know that I the Lord doe ſanctifie Iſrael when my Sanctuary ſhall be in the midſt of them for euermore.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

1 The army, 8 and wake of Gog, 14 Gods iudgement againſt him.

AND the word of the LORD came vnto me, ſaying,

2 Sonne of man, ſet thy face againſt * Gog, the land of Magog, the chiefe Prince of Meſhech and Tubal, and propheſie againſt him,

3 And ſay, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, Behold, I *am* againſt thee, O Gog, the chiefe Prince of Meſhech and Tubal.

4 And I will turne thee backe, and put ‖ hookes into thy chawes, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horſes and horſemen, all of them clothed with all ſorts *of armour, euen* a great company with bucklers and ſhields, all of them handling ſwords.

5 Perſia, Ethiopia, and ‖ Libya with them, all of them with ſhield and helmet:

6 Gomer and all his bands, the houſe of Togarmah of the North quarters, and all his bands, and many people with thee.

7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thy ſelfe, thou and all thy company that are aſſembled vnto thee, and be thou a guard vnto them.

8 ¶ After many dayes thou ſhalt be viſited: in the latter yeeres thou ſhalt come into the land that is brought backe from the ſword, *and* is gathered out of many people againſt the mountaines of Iſrael, which haue been alwayes waſte: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they ſhall dwell ſafely all of them.

9 Thou ſhalt aſcend and come like a ſtorme, thou ſhalt be like a cloud to couer the land, thou and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

10 Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, It ſhall alſo come to paſſe, *that* at the ſame time ſhall things ariſe into thy mind, and thou ſhalt thinke an euill thought.

11 And thou ſhalt ſay, I will goe vp to the land of vnwalled villages; I will goe to them that are at reſt, that dwell † ſafely, all of them dwelling without walls, and hauing neither bars nor gates,

12 † To take a ſpoile, and to take a prey, to turne thine hand vpon the deſolate places that are now inhabited, and vpon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which haue gotten cattell and goods, that dwell in the † midſt of the land.

13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarſhiſh, with all the young lions thereof ſhall ſay vnto thee, Art thou come to take a ſpoile? haſt thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away ſiluer and gold, to take away cattell and goods, to take a great ſpoile?

14 ¶ Therefore ſonne of man propheſie and ſay vnto Gog, Thus ſaith the Lord GOD, In that day when my people of Iſrael dwelleth ſafely, ſhalt thou not know it?

15 And thou ſhalt come from thy place out of the North parts, thou and many people with thee, all of them riding vpon horſes, a great company and a mighty army.

16 And thou ſhalt come vp againſt my

nd,as a cloud to couer the land; it shalbe in
ter dayes, and I will bring thee against my
that the heathen may know me,when I shall be
fied in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.
Thus saith the Lord GOD, *Art* thou hee of
m I haue spoken in old time † by my seruants
Prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those
many yeares,that I would bring thee against
?
And it shall come to passe at the same time,
Gog shall come against the land of Israel,
the Lord GOD, *that* my fury shall come vp in
nie.
For in my iealousie, *and* in the fire of my
I haue I spoken: Surely in that day there shall
great shaking in the land of Israel.
So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowles of
heauen,and the beasts of the field,and all creep-
things that creepe vpon the earth, and all the
men that are vpon the face of the earth shall shake
at my presence,and the mountaines shall be throwne
wne, and the ‖ steepe places shall fall,and euery
all shall fall to the ground.
And I will call for a sword against him thro-
out all my mountaines, saith the Lord GOD:
ery mans sword shall be against his brother.
And I will plead against him with pestilence,
with blood,and I will raine vpon him,and vp-
his bands, and vpon the many people that *are*
with him,an ouerflowing raine, and great haile-
nes, fire and brimstone.
Thus will I magnifie my selfe, and sanctifie
my selfe, and I will be knowne in the eyes of many
nations, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXIX.

Gods indgements vpon Gog. 8 *Israels victory.*
17 *The feast of the great buriall vpon Gog.* 17 *The feast of*
birds. 21 *Israel having been plagued for their*
sinne, are brought home with eternall fauour.

He is here commanded to prophesie against
Gog, and say, That saith the Lord GOD, Be-
hold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chiefe Prince
of Meshech and Tubal.
And I will turne thee backe, and I leane but
the sixt part of thee, and will cause thee to come
vp from the † North parts, and will bring thee vp-
on the mountaines of Israel.
And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand,
and will cause thine arrowes to fall out of thy
right hand.
Thou shalt fall vpon the mountaines of Isra-
el, thou and all thy bands, and the people that *is*
with thee: I will giue thee vnto the ranenous
kind of euery † sort, and to the beasts of the field
to be deuoured.
Thou shalt fall vpon † the open field, for I
haue spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.
And I will send a fire on Magog, and among
them that dwell carelesly in the Iles, and they
shall know that I *am* the LORD.
So will I make my holy Name knowne in the
midst of my people Israel, and I will not let *them*
pollute my holy Name any more, and the heathen
shall know that I *am* the LORD, the holy One in
Israel.
¶ Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the
Lord GOD, this *is* the day whereof I haue spoken.
And they that dwel in the cities of Israel, shal
goe forth, and shall set on fire, & burne the weapons,
both the shields & the bucklers, the bowes, and the
arrowes, and the ‖ hand staues, and the speares, and
they shall burne them with fire seuen yeeres,

10 So that they shall take no wood out of the
field, neither cut down *any* out of the forrests: for
they shall burne the weapons with fire, and they
shall spoile those that spoiled them, and rob those
that robbed them, saith the Lord GOD.
11 ¶ And it shall come to passe at that day, *that*
I will giue vnto Gog a place there of graues in Is-
rael, the valley of the passengers on the East of the
Sea: and it shall stop the ‖ *noses* of the passengers, ‖ *Or*,
and there shall they bury Gog & all his multitude, *mouthes*,
and they shall call it the valley of ‖ Hamon-Gog. ‖ *That is*
12 And seuen moneths shall the house of Israel be *the mul-*
burying of them, that they may cleanse the land. *titude of*
13 Yea, all the people of the land shal bury *them*, *Gog.*
and it shall bee to them a renowne, the day that I
shall be glorified, saith the Lord GOD.
14 And they shall seuer out † men of continuall † *Hebr.*
imployment, passing thorow the land to bury with *men of*
the passengers those that remaine vpon the face of *continu-*
the earth to cleanse it: after the end of seuen mo- *ance.*
neths shall they search.
15 And the passengers *that* passe thorow the
land, when *any* seeth a mans bone, then shall he
† set vp a signe by it, till the buriers haue buried † *Hebr.*
it in the valley of Hamon Gog. *build.*
16 And also the name of the city *shall be* ‖ Ha- ‖ *That is,*
monah: thus shall they cleanse the land. *the mul-*
17 ¶ And thou sonne of man, thus saith the Lord *titude.*
GOD, Speake † vnto euery feathered fowle, and to † *Hebr. to*
euery beast of the field, Assemble your selues, and *the fowle*
come, gather your selues on euery side to my ‖ sa- *of euery*
crifice that I doe sacrifice for you, *euen* a great sa- *wing.*
crifice vpon the mountaines of Israel, that ye may ‖ *Or,*
eate flesh, and drinke blood. *slaughter*
18 Yee shall eate the flesh of the mighty, and
drinke the blood of the Princes of the earth, of
rams, of lambes, and of † goates, of bullockes, all † *Hebr.*
of them fatlings of Bashan. *goates*
19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be ful, and drinke
blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I
haue sacrificed for you.
20 Thus ye shall be filled at my Table with hor-
ses and charets, with mighty men, and with all men
of warre, saith the Lord GOD.
21 And I will set my glory among † heathen, and
all the heathen shall see my iudgement that I haue
executed, and my hand that I haue laid vpon them.
22 So the house of Israel shall know that I *am*
the LORD their God, from that day and forward.
23 ¶ And the heathen shall know, that the house
of Israel went into captiuity for their iniquity:
because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I
my face from them, and gaue them into the hand of
their enemies; so fell they all by the sword.
24 According to their vncleannesse, and accor-
ding to their transgressions haue I done vnto
them, and hid my face from them.
25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Now
will I bring againe the captiuity of Iacob, and
haue mercy vpon the whole house of Israel, and
will be ielous for my holy Name:
26 After that they haue borne their shame, and
all their trespasses, whereby they haue trespassed
against me, when they dwelt safely in their land,
and none made *them* afraid.
27 When I haue brought them againe from the * Chap.
people, and gathered them out of their enemies 36.23.
lands, and * am sanctified in them in the sight of † *Hebr.*
many nations: *by me*
28 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD *causing*
their God, † which caused them to be led into *of them,*
captiuity among the heathen: but I haue gathered *&c.*

them

them vnto their owne land, and haue left none of them any more there.

29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I haue * powred out my Spirit vpon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

* Ioel 2. 28. actes 2. 17.

CHAP. XL.

1 The time, maner, and end of the vision. 6 The description of the East gate, 20 of the North gate, 24 of the South gate, 32 of the East gate, 35 and of the North gate. 39 Eight tables. 44 The chambers. 48 The porch of the house.

IN the fiue and twentieth yeere of our captiuity, in the beginning of the yeere, in the tenth *day* of the moneth, in the fourteenth yeere after that the city was smitten, in the selfe same day the hand of the LORD was vpon me, and brought me thither.

2 In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me vpon a very high mountaine, ‖ by which *was* as the frame of a city on the South.

‖ Or, Vpon which.

3 And he brought me thither, and behold, *there was* a man, whose appearance *was* like the appearance of brasse, with a line of flaxe in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate.

4 And the man said vnto me, Soune of man, behold with thine eyes, and heare with thine eares, and set thine heart vpon all that I shall shew thee: for to the intent that I might shew *them* vnto thee, art thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.

5 And behold, a wall on the outside of the house round about: and in the mans hand a measuring reed of sixe cubits *long* by the cubite, and an hand breadth: so hee measured the breadth of the building, one reed, and the height one reed.

† Hebr. whose face was the way toward the East.

6 ¶ Then came he vnto the gate † which looketh toward the East, and went vp the staires thereof, and measured the threshold of the gate, *which was* one reed broad, and the other threshold of the *gate which was* one reed broad.

7 And *euery* little chamber *was* one reed long, and one reed broad, and betweene the little chambers *were* fiue cubits, and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within, *was* one reed.

8 He measured also the porch of the gate within, one reed.

9 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubites, and the posts thereof two cubites, and the porch of the gate *was* inward.

10 And the little chambers of the gate Eastward *were* three on this side, and three on that side, they three *were* of one measure, and the postes had one measure on this side, and on that side.

11 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate ten cubits, and the length of the gate thirteene cubites.

‖ Hebr. Iimit, or bound.

12 The † space also before the little chambers, *was* one cubite *on this side*, and the space *was* one cubite on that side, and the little chambers *were* six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.

13 He measured then the gate from the roofe of one little chamber, to the roofe of another: the breadth *was* fiue and twenty cubites, doore against doore.

14 He made also posts of threescore cubits, euen vnto the post of the court round about the gate.

15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance, vnto the face of the porch of the inner gate, *were* fifty cubites.

† Hebr. Postes.

16 And *there were* † narrow windowes to the little chambers, and to their posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the ‖ arches: and windowes *were* round about ‖ inward: and vpon each post *were* palme trees.

‖ Or, Vpon which.

17 Then brought he me into the outward court, and loe, *there were* chambers, and a pauement made for the court round about: thirty chambers were vpon the pauement.

18 And the pauement by the side of the gates ouer against the length of the gates was the lower pauement.

19 Then he measured the breadth from the face of the lower gate, vnto the forefront of the inner court ‖ without, an hundred cubits Eastward and Northward.

‖ Or, from without.

20 ¶ And the gate of the outward court that looked toward the North, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

21 And the little chambers thereof, *were* three on this side, and three on that side, and the posts thereof, and the ‖ arches thereof were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof fifty cubits and the breadth fiue & twenty cubits.

‖ Or, porches.

22 And their windowes, and their arches, and their palme trees *were* after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the East, and they went vp vnto it by seuen steps, and the arches thereof *were* before them.

23 And the gate of the inner court *was* ouer against the gate toward the North, and toward the East, and hee measured from gate to gate an hundred cubites.

24 ¶ After that he brought me toward the South, and behold, a gate toward the South, and he measured the posts thereof, and the arches thereof according to these measures.

25 And *there were* windowes in it, and in the arches thereof round about, like those windowes: the length *was* fifty cubites, and the breadth twenty cubites.

26 And *there were* seuen steps to go vp to it, and the arches thereof *were* before them, and it had palme trees, one on this side, and another on that side vpon the posts thereof.

27 And *there was* a gate in the inner court toward the South, and he measured from gate to gate toward the South, an hundred cubites.

28 And he brought mee to the inner court by the South gate, and he measured the South gate according to these measures,

29 And the little chambers thereof, and the arches thereof, and the arches thereof according to these measures, and *there were* windowes in it and in the arches thereof round about it: it was fifty cubites long, and fiue and twenty cubites broad.

30 And the arches round about *were* fiue and twenty cubites long, and fiue cubites broad.

31 And the arches thereof *were* toward the vtter court, and palme trees *were* vpon the posts thereof: and the going vp to it had eight steps.

32 ¶ And he brought me into the inner court toward the East, and he measured the gate according to these measures.

33 And the little chambers thereof, and the arches thereof, and the arches thereof, *were* according to these measures, and *there were* windowes in it and in the arches thereof round about, it was fifty cubites long, and fiue and twenty cubites broad.

34 And the arches thereof *were* toward the vtter court, and palme trees *were* vpon the posts thereof on this side, and on that side, and the going vp to it *had* eight steps.

35 ¶ And he brought me to the North gate

easured it according to these measures.

16 The little chambers thereof, the postes there-
of, and the arches thereof, and the windowes to it
round about: the length was fifty cubites, and the
breadth fine and twenty cubites.

17 And the postes thereof were toward the vtter
court, and palme trees were vpon the postes there-
of, on this side, and on that side, and the going vp
to it had eight steps.

18 And the chambers, and the entries thereof,
were by the postes of the gates, where they washed
the burnt offering.

19 ¶ And in the porch of the gate were two ta-
bles on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay
thereon the burnt offering, and the sinne offering,
and the trespasse offering.

20 And at the side without, ‖ as one goeth vp to
the entry of the North gate, were two tables, and
at the other side, which was at the porch of the
gate were two tables.

21 Foure tables were on this side, and foure ta-
bles on that side, by the side of the gate; eight ta-
bles whereupon they slew their sacrifices.

22 And the foure tables were of hewen stone for
the burnt offering, of a cubite and an halfe long,
a cubite and a halfe broad, and one cubit high:
whereupon also they laid the instruments, where-
with they slew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.

23 And within were ‖ hookes an hand broad, fa-
stned round about, and vpon the tables was the
flesh of the offering.

24 ¶ And without the inner gate were the cham-
bers of the singers, in the inner court which was at
the side of the North gate: and their prospect was
toward the South, one at the side of the East gate,
having the prospect toward the North.

25 And he said vnto mee, This chamber, whose
prospect is toward the South, is for the Priests, the
keepers of the ‖ charge of the house.

26 And the chamber, whose prospect is toward
the North, is for the Priests the keepers of the
charge of the Altar: these are the sonnes of Zadok
among the sonnes of Leui, which come neere to the
Lord to minister vnto him.

27 So he measured the court, an hundred cubites
long, and an hundred cubites broad, foursquare,
and the Altar that was before the house.

28 ¶ And hee brought mee to the porch of the
house, and measured each poste of the porch, fiue
cubites on this side, and fiue cubites on that side:
and the breadth of the gate was three cubites on
this side, and three cubites on that side.

29 The length of the porch was twenty cubites,
and the breadth eleuen cubites, and he brought me
by steps whereby they went vp to it, and there
were pillars by the postes, one on this side, and ano-
ther on that side.

CHAP. XLI.

The measures, parts, chambers, and ornaments of the temple.

1 Afterward he brought me to the Temple, and
measured the postes, six cubites broad on the
one side, and six cubites broad on the other side,
which was the breadth of the Tabernacle.

2 And the breadth of the ‖ doore was ten cubites,
and the sides of the doore were fiue cubites on the
one side, and fiue cubites on the other side, and hee
measured the length thereof fourty cubites, and the
breadth twenty cubites.

3 Then went he inward, and measured the poste
of the doore two cubites, and the doore six cubites,
and the breadth of the doore seuen cubites.

4 So he measured the length thereof twenty cu-
bits, & the breadth twenty cubits before the Tem-
ple, & he said vnto me, This is the most holy place.

5 After he measured the wall of the house six
cubites, and the breadth of *euery* side chamber
foure cubites round about the house on euery side.

6 And the side chambers were † three, one ouer † *Hebr.*
another, and ‖ thirty in order: and they entred into *side-*
the wall which was of the house for the side-cham- *chamber*
bers round about, that they might † haue hold, but *ouer side-*
they had not hold in the wall of the house. *chamber.*

7 And † there was an enlarging, and a winding ‖ *Or, three*
about still vpward to the side-chambers, for the *and thir-*
winding about of the house, went still vpward *ty times*
round about the house: therefore the breadth of *or foot.*
the house was *still* vpward, and so increased from † *Hebr. be*
the lowest chamber to the highest by the middest. *holden.*

8 I saw also the height of the house round ‖ *Hebr.*
about; the foundations of the side-chambers were *it was*
a full reed of six great cubits. *made*

9 The thicknesse of the wall which was for the *broader*
side-chamber without, was fiue cubits: and that *and went*
which was left, was the place of the side-chambers *round.*
that were within.

10 And betweene the chambers was the wide-
nesse of twenty cubites round about the house on
euery side.

11 And the doores of the side-chambers were to-
ward the place that was left, one doore toward the
North, and another doore toward the South, and
the breadth of the place that was left, was fiue cu-
bits round about.

12 Now the building that was before the sepa-
rate place, at the end toward the West, was seuen-
ty cubits broad, and the wall of the building was
fiue cubits thicke round about, and the length
thereof ninety cubits.

13 So he measured the house an hundred cubites
long, and the separate place, and the building, with
the walls thereof, an hundred cubites long:

14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and
of the separate place toward the East, an hundred
cubites.

15 And he measured the length of the building
ouer against the separate place which was behind
it, and the ‖ galleries thereof on the one side, and *Or,*
on the other side an hundred cubits, with the inner *seuerall*
Temple, and the porches of the court. *walkes,*

16 The doore postes, and the narrow windowes, *or walkes*
and the galleries round about on their three stories *with pil-*
ouer against the doore † sieled with wood round a- *lars.*
bout, and from the ground vp to the windowes, † *Hebr.*
and the windowes were couered. *fillers of*

17 To that about the doore, euen vnto the inner *a note*
house, and without, and by all the wall round about *‖ or,*
within and without by † measure. *and also*

18 And it was made with Cherubims and palme *ground*
trees, so that a palme tree was betweene a Cherub *vnto the*
and a Cherub, and *euery* Cherub had two faces. *vtter*

19 So that the face of a man was toward the *dores.*
palme tree on the one side, and the face of a young † *Hebr.*
lyon toward the palme tree on the other side: it *measure.*
was made through all the house round about.

20 From the ground vnto aboue the doore were
Cherubims and palme trees made, and on the wall
of the Temple.

21 The † postes of the Temple were squared, *and* † *Hebr.*
the face of the Sanctuary, the appearance *of the one* *post.*
as the appearance *of the other.*

22 The Altar of wood was three cubites high,
and the length thereof two cubites: and the corners
thereof, and the length thereof, and the wals *there-*

of *were* of wood: and he said vnto me, This *is* the Table that *is* before the LORD.

23 And the Temple and the Sanctuary *had* two doores.

24 And the doores *had* two leaues *apiece*, two turning leaues, two leaues for the one doore, and two leaues for the other doore.

25 And there were made on them, on the doores of the Temple, Cherubims and palme trees, like as were made vpon the wals, and *there were* thicke plankes vpon the face of the porch without.

26 And *there were* narrow windowes, and palme trees on the one side, and on the other side, on the sides of the porch: and vpon the side-chambers of the house, and thicke plankes.

CHAP. XLII.

1 *The chambers for the Priests.* 13 *The vse thereof.* 19 *The measures of the outward court.*

THen he brought me forth into the outer court, the way toward the North, and he brought me into the chamber that *was* ouer against the separate place, and which *was* before the building toward the North.

2 Before the length of an hundred cubites *was* the North doore, and the breadth *was* fifty cubits.

3 Ouer against the twenty *cubites*, which *were* for the inner court, and ouer against the pauement which *was* for the vtter court, *was* gallery against gallery in three *stories*.

4 And before the chambers *was* a walke of ten cubites breadth inward, a way of one cubite, and their doores toward the North.

5 Now the vpper chambers *were* shorter: for the galleries ‖were higher then these, ‖then the lower, and then the middlemost of the building.

6 For they *were* in three *stories* but *had* not pillers as the pillars of the courts: therefore *the building* was straitned more then the lowest, and the middlemost from the ground.

7 And the wall that *was* without, ouer against the chambers towards the outer court, on the forepart of the chambers, the length thereof *was* fifty cubites.

8 For the length of the chambers that *were* in the outer court *was* fifty cubites: and loe, before the Temple *were* an hundred cubites.

9 And ‖from vnder these chambers ‖*was* the entry on the East side, ‖as one goeth into them from the vtter court.

10 The chambers *were* in the thickenesse of the wall of the court toward the East, ouer against the separate place, and ouer against the building.

11 And the way before them *was* like the appearance of the chambers which *were* toward the North as long as they, *and* as broad as they, and all their goings out were both according to their fashions, and according to their doores.

12 And according to the doores of the chambers that *were* toward the South, *was* a doore in the head of the way, *euen* the way directly before the wall toward the East, as one entreth into them.

13 ¶Then said he vnto me, The North chambers *and* the South chambers which *are* before the separate place, they *be* holy chambers where the Priests that approach vnto the LORD, shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat offring, and the sinne offering, and the trespasse offering: for the place is holy.

14 When the Priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the holy place into the outer court, but there they shall lay their garments, wherein they minister; for they *are* holy, and shall put on other garments, and shall approach to those things which *are* for the people.

15 Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth toward the gate, whose prospect is toward the East, and measured it round about.

16 He measured the East side with the measuring reed, fiue hundred reeds with the measuring reed ound about.

17 Hee measured the North side, fiue hundred reeds with a measuring reed round about.

18 Hee measured the South side, fiue hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

19 ¶He turned about to the West side and measured fiue hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

20 He measured it by the fower sides: it had a wall round about, fiue hundred reed long, and fiue hundred broad: to make a separation betweene the Sanctuary *and* the profane place.

CHAP. XLIII.

1 *The returning of the glory of God into the Temple.* 7 *The sinne of Israel, and their Conspiracy.* 10 *The Prophet exhorteth them to repentance, and obseruation of the Law of the house.* 15 *The measures.* 18 *and the ordinance of the Altar.*

AFterward he brought me to the gate, *euen* the gate that looketh toward the East.

2 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the East: and his voice was like a noise of many ‖waters, and the earth shined with his glory.

3 And *it was* ‖according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, *euen* according to the vision that I saw, ‖when I came to destroy the citie: the visions *were* like the vision that I saw by the riuer Chebar: and I fell vpon my face.

4 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate, whose prospect is toward the East.

5 So the Spirit tooke me vp, and brought me into the inner court: and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house.

6 And I heard *him* speaking vnto me out of the house, and the man stood by me.

7 ¶ And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, *this is* the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for euer, and my holy Name shall the house of Israel no more defile, neither they nor their Kings by their whoredome, nor by the carkeises of their Kings in their high places.

8 In their setting of their thresholds by my thresholds, and their post by my post, ‖and the wall betweene me and them, they haue euen defiled my holy Name by their abominations that they haue committed: wherefore I haue consumed them in mine anger.

9 Now let them put away their whoredome, and the carkeises of their Kings, farre from me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for euer.

10 ¶ Thou Sonne of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities, and let them measure the proportion.

11 And if they be ashamed of all that they haue done, shew them the forme of the house, and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comming in thereof, and all the formes thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the formes thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and write it in their sight, that they may keepe the whole forme thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them.

‖*Or, all create of these.* ‖*Or, and the building consisted of the lower and the middlemost.* ‖*Or, from the place.* ‖*Or, he that brought me.* ‖*Or, as he came.*

12 This is the Law of the house; vpon the top of the mountaine, the whole limit thereof round about *shall be* most holy: behold, this *is* the Law of the house.

13 ¶ And *these are* the measures of the Altar after the cubites; the cubite *is* a cubite and an hand breadth: euen the † bottome *shall be* a cubite, and a cubite breadth a cubite, and the border thereof by the edge thereof round about, *shall be* a span: and this *shall be* the higher place of the Altar.

14 And from the bottome *vpon* the ground, euen to the lower settle, *shall be* two cubites, and the breadth one cubite, and from the lesser settle, euen to the greater settle, *shall be* foure cubites, and the breadth one cubite.

15 So the † Altar *shall be* foure cubites, and from the † Altar and vpward, *shall be* four hornes.

16 And the Altar *shall be* twelue *cubites* long, twelue broad, square in the foure squares thereof.

17 And the settle *shall be* fourteene *cubites* long, and fourteene broad in the foure squares thereof: and the border about it *shall be* halfe a cubite, and his bottome thereof *shall be* a cubite about, and his stayres shall looke toward the East.

18 ¶ And hee said vnto me, Sonne of man, thus saith the Lord GOD, These *are* the ordinances of the Altar, in the day when they shall make it to burne burnt offerings thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon.

19 And thou shalt giue to the Priestes the Leuites that be of the seed of Zadok which approach vnto me, to minister vnto me, saith the Lord GOD, a young bullocke for a sinne offering.

20 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put it on the foure hornes of it, and on the foure corners of the settle, and vpon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and purge it.

21 Thou shalt take the bullocke also of the sinne offering, and hee shall burne it in the appointed place of the house without the Sanctuary.

22 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goates without blemish for a sinne offering, and they shall cleanse the Altar, as they did cleanse it with the bullocke.

23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing it, thou shalt offer a young bullocke without blemish, and a ramme out of the flocke without blemish.

24 And thou shalt offer them before the LORD, and the Priests shall cast salt vpon them, and they shall offer them vp for a burnt offering vnto the LORD.

25 Seuen dayes shalt thou prepare euery day a goate for a sinne offering: they shall also prepare a young bullocke, and a ram out of the flocke without blemish.

26 Seuen dayes shall they purge the Altar, and cleanse it, and they shall † consecrate themselues.

27 And when these dayes are expired, it shall be vpon the eight day and so forward, that the Priests shall make your burnt offerings vpon the Altar, and your peace offerings; and I will accept you, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XLIIII.

The East gate assigned onely to the Prince. 4 Priests reproued for polluting of the Sanctuarie. 9 Idolaters incapable of the Priests office. The sonnes of Zadok are accepted thereto. 17 Orders for the Priests.

1 Then he brought me backe the way of the gate of the outward Sanctuary, which looketh toward the East, and it *was* shut.

2 Then said the LORD vnto me, This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the LORD the God of Israel hath entred in by it, therefore it shall be shut.

3 *It is* for the Prince; the prince he shall sit in it to eate bread before the LORD: hee shall entee by the way of the porch of that gate, and shall goe out by the way of the same.

4 ¶ Then brought he me the way of the North gate before the house, and I looked, and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD, and I fell vpon my face.

5 And the LORD said vnto me, Sonne of man, † marke well, and behold with thine eyes, and heare with thine eares, all that I say vnto thee concerning all the ordinances of § house of the LORD, and all the Lawes thereof, and marke well the entring in of the house, with euery going forth of the Sanctuary.

6 And thou shalt say to the rebellious, *euen* to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD, O yee house of Israel, Let it suffice you, of all your abominations;

7 In that yee haue brought into my Sanctuary, † strangers vncircumcised in heart, and vncircumcised in flesh, to bee in my Sanctuary, to pollute it, *euen* my house, when yeoffer my bread, the fat and the blood, and they haue broken my Couenant, because of all your abominations.

8 And ye haue not kept the charge of mine holy things: but yee haue set keepers of my † charge in my Sanctuary for your selues.

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, No stranger vncircumcised in heart, nor vncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my Sanctuary, of any stranger that *is* among the children of Israel.

10 And the Leuites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from mee after their idoles, they shall euen beare their iniquity.

11 Yet they shall bee ministers in my Sanctuary, *hauing* charge at the gates of the house, and ministring to the house: they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people, and they shall stand before them, to minister vnto them.

12 Because they ministred vnto them before their idoles, and † caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquity, therefore haue I lift vp mine hand against them, saith the Lord GOD, and they shall beare their iniquity.

13 And they shall not come neere vnto me to doe the office of a Priest vnto me, nor to come neere to any of my holy things in the most holy place: but they shall beare their shame, and their abominations which they haue committed.

14 But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the seruice thereof, and for all that shall be done therein.

15 ¶ But the Priests the Leuites the sonnes of Zadok, that kept the charge of my Sanctuary, when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come neere to me to minister vnto mee, and they shall stand before me, to offer vnto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD.

16 They shall enter into my Sanctuary, and they shall come neere to my Table, to minister vnto me, and they shall keepe my charge.

17 ¶ And it shall come to passe, *that* when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linnen garments, and no woollen shall come vpon them, whilest they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.

18 They shall haue linnen bonnets vpon their heads, and shall haue linnen breeches vpon their

† Hebr. set thine heart.

† Hebr. children of a stranger.

§ Or, ward or ordinance. And so verse 14. & 16.

† Hebr. were to a stumbling blocke of iniquity vnto them.

loynes: they shall not gird *themselues* with any thing ‖ that causeth sweat.

‖ *Or, in sweating places: Heb. in, or with sweat.*

19 And when they go forth into the vtter court, *euen* into the vtter court to the people, they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the holy chambers, and they shall put on other garments, and they shall not sanctifie the people with their garments.

20 Neither shall they shaue their heads, nor suffer their lockes to grow long, they shall onely poll their heads.

21 Neither shall any Priest drinke wine, when they enter into the inner court.

* Leuit. 21.13. † *Heb. thrust forth.* ‡ *Heb. from a Priest.*

22 Neither shall they take for their wiues * a widow, or her that is † put away: but they shall take maidens of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow † that had a Priest before.

23 And they shall teach my people *the difference* betweene the holy and prophane, and cause men to discerne betweene the vncleane and the cleane.

24 And in controuersie they shall stand in iudgement, and they shall iudge it according to my iudgements: and they shall keepe my Lawes and my Statutes in all mine assemblies, and they shall hallow my Sabbaths.

* Leuit. 21.1,11.

25 And they shall come at no * dead person to defile themselues: but for father, or for mother, or for sonne, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister, that hath had no husband, they may defile themselues.

26 And after hee is cleansed, they shall reckon vnto him seuen dayes.

* Num. 18.20. deu.10.9. and 18. 1,2.iosh. 13.14,33.

27 And in the day that hee goeth into the Sanctuary, vnto the inner court, to minister in the Sanctuary, hee shall offer his sinne offering, saith the Lord GOD.

28 And it shall be vnto them for an inheritance: I * *am* their inheritance: and yee shall giue them no possession in Israel: I *am* their possession.

29 They shall eate the meat offering, and the sinne offering, and the trespasse offering, and euery ‖ dedicate thing in Israel shall be theirs.

‖ *Or, deuoted.*

30 And the ‖ * first of all the first frutes of all things, and euery oblation of all of euery sort of your oblations shall be the Priests: yee shall also giue vnto the Priest, the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.

‖ *Or, chiefe* * Exod. 23.2. and 22.29. & ver. 20. num. 3.13 & 18.12. * Exod. 22.31. Ieu. 22.8.

31 The Priests shall not eat of any thing that * is dead of it selfe, or torne, whether it bee fowle or beast.

CHAP. XLV.

1 The portion of land for the Sanctuary. 6 For the city. 7 and for the Prince. 9 Ordinances for the Prince.

MOreouer, ‖ when yee shall diuide by lot the land for inheritance, yee shall offer an oblation vnto the Lord, † an holy portion of the land: the length *shall bee* the length of fiue and twenty thousand *reeds*, and the breadth *shall bee* ten thousand: this *shall bee* holy in all the borders thereof round about.

‖ *Heb. when ye cause the land to fall.* † *Heb. holinesse.*

2 Of this there shall bee for the Sanctuary fiue hundred *in length*, with fiue hundred *in breadth*, square round about, and fifty cubites round about, for the ‖ suburbes thereof.

‖ *Or, void places.*

3 And of this measure shalt thou measure the length of fiue and twenty thousand, & the breadth of ten thousand: and in it shall bee the Sanctuary, *and* the most holy place.

4 The holy portion of the land shall be for the Priests, the ministers of the Sanctuary, which shall come neere to minister vnto the LORD: and it shall be a place for *their* houses, and an holy place for the Sanctuary.

5 And the fiue and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall also the Leuites the ministers of the house haue for themselues, for a possession for twenty chambers.

6 ¶ And yee shall appoint the possession of the city fiue thousand broad, and fiue and twenty thousand long, ouer against the oblation of the holy portion: it shall be for the whole house of Israel.

7 ¶ And a portion *shall be* for the Prince on the one side, & on the other side of the oblation of the holy *portion*, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the holy portion, and before the possession of the city from the West side Westward, and from the East side Eastward, and the length *shall bee* ouer against one of the portions, from the West border vnto the East border.

8 In the land shall he haue a possession in Israel, and my Princes shall no more oppresse my people, and *the rest* of the land shall they giue to the house of Israel, according to their tribes.

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, Let it suffice you, O Princes of Israel, remoue violence and spoile, and execute iudgement and iustice, take away ‖ exactions from my people, saith the Lord GOD.

‖ *Or, wrongs.*

10 Yee shall haue iust * balances, and a iust Ephah, and a iust Bath.

* Leuit. 19.35,36. deu. 25.13,15. prou. 11.1. & 20.10,23. amos 8.5. mich. 6.10.

11 The Ephah and the Bath shall be of one measure, that the Bath may containe the tenth part of an Homer, and the Ephah the tenth part of an Homer: the measure thereof shall be after the Homer.

12 And the * shekel *shall be* twenty Gerahs: twenty shekels, fiue and twenty shekels, fifteene shekels shall be your Maneh.

* Exod. 30.13. leuit. 27.25. num. 3.47. ezek. 5.1.

13 This is the oblation that yee shall offer, the sixt part of an Ephah of an Homer of wheate, & yee shall giue the sixt part of an Ephah of an Homer of barley.

14 Concerning the ordinance of oyle, *ye shall offer* the tenth part of a Bath of the Cor, *which is* an Homer of ten Baths, *for* ten Baths are an Homer.

15 And one ‖ lambe out of the flocke out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel, for a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for peace offerings, to make reconciliation for them, saith the Lord GOD.

‖ *Or, sheepe.*

16 All the people of the land shall giue this oblation ‖ for the Prince in Israel.

‖ *Or, vpon.*

17 And it shall be the Princes part to giue the burnt offerings, and meat offering, and drinke offering, in the Feasts, & in the new moones, and in the Sabbaths, in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sinne offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel.

18 Thus saith the Lord GOD, In the first *moneth*, in the first *day* of the moneth, thou shalt take a young bullocke without blemish, and cleanse the Sanctuary.

19 And the Priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put it vpon the posts of the house, and vpon the foure corners of the settle of the altar, and vpon the posts of the gate of the inner court.

20 And so thou shalt do the seuenth *day* of the moneth, for euery one that erreth, and for him that is simple: so shall yee reconcile the house.

21 In the first moneth, in the fourteenth day of the moneth, ye shall haue the Passeouer, a feast of seuen dayes, vnleauened bread shall be eaten.

22 And vpon that day shall the Prince prepare for himselfe and for all the people of the land a bullocke for a sinne offering.

23 And seuen dayes a burnt offering to the [illegible]

and seuen rams without blemish, daily the seuen dayes, and a kid of the goats daily for a sin offring.
24 And he shall prepare a meat offering of an Ephah for a bullocke, and and an Ephah for a ramme, and an Hin of oyle for an Ephah.
25 In the seuenth *moneth*, in the fifteenth day of the moneth, shall he doe the like in the * Feast of the seuen dayes, according to the sinne offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oyle.

CHAP. XLVI.

1 Ordinances for the Prince in his worship. 9 and for the people. 16 Another for the Princes inheritance. 19 The courts for boiling and baking.

THus saith the Lord GOD, The gate of the inner court, that looketh toward the East, shall be shut the six working dayes: but on the Sabboth it shalbe opened, and in the day of the new Moone it shall be opened.
2 And the Prince shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the Priests shall prepare his burnt offring, and his peace offrings, & he shal worship at the threshold of the gates then he shall go forth but the gate shall not be shut vntill euening.
3 Likewise the people of the land shal worship at the doore of this gate before the LORD, in the Sabboths, and in the new Moones.
4 And the burnt offering that the Prince shall offer vnto the LORD in the Sabboth day, *shall be* sixe lambs without blemish; and a ramme without blemish.
5 And the meat offering *shall be* an Ephah for a ramme, and the meat offering for the lambes, † as hee shall be able to giue, & an Hin of oyle to an Ephah.
6 And in the day of the new Moone, *it shall be* a young bullocke without blemish, and sixe lambes and a ram: they shall be without blemish.
7 And he shall prepare a meat offring, and an Ephah for a bullock, and an Ephah for a ram: and for the lambes, according as his hand shall attaine vnto, and an Hin of oyle to an Ephah.
8 And when the Prince shall enter, he shall goe in by the way of the porch of that gate, and hee shall goe forth by the way thereof.
9 ¶ But when the people of the land shall come before the LORD in the solemne feasts, he that entreth in by the way of the North gate to worship, shall goe out by the way of the South gate: and he that entreth by the way of the South gate shall goe forth by the way of the North gate: he shall not returne by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall goe forth ouer against it.
10 And the Prince in the midst of them when they goe in, shall goe in, and when they goe forth, shall goe forth.
11 And in the feasts, and in the solemnities, the meat offering shall be an Ephah to a bullocke, and an Ephah to a ramme, and to the lambes, as he is able to giue, and an Hin of oyle to an Ephah.
12 Now when the Prince shall prepare a voluntary burne offering, or peace offerings, voluntarily vnto the LORD, one shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the East, and he shall prepare his burnt offering, and his peace offerings as he did on the Sabbath day: then hee shall goe forth, and after his going forth one shall shut the gate.
13 Thou shalt daily prepare a burnt offering vnto the LORD, of a lambe of † the first yeere, without blemish, thou shalt prepare it † euery morning.
14 And thou shalt prepare a meat offering for it euery morning; the sixth part of an Ephah, and the third part of an Hin of oyle, to temper with the fine flower, a meat offering continually, by a perpetuall ordinance vnto the LORD.
15 Thus shall they prepare the lambe, and the meat-offering, and the oyle, euery morning for a continuall burnt offering.
16 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, If the Prince giue a gift vnto any of his sonnes, the inheritance thereof shall bee his sons, it *shall be* their possession by inheritance:
17 But if he giue a gift of his inheritance to one of his seruants, then it shalbe his to the yeere of liberty: after, it shall returne to the Prince, but his inheritance shall be his sonnes for them.
18 Moreouer, the Prince shall not take of the peoples inheritance by oppression, to thrust them out of their possession: *but* he shall giue his sons inheritance out of his owne possession, that my people be not scattered euery man from his possession.
19 ¶ After hee brought mee thorow the entry which *was* at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers of the Priests, which looked toward the North: and behold, there *was* a place on the two sides Westward.
20 Then said he vnto me, This *is* the place where the Priest shall boile the trespasse offering, and the sinne offering, where they shall bake the meat offering: that they beare *them* not out into the vtter court, to sanctifie the people.
21 Then hee brought mee forth into the outer court, and caused me to passe by the foure corners of the court: and behold, † in euery corner of the court, *there was* a court.
22 In the foure corners of the court, *there were* courts ‖ ioyned of forty *cubites* long, and thirty broad: these foure corners *were* of one measure.
23 And *there was* a new *building* round about in them, round about them foure, and it was made with boyling places vnder the rowes round about.
24 Then said he vnto me; These *are* the places of them that boyle, where the ministers of the house shall boyle the sacrifice of the people.

† *Heb;* a court in a corner of a court and a court in a corner of a court.

‖ *Or,* made with chimneys † *Heb,* coupled.

CHAP. XLVII.

1 The vision of the holy waters: 6 the vse of them. 13 The borders of the land. 22 The diuision of it by lot.

AFterward he brought me againe vnto the dore of the house, & behold, waters issued out from vnder the threshold of the house Eastward: for the forefront of the house *stood* toward the East, and the waters came downe from vnder from the right side of the house, at the South side of the Altar.
2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate Northward, and led me about the way without vnto the vtter gate, by the way that looketh Eastward, and behold, there ran out waters on the right side.
3 And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth Eastward, he measured a thousand cubites, and hee brought me thorow the waters: † the waters *were* to the ancles.
4 Againe he measured a thousand, and brought me thorow the waters; the waters *were* to the knees: againe he measured a thousand, and brought me thorow; the waters *were* to the loynes.
5 Afterward he measured a thousand, *and it was* a riuer that I could not passe ouer: for the waters were risen, † waters to swimme in, a riuer that could not be passed ouer.
6 ¶ And he said vnto me, Son of man, hast thou seene *this?* Then he brought me, and caused me to returne to the brinke of the riuer.

† *Heb;* waters of the ancles

† *Heb;* waters of swimming.

† *Hebr. bp.* * Reuel. 22.2. ‖ *Or, plaine.*

7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the † banke of the riuer *were* very many * trees on the one side, and on the other.

8 Then said he vnto me, These waters issue out toward the East countrey, and goe downe into the ‖ desart, and goe into the sea: *which* being brought forth into the sea the waters shall be healed.

9 And it shall come to passe, *that* euery thing that liueth, which moueth whithersoeuer the † riuers shall come, shall liue, and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed, and euery thing shall liue whither the riuer commeth.

† *Hebr. two riuers.*

10 And it shall come to passe *that* the fishers shall stand vpon it, from Engedi euen vnto En-eglaim: they shall be a place to spread forth nets, their fish shall be according to their kindes, as the fish of the great Sea, exceeding many.

11 But the myrie places thereof, and the marishes thereof, ‖ shall not be healed, they shall be giuen to salt.

‖ *Or, and* ỹ *which shall not be healed.*

12 And by the riuer vpon the banke thereof on this side, and on that side, † shall grow all trees for meat, whose leafe shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth ‖ new fruit according to his moneths, because their waters they issued out of the Sanctuary, and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leafe thereof ‖ for * medicine.

† *Hebr. Shall come vp.* ‖ *Or, principall.* ‖ *Or, for drinke offrings and seruice.* * Reuel. 22.2.

13 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD, This *shall be* the border whereby ye shall inherit the land, according to the twelue tribes of Israel: Ioseph *shall haue* ‖ two portions.

‖ *Or, fwore.*

14 And ye shall inherit it one as well as another: concerning the which ‖ * lifted vp mine hand to giue it vnto your fathers, and this land shall fall vnto you for inheritance.

* Gen. 12. 7. & 17.8. & 26.3. & 28. 13.

15 And this *shall be* the border of the land toward the North side from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men goe to Zedad:

16 Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which *is* betweene the border of Damascus, & the border of Hamath: ‖ Hasor, Hatticon, which *is* by the coast of Hauran.

‖ *Or, the middle village.*

17 And the border from the Sea shall be Hazarenan, the border of Damascus, and the North Northward, and the border of Hamath: and *this is* the North side.

18 And the East side ye shall measure from Hauran, and † from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel *by* Iordane, from the border vnto the East Sea: and *this is* the East side.

† *Hebr. from betweene.*

19 And the South side Southward from Tamar, euen to the waters of ‖ strife in Kadesh the riuer to the great Sea: and *this is* the South side ‖ Southward.

‖ *Or, Meribah.* ‖ *Or, valley.* ‖ *Or toward Teman.*

20 The West side also *shall be* the great Sea from the border, till a man come ouer against Hamath: this *is* the West side.

21 So shall ye diuide this land vnto you according to the tribes of Israel.

22 ¶ And it shall come to passe, *that* ye shall diuide it by lot for an inheritance vnto you, and to the strangers that sojourne among you, which shall beget children among you, and they shall be vnto you, as borne in the country among the children of Israel; they shall haue inheritance with you among the Tribes of Israel.

23 And it shall come to passe, *that* in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye giue *him* his inheritance, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XLVIII.

1. 23. The portions of the twelue tribes. 8 Of the Sanctuary, 15 of the city and suburbs, 21 and of the Prince, 30 the dimensions and gates of the city.

NOw these *are* the name of the Tribes, from the North end to the coast of the way of Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar-enan border of Damascus Northward, to the coast of Hamath (for these are his sides East and West) a *portion* for Dan.

2 And by the border of Dan, from the East side vnto the West, *a portion* for Asher.

3 And by the border of Asher, from the East side euen vnto the West side, *a portion* for Naphtali.

4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the East side vnto the West side, *a portion* for Manasseh.

5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the East side vnto the West side, *a portion* for Ephraim.

6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the East side euen vnto the West side, *a portion* for Reuben.

7 And by the border of Reuben, from the East side vnto the West side, *a portion* for Iudah.

8 ¶ And by the border of Iudah, from the East side to the West side, shall be the offering which they shall offer of fiue and twenty thousand reeds in breadth, and in length, as one of the other portions from the East side vnto the West side, and the Sanctuary shall be in the midst of it.

9 The oblation that ye shall offer vnto the LORD *shall be* of fiue and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

10 And for them *euen* for the Priests shall be this holy oblation toward the North fiue and twenty thousand *in length*, and toward the West ten thousand in breadth, and toward the East ten thousand in breadth, and toward the South fiue and twenty thousand in length, and the Sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.

11 *It shall be* ‖ for the Priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, which haue kept mine ordinance, which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray as the Leuites went astray.

‖ *Or, for the Priests.*

12 And *this* oblation of the land that is offered shall be vnto them a thing most holy by the border of the Leuites.

13 And ouer against the border of the Priests the Leuites *shall haue* fiue and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length *shall be* fiue and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand.

14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the first fruits of the land: for it *is* holy vnto the LORD.

15 ¶ And the fiue thousand that are left in the breadth ouer against the fiue and twenty thousand, shall be a prophane place for the city, for dwelling and for suburbs, and the city shall be in the midst thereof.

16 And these *shall be* the measures thereof; the North side fourre thousand and fiue hundred, and the South side fourre thousand and fiue hundred, and on the East side fourre thousand and fiue hundred, and the West side fourre thousand and fiue hundred.

17 And the suburbs of the city shall be toward the North two hundred and fifty, and toward the South two hundred and fifty, and toward the East two hundred and fifty, and toward the West two hundred and fifty.

18 And the residue in length ouer against the oblation of the holy portion *shall be* ten thousand Eastward, and ten thousand Westward: and it shall be ouer against the oblation of the holy portion; and the increase thereof shall be for food vnto them that serue the city.

19 *And*

19 And they that serue the city, shall serue it out of all the tribes of Israel.

20 All the oblation *shalbe* fiue and twenty thousand by fiue and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foure square, with the possession of the city.

21 ¶ And the residue *shalbe* for the Prince on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation: and of the possession of the city ouer against the fiue and twenty thousand, of the oblation toward the East border, and Westward ouer against the fiue and twenty thousand toward the West border, ouer against the portions for the Prince: and it shall be the holy oblation; and the Sanctuary of the house *shall be* in the midst thereof.

22 Moreouer, from the possession of the Leuites, and from the possession of the city, *being* in the midst of that which is the Princes, betweene the border of Iudah, and the border of Beniamin, shall be for the Prince.

23 As for the rest of the tribes, from the East side vnto the West side: Beniamin *shal haue* † a portion.

24 And by the border of Beniamin, from the East side vnto the West side, Simeon *shall haue a portion.*

25 And by the border of Simeon, from the East side vnto the West side, Issachar *a portion:*

26 And by the border of Issachar, from the East side vnto the West side, Zebulun *a portion:*

27 And by the border of Zebulun, from the East side vnto the West side, Gad *a portion:*

28 And by the border of Gad, at the South side Southward, the border shall be euen from Tamar, *vnto* the waters of † Meribah-Kadesh, *and* to the riuer toward the great sea. † *Or,* Meribah Kadesh.

29 This *is* the land which ye shall diuide by lot vnto the tribes of Israel *for an* inheritance, and these *are* their portions, saith the Lord GOD.

30 ¶ And these *are* the goings out of the city, on the North side foure thousand and fiue hundred measures.

31 And the gates of the city *shall be* after the names of the tribes of Israel, three gates Northward, one gate of Reuben, one gate of Iudah, one gate of Leui.

32 And at the East side foure thousand and fiue hundred: and three gates; and one gate of Ioseph, one gate of Beniamin, one gate of Dan.

33 And at the South side foure thousand and fiue hundred measures, and three gates: one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun.

34 At the West side foure thousand and fiue hundred, *with* their three gates: one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali.

35 *It was* round about eighteene thousand *measures*, and the name of the city from that day *shall be*, † The LORD *is* there. † *Hebr.* Iehouah Shammah.

¶ THE BOOKE OF DANIEL.

CHAP. I.

Iehoiakims captiuity. 3 Ashpenaz taketh Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. 8 They refuse the Kings portion doe prosper with pulse and water. 17 Their excellency in wisedome.

IN the third yeere of the reigne of † Iehoiakim King of Iudah, came Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babylon vnto Ierusalem, and besieged it. † *Hebr.* Iehoiakim.

2 And the Lord gaue Iehoiakim King of Iudah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God, which he carried into the land of Shinar, to † the house of his God: & he brought the vessels into the treasure-house of his god.

3 ¶ And the King spake vnto Ashpenaz the master of his Eunuches, that hee should bring *certaine* of the children of Israel, and of the Kings seed, and of the Princes:

4 Children in whom *was* no blemish, but well fauored, and skilfull in all wisdome, and cunning in knowledge, and vnderstanding science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the kings palace, and whom they might teach the learning, and the tongue of the Caldeans.

5 And the King appointed them a daily prouision of the Kings meat, and of † the wine which he drank: so nourishing them three yeeres, that at the end thereof, they might stand before the King. † *Hebr.* of the wine.

6 Now among these were of the children of Iudah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:

7 Vnto whom the Prince of the Eunuches gaue names: for he gaue vnto Daniel *the name* of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abednego.

8 ¶ But Daniel purposed in his heart, that hee would not defile himselfe with the portion of the Kings meat, nor with the wine which he dranke: therefore hee requested of the Prince of the Eunuches, that he might not defile himselfe.

9 Now God had brought Daniel into fauour and tender loue with the Prince of the Eunuches.

10 And the Prince of the Eunuches said vnto Daniel, I feare my lord the King, who hath appointed your meat and your drinke: for why should he see your faces † worse liking than the children which are of your sort? *then* shall yee make mee endanger my head to the King. † *Hebr.* sadder. *Or,* worse *in* countenance.

11 Then said Daniel to † Melzar, whom the Prince of the Eunuches had set ouer Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. † *Hebr.* the steward.

12 Proone thy seruants, I beseech thee, ten dayes; and let them giue † pulse † to eat, and water to drinke. † *Hebr.* of pulse. † *Hebr.* that we may eate.

13 Then let our countenances be looked vpon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the Kings meat: and as thou seest deale with thy seruants.

14 So hee consented to them in this matter, and proued them ten dayes.

15 And at the end of ten dayes their countenances appeared fairer, and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the Kings meate.

16 Thus Melzar tooke away the portion of their meate, and the wine that they should drinke, and gaue them pulse.

17 ¶ As for these foure children, God gaue them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdome, and Daniel had vnderstanding in all visions and dreames. † *Or,* he made Daniel vnderstand.

18 Now at the end of the dayes that the King had said, hee would bring them in, then the Prince of the Eunuches brought them in before Nebuchad-nezzar.

19 And the King communed with them, and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the King.

†*Hebr. wisedome of vnderstanding.*

20 And in all matters of † wisdome *and* vnderstanding that the King enquired of them, he found them ten times better then all the Magicians, *and* Astrologers, that *were* in all his realme.

21 And Daniel continued euen vnto the first yere of King Cyrus.

CHAP. II.

1 Nebuchad-nezzar forgetting his dreame, requireth it of the Caldeans, by promises and threatnings: 10 They acknowledging their inability, are iudged to die. 14 Daniel obtaining some respite findeth the dreame. 19 He blesseth God. 24 He slaying the Decree, is brought to the King. 31 The dreame. 36 The interpretation. 46 Daniels aduancement.

AND in the second yeere of the reigne of Nebuchad-nezzar, Nebuchad-nezzar dreamed dreames, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleepe brake from him.

2 Then the King commanded to call the Magicians, and the Astrologers, and the Sorcerers, and the Caldeans, for to shew the King his dreames: so they came and stood before the King.

3 And the King said vnto them, I haue dreamed a dreame, and my spirit was troubled to know the dreame.

4 Then spake the Caldeans to the King in Syriacke: *Chap. 3.9. *O King, liue for euer: tell thy seruants the dreame, and we will shew the interpretation.

5 The King answered, and said to the Caldeans, the thing is gone from mee; if yee will not make knowne vnto me the dreame, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be *† cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill. *Chap. 3.29. †*Chald. made pieces.*

6 But if yee shew the dreame, and the interpretation thereof, yee shall receiue of mee gifts and ‖rewards, and great honour: therefore shew mee the dreame, and the interpretation thereof. ‖*Or, Fee.*

7 They answered againe, and said, Let the King tell his seruants the dreame, and wee will shew the interpretation of it. *Chap. 5.17.

8 The King answered, and said, I know of certainty, that ye would † gaine the time, because ye see the thing is gone from mee. †*Cald. buy.*

9 But if ye will not make knowne vnto mee the dreame, *there is but* one decree for you: for ye haue prepared lying and corrupt wordes to speake before mee, till the time bee changed: therefore tell me the dreame, and I shall know that yee can shew me the interpretation thereof.

10 ¶ The Caldeans answered before the King, and said, There is not a man vpon the earth that can shew the Kings matter: therefore there is no king, lord, nor ruler, that asked such things at any Magician, or Astrologer, or Caldean.

11 And *it is* a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the King, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.

12 For this cause the King was angry, and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

13 And the decree went forth, that the wise men should bee slaine, and they sought Daniel and his fellowes to be slaine.

¶ *Cald. returned.*

14 ¶ Then Daniel † answered with counsell and ‖wisedome to Arioch, the ‖Captaine of the Kings *Marshall*, guard, which was gone forth to slay the wisemen of Babylon. †*Or, chiefe* ‖*Cal, chiefe of the executioners*

15 Hee answered and said to Arioch the Kings Captaine, Why is the Decree so hasty from the King? Then Arioch made the thing knowne vnto Daniel.

16 Then Daniel went in and desired of the King that he would giue him time, and that he would shew the King the interpretation.

17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing knowen to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah his companions:

18 That they would desire mercies † of the God of heauen concerning this secret: that Daniel and his fellowes ‖ should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. †*Or,* ‖*should.*

19 ¶ Then was the secret reuealed vnto Daniel in a night vision: Then Daniel blessed the God of heauen.

20 Daniel answered, and said, Blessed be the Name of God for euer and euer: for wisedome and might are his:

21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he remooueth Kings, and setteth vp Kings: he giueth wisedome vnto the wise, and knowledge to them that know vnderstanding.

22 He reuealeth the deepe and secret things: he knoweth what *is* in the darkenesse, and the light dwelleth with him.

23 I thanke thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast giuen me wisedome and might, and hast made knowne vnto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast now made known vnto vs the Kings matter.

24 ¶ Therefore Daniel went in vnto Arioch, whom the King had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon: he went and said thus vnto him, Destroy not the wise men of Babylon: bring me in before the King, and I will shew vnto the King the interpretation.

25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus vnto him, I haue found a man of the † captiues of Iudah, that will make knowne vnto the King the interpretation. †*Or, Iewes.*

26 The King answered and said to Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, Art thou able to make knowne vnto mee the dreame which I haue seene, and the interpretation thereof?

27 Daniel answered in the presence of the King, and said, The secret which the King hath demanded, cannot the Wisemen, the Astrologers, the Magicians, the Southsayers, shew vnto the King:

28 But there is a God in heauen that reuealeth secrets, and † maketh known to King Nebuchad-nezzar what shall be in the latter dayes. Thy dreame, and the visions of thy head vpon thy bed, are these.

29 As for thee, O King, thy thoughts came vp to *thy mind* vpon thy bed, what should come to passe hereafter: and he that reuealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to passe.

30 But as for me, this secret is not reuealed to me for any wisdome that I haue more then any liuing, but for *their* sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the King, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

31 ¶ Thou, O King, † sawest, and behold a great image: this great image, whose brightnesse was excellent, stood before thee, and the forme thereof was terrible. †*Or, wast.*

32 This images head was of fine gold, his breast and his armes of siluer, his belly and his thighes of brasse:

33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron, and part of clay.

34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image vpon his feete of iron and clay, and brake them in pieces.

Then was the iron, the clay, the brasse, the silver, & gold broken to pieces together, & became
the chaffe of the summer threshing floores, and
wind carried the away, that no place was found
them: & the stone that smote the image became
reat mountaine, and filled the whole earth.
¶ This is the dreame, and wee will tell the in-
retation thereof before the King.
Thou, O King, art a King of Kings: for the
d of heauen hath giuen thee a kingdome, power,
trength, and glory:
And wheresoeuer the children of men dwell,
beasts of the field, and the foules of the heauen,
h he giuen into thine hand, and hath made thee
e ouer them all: thou art this head of gold.
And after thee shall arise another kingdome,
iour to thee, and another third kingdome of
se, which shall beare rule ouer all the earth.
And the fourth kingdome shall be strong as
: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces, and
ueth all things; and as iron that breaketh all
shall it breake in pieces and bruise.
And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes,
of potters clay, and part of iron: the king-
shall bee diuided, but there shall be in it of
ength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest
iron mixt with miry clay.
And as the toes of the feet were part of iron,
rt of clay; so the kingdome shall bee partly
g, and partly † broken.
And whereas thou sawest yron mixe with
clay, they shall mingle themselues with the
of men: but they shall not cleaue † one to an-
, euen as iron is not mixed with clay.
And in † the dayes of these Kings shall the
d of heauen set vp a Kingdome, ‖ which shall
be destroyed: and the † Kingdome shall not
t to other people, but it shall breake in pieces
consume all these kingdomes, and it shall stand
er.
Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was
t of the mountaine ‖ without hands, and that
ke in pieces the iron, the brasse, the clay, the
, and the gold: the great God hath made
wne to the King what shall come to passe
reafter, and the dreame is certaine, and the in-
rpretation thereof sure.
¶ Then the King Nebuchad-nezzar fell vpon
ce, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded
they should offer an oblation, and sweet
nts vnto him.
The King answered vnto Daniel, and said,
uthfully it is, that your God is a God of gods,
Lord of kings, and a reuealer of secrets, see-
u couldest reueale this secret.
Then the King made Daniel a great man, and
him many great gifts, and made him ruler
the whole Prouince of Babylon, and * chiefe of
governours ouer all the wise men of Babylon.
Then Daniel requested of the King, and hee
drach, Meshach, and Abednego, ouer the
rs of the prouince of Babylon: but Daniel,
the gate of the King.

CHAP. III.

Nebuchad-nezzar dedicates a golden image in Dura. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, are accused for not worshipping the image. 13 They being cast, make a good confession. 19 God at length deliuers them out of the furnace. 26 Nebuchad-nezzar the miracle, blesseth God.

Ebuchad-nezzar the King made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubites, and the breadth thereof sixe cubites: hee set it vp in the plaine of Dura, in the prouince of Babylon.
2 Then Nebuchad-nezzar the King sent to gather together the Princes, the Gouernors, and the Captaines, the Iudges, the Treasurers, the Counsellers, the Sheriffes, and all the Rulers of the Prouinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchad-nezzar the King had set vp.
3 Then the Princes, the Gouernours, and Captaines, the Iudges, the Treasurers the Counsellers, the Sheriffes, and all the Rulers of the Prouinces, were gathered together vnto the dedication of the image that Nebuchad-nezzar the King had set vp, and they stood before the image that Nebuchad-nezzar had set vp.
4 Then an Herald cryed † aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages:
5 That at what time yee heare the sound of the Cornet, Flute, Harpe, Sackbut, Psaltery, ‖ Dulcimer, and all kinds of Musicke, yee fall downe and worship the golden image that Nebuchad-nezzar the King hath set vp:
6 And whoso falleth not downe and worshippeth, shall the same houre be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.
7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the Cornet, Flute, Harpe, Sackbut, Psaltery, and all kinds of Musicke, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell downe and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchad-nezzar the King had set vp.
8 ¶ Wherefore at that time certaine Caldeans came neere, and accused the Iewes.
9 They spake and said to the King Nebuchad-nezzar, O King, liue for euer.
10 Thou, O King, hast made a decree, that euery man that shal heare the sound of the Cornet, Flute, Harpe, Sackbut, Psaltery, and Dulcimer, and all kinds of Musicke, shall fall downe and worship the golden image:
11 And whoso falleth not downe and worshippeth, that hee should bee cast into the middest of a burning fiery furnace.
12 There are certaine Iewes, whom thou hast set ouer the affaires of the Prouince of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: these men, O King, † haue not regarded thee, they serue not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set vp.
13 ¶ Then Nebuchad-nezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: then they brought these men before the King.
14 Nebuchad-nezzar spake, and said vnto them, Is it ‖ true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego? doe not yee serue my gods, nor worship the golden image which I haue set vp?
15 Now if yee bee ready, that at what time yee heare the sound of the Cornet, Flute, Harpe, Sackbut, Psaltery, and Dulcimer, and all kinds of Musicke, yee fall downe and worship the image which I haue made, well: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same houre into the midst of a fiery furnace: and who is that God that shall deliuer you out of my hands?
16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the King; O Nebuchad-nezzar, we are not carefull to answere thee in this matter.
17 If it be so our God whom wee serue, is able to deliuer vs from the burning fiery furnace, and hee will deliuer vs out of thine hand, O King.
18 But if not, bee it knowne vnto thee, O King, that

† Cald. with might.
† Cald. they command, Or, singing. Cald. Symphonie.
† Cald. haue set no regard vpon thee.
‖ Or, of purpose, as Exodo 21.13.

that we will not serue thy gods, nor worship thy golden image which thou hast set vp.

† Cald. filled. 19 ¶ Then was Nebuchad-nezzar † full of fury, and the forme of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: *therefore* hee spake, and commanded that they should heate the furnace one seuen times more then it was wont to bee heate.

† Cald. mighty of strength. 20 And hee commanded the most † mighty men that were in his army, to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, *and* to cast them into the burning fiery furnace.

‖ Or, mantle. ‖ Or, armours. 21 Then these men were bound in their ‖ coates, their hosen, and their ‖ hats, and their *other* garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

† Cald. word. ‖ Or, spark 22 Therefore because the King † commandement was vrgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the ‖ flame of the fire slew those men that tooke vp Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell downe bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then Nebuchad-nezzar the King was astonied, and arose vp in haste, *and* spake, and said vnto his ‖ Counsellers, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered, and said vnto the King, True, O King.

‖ Or, gouernours. 25 Hee answered and said, Loe, I see foure men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and † they haue no hurt, and the forme of the fourth, is like the Sonne of God.

† Cald. there is no hurt in them. † Cald. doore. 26 ¶ Then Nebuchad-nezzar came neere to the † mouth of the burning fiery furnace, *and* spake, and said Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, ye seruants of the most High God, come forth and come *hither*. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, came foorth of the midst of the fire.

27 And the Princes, Gouernours, and Captaines, and the Kings Counsellers, being gathered together, saw these men vpon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an haire of their head singed, neither were their coates changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

† Cald, a decree is made by me. † Cald. arm our. * Chap. 2.5. † Cald. made pieces. † Cald. made to proper. 28 *Then* Nebuchad-nezzar spake, and said, Blessed *be* the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his Angel, and deliuered his seruants that trusted in him, and haue changed the Kings word, & yeelded their bodies, that they might not serue nor worship any god, except their owne God.

29 Therefore † I make a Decree, that euery people, nation, and language, which speake † any thing amisse against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shalbe * † cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill, because there is no other God that can deliuer after this sort.

30 Then the king † promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the prouince of Babylon.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Nebuchad-nezzar confesseth Gods Kingdome, 4 maketh relation of his dreams, which the Magi vnto could not interpret. 8 Daniel heareth the dreame. 19 He interpreteth it. 28 The story of the euent.

† Cald. it was seemely before me * Chap. 2.34. NEbuchad-nezzar the King, vnto all people, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied vnto you.

2 † I thought it good to shew the signes and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward mee.

3 How great *are* his signes? and how mightie *are* his wonders? his kingdome *is* * an euerlasting kingdome, and his dominion *is* from generation to generation.

4 ¶ I Nebuchad-nezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:

5 I saw a dreame, which made me afraid, and the thoughts vpon my bed, and the visions of my head troubled mee.

6 Therefore made I a Decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make knowne vnto me the interpretation of the dreame.

7 Then came in the Magicians, the Astrologers, the Caldeans, and the Southsayers: and I told the dreame before them; but they did not make knowne vnto me the interpretation thereof.

8 ¶ But at the last Daniel came in before me, (whose name was Belteshazzar, according to the Name of my God, & in whom is the spirit of the holy Gods) and before him I told the dreame, saying,

9 O Belteshazzar, * Master of the Magicians, because I know that the Spirit of the holy Gods is in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dreame that I haue seene, and the interpretation thereof.

10 Thus were the visions of mine head in my bed: † I saw, and behold, a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof was great.

11 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached vnto heauen, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth.

12 The leaues thereof were faire, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meate for all: the beasts of the field had shadow vnder it, and the fowles of the heauen dwelt in the boughes thereof, and all flesh was fed of it.

13 I saw in the visions of mine head vpon my bed, and behold, a watcher, and an holy One came downe from heauen:

14 He cryed † aloud and said thus, Hew downe the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaues, and scatter his fruit, let the beast get away from vnder it, and the fowles from his branches.

15 Nuerthelesse, leaue the stumpe of his roots in the earth, euen with a band of yron and of brasse in the tender grasse of the field, and let him be wet with the dew of heauen, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grasse of the earth.

16 Let his heart be changed from mans, and let a beasts heart be giuen vnto him, and let seuen times passe ouer him.

17 This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy Ones: to the intent that the liuing may know, that the most High ruleth in the kingdome of men, and giueth it to whomsoeuer hee will, and setteth vp ouer it the basest of men.

18 This dreame, I King Nebuchad-nezzar haue seene: Now thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof, forasmuch as all the wise men of my kingdome are not able to make known vnto me the interpretation: but thou art able, for the spirit of the holy Gods is in thee.

19 ¶ Then Daniel (whose name was Belteshazzar) was astonied for one houre, and his thoughts troubled him: The King spake and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dreame or the interpretation of it trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dreame *be* to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.

20 The tree that thou sawest, which grew and was strong, whose height reached vnto the heauen, and the sight thereof to all the earth:

21 Whose leaues were faire, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meate for all, vnder

easts of the field dwelt, and vpon whose branches the foules of the heauen had their habitation:
21 It is thou, O king that art growne and become strong: for thy greatnes is growne & reacheth vnto heauen, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.
22 And whereas the King saw a watcher, and an holy one comming downe from heauen, and saying, Hew the tree downe, and destroy it, yet leaue the stocke of the roots thereof in the earth, euen with a band of yron and brasse in the tender grasse of the field, and let it be wet with the dew of heauen, and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till seuen times passe ouer him:
23 This is the interpretation, O King, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come vpon my lord the King:
24 That they shall * driue thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee to eat grasse as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heauen, and seuen times shall passe ouer thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdome of men, and giueth it to whomsoeuer he will.
25 And whereas they commanded to leaue the stocke of the tree roots; thy kingdome shall be sure vnto thee, after that thou shalt haue knowne that the heauens doe rule.
26 Wherefore, O King let my counsell be acceptable vnto thee, and breake off thy sinnes by righteousnesse, and thine iniquities, by shewing mercy to the poore; if it may be a ‖ lengthening of thy tranquillity.
27 All this came vpon ¶ king Nebuchadnezzar.
28 At the end of twelue moneths he walked ‖ in the Palace of the kingdome of Babylon.
29 The king spake and said, Is not this great Babylon that I haue built for the house of the kingdome by the might of my power, and for the honour of my maiesty?
30 While the word was in the Kings mouth, there fell a voyce from heauen, *saying*, O King, Nebuchadnezzar to thee it is spoken, The kingdome is departed from thee.
31 And they shall driue thee from men, and thy dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the field; they shall make thee to eat grasse as oxen; and seuen times shall passe ouer thee, vntill thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdome of men, and giueth it to whomsoeuer he will.
32 The same houre was the thing fulfilled vpon Nebuchadnezzar, & he was driuen from men, and did eat grasse as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heauen, till his haires were growne like eagles *feathers*, and his nailes like birds *clawes*.
33 And at the end of the dayes, I Nebuchadnezzar lift vp mine eies vnto heauen and mine vnderstanding returned vnto me, and I blessed the most high, and I praised, & honoured him that liueth for euer, whose dominion *is* * an euerlasting dominion, and his kingdome *is* from generation to generation.
34 And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doth according to his will in the army of heauen, and *among* the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say vnto him, What doest thou?
35 At the same time my reason returned vnto me, and for the glory of my kingdome, mine honour and brightnesse returned vnto mee, and my counsellers, and my lords sought vnto me, and I was established in my kingdome, and excellent maiesty was added vnto mee.
36 Now I Nebuchad-nezzar, praise and extoll and honour the King of heauen, all whose workes *are* truth, and his wayes iudgement, and those that walke in pride he is able to abase.

CHAP. V.

1 *Belshazzars impious feast.* 5 *A hand writing vnknowne to the Magicians, troubleth the king.* 10 *At the commendation of the Queene, Daniel is brought.* 17 *Hee reproueth the King of pride and idolatry,* 25 *readeth and interpreteth the writing.* 30 *The Monarchie is translated to the Medes.*

1 BElshazzar the King made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and dranke wine before the thousand.
2 Belshazzar whiles he tasted the wine commanded to bring the golden and siluer vessels which his father Nebuchad-nezzar had † taken out of the Temple which *was* in Ierusalem, that the King and his Princes, his wiues, and his concubines might drinke therein.
3 Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the Temple of the house of God which *was* at Ierusalem, & the King and his Princes his wiues and his concubines dranke in them.
4 They dranke wine, & praised the gods of gold, and of siluer, of brasse, of yron, of wood, & of stone.
5 ¶ In the same houre came forth fingers of a mans hand, and wrote ouer against the candlesticke vpon the plaister of the wall of the Kings palace, and the King saw the part of the hand that wrote.
6 Then the Kings † countenance was changed, and his thoughts troubled him so, that the ‖ ioynts of his loynes were loosed, and his knees smote one against another.
7 The King cryed † aloud to bring in the Astrologers, the Caldeans, and the Soothsayers: *and* the King spake and said to the wise men of Babylon, Whosoeuer shall reade this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with scarlet, and *haue* a chaine of gold about his necke, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdome.
8 Then came in all the Kings wisemen, but they could not reade the writing, nor make knowne to the King the interpretation thereof.
9 Then was King Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his † countenance was changed in him: and his lords were astonied.
10 ¶ Now the queene, by reason of the words of the king and his lords, came into the banket house, *and* the Queene spake and said, O King, liue for euer: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed.
11 * There is a man in thy kingdome, in whom *is* the Spirit of the holy Gods, and in the dayes of thy ‖ father, light and vnderstanding, and wisedom like the wisedome of the gods was found in him: whom the King Nebuchad-nezzar ‖ thy father, the King, *I say*, thy father made * master of the Magicians, Astrologers, Caldeans, *and* Soothsayers,
12 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge & vnderstanding, interpreting of dreames, and shewing of hard sentences, and ‖ dissoluing of † doubts were found in the same Daniel, whom the King named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.
13 Then was Daniel brought in before the King. *and* the King spake, and said vnto Daniel, *Art* thou that Daniel which *art* of the children of the captiuity of Iudah, whom the King my ‖ father brought out of Iewry?
14 I haue euen heard of thee, that the spirit of the Gods *is* in thee, and *that* light and vnderstanding, and excellent wisedom is found in thee.

15 And

† Or, brought forth.
† Or, changed it.
† Or, gir. dles. ‖ Or, bindings, or knots.
¶ Or, with mayde.
† Or, purple.
† Or, brightnes.
* Chap. 2. 48.
‖ Or, grand-father.
‖ Or, grand-father.
* Chap. 4. 6. ‖ Or, of an vnexpositer, &c.
‖ Or, of a dissoluer.
† Or, knots.
‖ Or, grand-father.

that we will not ſerue thy gods, nor worſhip thy golden image which thou haſt ſet vp.

† Cald. filled. 19 ¶ Then was Nebuchad-nezzar † full of fury, and the forme of his viſage was changed againſt Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego: *therefore* hee ſpake, and commanded that they ſhould heate the furnace one ſeuen times more then it was wont to bee heat.

† Cald. mighty of ſtrength. 20 And hee commanded the moſt † mighty men that were in his army, to bind Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, *and* to caſt them into the burning fiery furnace.

‖ Or, mantle. ‖ Or, ſurbant. † Cald. word. ‖ Or, ſpark 21 Then theſe men were bound in their ‖ coates, their hoſen, and their ‖ hats, and their *other* garments, and were caſt into the midſt of the burning fiery furnace.

22 Therefore becauſe the Kings † commandement was vrgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the ‖ flame of the fire ſlew thoſe men that caſt vp Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego.

23 And theſe three men, Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, fell downe bound into the midſt of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then Nebuchad-nezzar the King was aſtonied, and aroſe vp in haſte, *and* ſpake, and ſaid vnto his ‖ Counſellers, Did not we caſt three men bound into the midſt of the fire? They anſwered, and ſaid vnto the King; True, O King.

‖ Or, gouernours. † Cald. there is no hurt in them. † Cald. doore. 25 Hee anſwered and ſaid, Loe, I ſee foure men looſe, walking in the midſt of the fire, and † they haue no hurt, and the forme of the fourth, is like the Sonne of God.

26 ¶ Then Nebuchad-nezzar came neere to the † mouth of the burning fiery furnace, *and* ſpake, and ſaid Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, ye ſeruants of the moſt High God, come forth and come *hither*. Then Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, came foorth of the midſt of the fire.

27 And the Princes, Gouernours, and Captaines, and the Kings Counſellers, being gathered together, ſaw theſe men vpon whoſe bodies the fire had no power, nor was an haire of their head ſinged, neither were their coates changed, nor the ſmell of fire had paſſed on them.

† Cald. a decree is made by me. † Cald. errour. * Chap. 2.5. † Cald. made pieces. † Cald. made to proyner. 28 *Then* Nebuchad-nezzar ſpake, and ſaid, Bleſſed *be* the God of Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, who hath ſent his Angel, and deliuered his ſeruants that truſted in him, and haue changed the Kings word, & yeelded their bodies, that they might not ſeru nor worſhip any god, except their owne God.

29 Therefore † I make a Decree, that euery people, nation, and language, which ſpeake † any thing amiſſe againſt the God of Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, ſhalbe * † cut in pieces, and their houſes ſhall be made a dunghill, becauſe there is no other God that can deliuer after this ſort.

30 Then the king † promoted Shadrach, Meſhach, and Abednego, in the prouince of Babylon.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Nebuchad-nezzar confeſſeth Gods Kingdome, 4 maketh relation of his dreames, which the Magi vns could not interpret. 8 Daniel heareth the dreame. 19 He interpreteth it. 28 The ſtory of the euent.

† Cald. it was ſeemely before me * Chap. 3.34. NEbuchad-nezzar the King, vnto all people, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied vnto you.

2 † I thought it good to ſhew the ſignes and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward mee.

3 How great *are* his ſignes? and how mightie *are* his wonders? his kingdome *is* * an euerlaſting kingdome, and his dominion *is* from generation to generation.

4 ¶ I Nebuchad-nezzar was at reſt in mine houſe, and flouriſhing in my palace.

5 I ſaw a dreame, which made me afraid, and the thoughts vpon my bed, and the viſions of my head troubled mee.

6 Therefore made I a Decree to bring in all the wiſe men of Babylon before me, that they might make knowne vnto me the interpretation of the dreame.

7 Then came in the Magicians, the Aſtrologers, the Caldeans, and the Southſayers: and I told the dreame before them; but they did not make knowne vnto me the interpretation thereof.

8 ¶ But at the laſt Daniel came in before me, (whoſe name was Belteſhazzar, according to the Name of my God, & in whom is the ſpirit of the holy Gods) and before him I told the dreame, *and ſaid*,

9 O Belteſhazzar, * Maſter of the Magicians, becauſe I know that the Spirit of the holy Gods is in thee, and no ſecret troubleth thee, declare the viſions of my dreame that I haue ſeene, and the interpretation thereof.

10 Thus *were* the viſions of mine head in my bed: † I ſaw, and behold, a tree in the midſt of the earth, and the height thereof *was* great.

11 The tree grew, and was ſtrong, and the height thereof reached vnto heauen, and the ſight thereof to the end of all the earth.

12 The leaues thereof were faire, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meate for all: the beaſts of the field had ſhadow vnder it, and the fowles of the heauen dwelt in the boughes thereof, and all fleſh was fed of it.

13 I ſaw in the viſions of mine head vpon my bed, and behold, a watcher, and an holy One came downe from heauen.

14 He cryed † aloud, and ſaid thus, Hew downe the tree, and cut off his braunches, ſhake off his leaues, and ſcatter his fruit, let the beaſts get away from vnder it, and the fowles from his branches.

15 Neuertheleſſe, leaue the ſtumpe of his roots in the earth, euen with a band of yron and braſſe, in the tender graſſe of the field, and let it be wet with the dew of heauen, and let his portion be with the beaſts in the graſſe of the earth.

16 Let his heart be changed from mans, and let beaſts heart be giuen vnto him, and let ſeuen times paſſe ouer him.

17 This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy Ones: to the intent that the liuing may know that the moſt High ruleth in the kingdome of men, and giueth it to whomſoeuer hee will, and ſetteth vp ouer it the baſeſt of men.

18 This dreame, I King Nebuchad-nezzar haue ſeene: Now thou, O Belteſhazzar, declare the interpretation thereof, foraſmuch as all the wiſe men of my kingdome are not able to make knowne vnto me the interpretation: but thou art able, for the ſpirit of the holy Gods is in thee.

19 ¶ Then Daniel (whoſe name was Belteſhazzar) was aſtonied for one houre, and his thoughts troubled him. The King ſpake and ſaid Belteſhazzar, let not the dreame or the interpretation thereof trouble thee. Belteſhazzar anſwered and ſaid, My lord, the dreame *be* to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.

20 The tree that thou ſaweſt, which grew and was ſtrong, whoſe height reached vnto the heauen, and the ſight thereof to all the earth:

21 Whoſe leaues were faire, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meate for all, vnder

...ast of the field dwelt; and vpon whose bran-
...the foules of the heauen had their habitation:
...it is thou, O king that art growne and become
...for thy greatnes is growne & reacheth vnto
...en, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.
...And whereas the King saw a watcher, and an
...one comming downe from heauen, and saying,
...the tree downe, and destroy it, yet leaue the
...e of the roots thereof in the earth, euen with
...of yron and brasse in the tender grasse of
...eld, and let it be wet with the dew of heauen,
...let his portion be with the beasts of the field,
...euen times passe ouer him:
...This is the interpretation, O King, and this is
...Decree of the most High, which is come vpon
...my Lord the King:
...That they shall * driue thee from men, and
...dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field,
...shall make thee to eat grasse as oxen, and they
...wet thee with the dew of heauen, and seuen
...shall passe ouer thee, till thou know that the
...Most High ruleth in the kingdome of men, and gi-
...it to whomsoeuer he will.
...And whereas they commanded to leaue the
...e of the tree roots; thy kingdome shall be e-
...unto thee, after that thou shalt haue knowne
...the heauens doe rule.
...Wherefore, O King let my counsell be accep-
...unto thee, and breake off thy sinnes by righte-
...ousnesse, and thine iniquities, by shewing mercy to
...poore; if it may be a ‖ lengthening of thy tran-
...quility.
...All this came vpon ‡ king Nebuchadnezzar.
...At the end of twelue moneths he walked ‖ in
...Palace of the kingdome of Babylon.
...The king spake and said, Is not this great Ba-
...bylon that I haue built for the house of the king-
...dome by the might of my power, and for the honor
...of my maiesty?
...While the word *was* in the Kings mouth,
...there fell a voyce from heauen, *saying*, O King, Nebu-
...chadnezzar to thee it is spoken, The kingdome
...is departed from thee.
...And they shall driue thee from men, and thy
...dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the field; they
...shall make thee to eat grasse as oxen; and seuen
...times shall passe ouer thee, vntill thou know that
...the most High ruleth in the kingdome of men, and
...giueth it to whomsoeuer he will.
...The same houre was the thing fulfilled vpon
...Nebuchadnezzar, & he was driuen from men, and
...did eat grasse as oxen, and his body was wet with
...the dew of heauen, till his haires were growne like
...eagles *feathers*, and his nailes like birds *clawes*.
...And at the end of the dayes, I Nebuchad-nez-
...zar lift vp mine eies vnto heauen and mine vnder-
...standing returned vnto me, and I blessed the most
...High, and I praised, & honoured him that liueth for
...euer, whose dominion *is* * an euerlasting dominion,
...and his kingdome *is* from generation to generation.
...And all the inhabitants of the earth are repu-
...ted as nothing: and he doth according to his will
...in the army of heauen, and *among* the inhabitants
...of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say vn-
...to him, What doest thou?
...At the same time my reason returned vnto
...me, and for the glory of my kingdome, mine ho-
...nour and brightnesse returned vnto mee, and my
...counsellers, and my lords sought vnto me, and I
...was established in my kingdome, and excellent ma-
...iesty was added vnto mee.
...Now I Nebuchad-nezzar ‖ praise and extoll
...and honour the King of heauen, all whose workes
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...walke in pride he is able to abase.

CHAP. v.

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3 Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the Temple of the house of God which *was* at Ierusalem, & the King and his Princes, his wiues and his concubines dranke in them.

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10 ¶ Now the queene, by reason of the words of the King and his lords, came into the banket house, *and* the Queene spake and said, O King; liue for euer: let not thy thoughes trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed.

11 * There is a man in thy kingdome, in whom is the Spirit of the holy Gods, and in the dayes of thy † father, light, and vnderstanding, and wisedom like the wisedome of the gods was found in him: whom the King Nebuchad-nezzar thy father, the King, *I say*, thy father made * master of the Magicians, Astrologers, Caldeans, *and* Soothsayers.

12 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge & vnderstanding, interpreting of dreames, and shewing of hard sentences, and ‖ dissoluing of † doubts were found in the same Daniel, whom the King named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.

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14 I haue euen heard of thee, that the spirit of the Gods *is* in thee, and *that* light and vnderstanding, and excellent wisedom is found in thee.

15 And

† *Cald. brought forth.*

† *Cald. brightnesse.*
† *Cald. changed it.*
‖ *Or, girdles. Cald. bindings, or knots,*
ſ *Cald. with purple.*
† *Cald. brightnesse.*

* *Chap. 2.48.*
‖ *Or, grandfather.*
‖ *Or, grandfather.*
* *Chap. 4.6.*
‖ *Or, of an interpreter, &c.*
‖ *Or, a dissoluer.*
† *Cald. knots.*
‖ *Or, grandfather.*

15 And now the wise men the Astrologers haue beene brought in before me that they should reade this writing, and make knowne vnto me the interpretation thereof but they could not shew the interpretation of the thing.

16 And I haue heard of thee, that thou canst make interpretations, and dissolue doubts: now if thou canst reade the writing, and make knowne to mee the interpretation thereof, thou shalt bee clothed with scarlet, and haue a chaine of gold about thy neck, and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdome.

17 ¶ Then Daniel answered, and said before the King, Let thy gifts be to thy selfe, and giue thy rewards to another, yet I will reade the writing vnto the king, & make knowne to him the interpretation.

18 O thou King, the most high God gaue Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdome, and maiestie, and glory, and honour.

19 And for the maiestie that he gaue him all people, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew, and whom he would, he kept aliue, and whom he would, he set vp, and whom he would, he put downe.

20 But when his heart was lifted vp, and his mind hardened in pride: hee was deposed from his kingly throne, and they tooke his glory from him.

21 And he was driuen from the sonnes of men, and his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling was with the wilde asses: they fed him with grasse like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heauen, till he knew that the most high God ruled in the kingdome of men, and that he appointeth ouer it whomsoeuer he will.

22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this:

23 But hast lifted vp thy selfe against the Lord of heauen, and they haue brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou and thy lords, thy wiues and thy concubines haue drunke wine in them, and thou hast praised the gods of siluer & gold, of brasse, yron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor heare, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy wayes, hast thou not glorified.

24 Then was the part of the hand sent from him, and this writing was written.

25 ¶ And this is the writing that was written: MENE, MENE, TEKEL VPHARSIN.

26 This is the interpretation of the thing, MENE, God hath numbred thy kingdome, and finished it.

27 TEKEL, thou art weighed in the ballances, and art found wanting.

28 PERES, thy kingdome is diuided, and giuen to the Medes and Persians.

29 Then commanded Belshazzar, & they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and put a chaine of gold about his neck, & made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdome.

30 ¶ In that night was Belshazzar the King of the Caldeans slaine.

31 And Darius the Median tooke the kingdome, being about threescore and two yeere old.

CHAP. VI.

1 Daniel is made chiefe of the Presidents. 4 They conspiring against him, obtaine an idolatrous decree. 10 Daniel accused of the breach thereof, is cast into the lyons den. 18 Daniel is saued. 24 His accusers deuoured, 25 and God magnified by a decree.

IT pleased Darius to set ouer the kingdome an hundred and twenty Princes, which should bee ouer the whole kingdome.

2 And ouer these three presidents, (of whom Daniel was first) that the Princes might giue account vnto them, and the king should haue no damage.

3 Then this Daniel was preferred aboue the Presidents, and Princes, because an excellent spirit was in him, and the king thought to set him ouer the whole realme.

4 ¶ Then the Presidents and Princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdome, but they could finde none occasion nor fault, forasmuch as he was faithfull, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

5 Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him, concerning the Law of his God.

6 Then these Presidents and Princes assembled together to the King, and thus spake vnto him: King Darius, liue for euer.

7 All the Presidents of the kingdome, the gouernours and the Princes, the Councellers and Captaines haue consulted together to establish a royall statute, and to make a firme decree, that whosoeuer shall aske a petition of any god or man for thirty dayes, saue of thee, O King, he shall be cast into the den of lyons.

8 Now, O King, establish the decree and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the Law of the Medes & Persians which altereth not.

9 Wherefore King Darius signed the writing and the Decree.

10 ¶ Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, hee went into his house, and his windowes being open in his chamber toward Ierusalem, he kneeled vpon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gaue thankes before his God, as he did afore time.

11 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying, and making supplication before his God.

12 Then they came neere, and spake before the King, concerning the King's Decree, Hast thou not signed a decree, that euery man that shall make request of any god or man within thirty dayes, saue of thee, O King, shall be cast into the den of lyons? The King answered, and said, The thing is true, according to the Law of the Medes and Persians which altereth not.

13 Then answered they, and said before the King, That Daniel which is of the captiuity of the children of Iudah, regardeth not thee, O King, nor the Decree that thou hast signed, but maketh his request three times a day.

14 Then the King when he heard these words was sore displeased with himselfe, & set his heart on Daniel to deliuer him: and he laboured till the going downe of the Sunne to deliuer him.

15 Then those men assembled vnto the King, and said vnto the King, Know, O King, that the Lawes of the Medes and Persians is, That no decree nor statute which the King establisheth, may be changed.

16 Then the King commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lyons. The King spake, and said vnto Daniel, The God whom thou seruest continually, he will deliuer thee.

17 And a stone was brought, and laid vpon the mouth of the den, and the King sealed it with his owne signet, & with the signet of his Lords, that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.

18 ¶ Then the King went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were instruments of musicke brought before him, and his sleepe went from him.

19 Then the King arose very early in the morning, and went in haste vnto the den of lyons.

And when he came to the den, he cryed with a
mentable voice vnto Daniel, *and* the King spake
d said to Daniel, O Daniel, seruant of the liuing
, is thy God whom thou seruest continually
e deliuer thee from the Lyons?
Then said Daniel vnto the King, O King liue
er.
My God hath sent his Angel, and hath shut the
mouthes, that they haue not hurt me: foral-
as before him innocencie was found in me:
also before thee, O king, haue I done no hurt.
Then was the King exceeding glad for him,
commanded that they should take Daniel vp
of the den: so Daniel was taken vp out of the
, and no manner of hurt was found vpon him,
he believed in his God.
¶ And the King commanded, and they brought
men which had accused Daniel, and they cast
into the den of Lyons, them, their children,
their wiues: and the Lyons had the mastery of
m, and brake all their bones in pieces or euer
came at the bottom of the den.
¶ Then King Darius wrote vnto all people,
ions and languages, that dwell in all the earth,
e be multiplied vnto you.
I make a Decree, that in euery dominion of
kingdome, men tremble and feare before the
d of Daniel: for he *is* the liuing God, and stedfa-
for euer, and his kingdome *shall* which shall
be destroyed, and his dominion *shall be* euen
to the end.
He deliuereth and rescueth, and he worketh
ns and wonders in heauen and in earth: who hath
ued Daniel from the † power of the Lyons.
So this Daniel prospered in the reigne of Da-
, and in the reigne of Cyrus the Persian.

CHAP. VII.

Daniels vision of fiue beasts. 9 *Of Gods iudg-
ment.* 15 *The interpretation thereof.*

In the first yeere of Belthazzar King of Babylon,
Daniel had a dreame, and visions of his head
vpon his bed: then he wrote the dreame, *and* told
the summe of the matters.
Daniel spake, and said, I saw in my vision by
ght, and behold, the foure windes † of the heauen
ke vp on the great Sea.
And foure great beasts came vp from the Sea,
ering one from another.
The first was like a lyon, & *had* Eagles wings:
beheld till the wings thereof were pluckt, & it
s lifted vp from the earth, and made to stand vpon
feet as a man, and a mans heart was giuen to it.
And behold another beast, a second like to a
ar, and it raysed vp it selfe on one side, and it
d three ribs in the mouth of it betweene the
eth of it: and they said thus vnto it, Arise, de-
ure much flesh.
After this I beheld, and loe, another like
Leopard, which *had* vpon the backe of it foure
ings of a foule, the beast *had* also foure heads,
dominion was giuen to it.
After this I saw in the night visions, and be-
old, a fourth beast, dreadfull and terrible, and
ong exceedingly, and it had great yron teeth:
deuoured, and brake in pieces, and stamped the
due with the feete of it, and it was diuers from
the beasts that *were* before it, and it had ten
rnes.
I considered the hornes, and behold, there came
among them another little horne, before whom
ree were three of the first hornes plucked vp by the
ots: and behold, in this horne *were* eyes like the
eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.
9 ¶ I beheld, till the thrones were cast downe,
and the ancient of dayes did sit, whose garment
was white as snow, and the haire of his head like
the pure wooll, his throne *was* like the fiery flame,
and his wheeles as burning fire.
10 A fiery streame issued, and came forth from
before him: * thousand thousands ministred vnto *Reuel.
him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood be- 5. 11.
fore him, the iudgement was set, and the * bookes *Reuel.
were opened. 22. 12.
11 I beheld then, because of the voyce of the
great words which the horne spake, I beheld, euen
till the beast was slaine, and his body destroyed, and
giuen to the burning flame.
12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had
their dominion taken away: † yet their liues were † *Chald.* a
prolonged for a season and time. *prolong-*
13 I saw in the night visions, and behold *one* like *ing in life*
the Sonne of man came with the clouds of heauen, *was giuen*
and came to the ancient of dayes, and they brought *them.*
him neere before him.
14 And there was giuen him dominion & glory,
and a kingdome, that all people, nations, and lan-
guages should serue him: his dominion * *is* an euer- *Chap.
lasting dominion, which shall not passe away: and 2. 44.
his kingdome *that* which shall not be destroyed. micha. 4. 7.
15 ¶ I Daniel was grieued in my spirit in the luke 1. 33.
middest of my † body, and the visions of my head † *Chald.*
troubled me. *beast.*
16 I came neere vnto one of them that stood by,
and asked him the truth of all this: so he told me,
& made me know the interpretation of the things.
17 These great beasts which are foure, *are* foure
Kings *which* shall arise out of the earth.
18 But the Saints of the † most High shall take † *Chald.*
the kingdome, and possesse the kingdome for euer, *highones,*
euen for euer and euer. *that is,*
19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth *Angels, or*
beast, which was diuers † from all the others ex- *places.*
ceeding dreadfull, whose teeth were of yron, and † *Chald.*
his nailes of braße, *which* deuoured, brake in pie- *from all*
ces and stamped the residue with his feete. *the*
20 And of the ten hornes that were in his head, *beast.*
and of the other which came vp, and before whom
three fell, euen of that horne that had eyes, and a
mouth that spake very great things, whose looke
was more stout then his fellowes.
21 I beheld, and the same horne made warre with the Saints, and preuailed against them:
22 Vntil the ancient of dayes came, and iudge-
ment was giuen to the Saints of the most High: *and* the time came that the Saints possessed the kingdome.
23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdome vpon earth, which shall be diuers from all kingdomes, and shall deuoure the whole earth, & shall treade it down, and breake it in pieces.
24 And the ten hornes out of this kingdome, are ten King, that shall arise: and another shall arise after them, and he shall be diuers from the first, and he shall subdue three Kings.
25 And he shall speake great words against the most High, and shall weare out the Saints of the most High, and think to change times and lawes: and they shall be giuen into his hand, vntill a time and times, and the diuiding of time.
26 But the iudgement shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume, and to destroy it vnto the end.
27 And the * kingdome and dominion, and the greatnes of the kingdome vnder the whole heauen, shall *Luk. 1.

shalbe giuen to the people of ‖ Saints of the most High, whose kingdome is an euerlasting kingdome, and all ‖ dominions shall serue and obey him.

‖Or, rulers.

28 Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Daniels vision of the Ram and hee Goat. 13 The two thousand three hundred dayes of sacrifice. 15 Gabriel comforteth Daniel, and interpreteth the vision.

IN the third yeere of the reigne of King Belthazzar, a vision appeared vnto me, *euen* vnto me Daniel, after that which appeared vnto me at the first.

2 And I saw in a vision (and it came to passe when I saw that I *was* at Shushan *in* the palace, which *is* in the prouince of Elam) and I saw in a vision, and I was by the riuer of Vlai.

3 Then I lifted vp mine eies, and saw, & behold, there stood before the riuer a ram which *had* two hornes, and the two hornes *were* high: but one *was* †*Heb. the second.* higher then † the other, and the higher came vp last.

4 I saw the ram pushing Westward, and Northward, and Southwards: so that no beasts might stand before him, neither *was* there any that could deliuer out of his hand, but hee did according to his ‖Or, none touched him in the earth. †Heb. an horne of sight. * Chap. 11.4. *Psal. 48. 2. ezek. 20. 6. Or, against the hoste. Or, against. Or, from him.* will, and became great.

5 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the West, on the face of the whole earth, and ‖ touched not the ground: and the goat had † a notable horne betweene his eies.

6 And he came to the ram that had two hornes, which I had seene standing before the riuer, and ran vnto him in the fury of his power.

7 And I saw him come close vnto the ram, and he was moued with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two hornes, and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but hee cast him downe to the ground, and stamped vpon him, and there was none that could deliuer the ram out of his hand.

8 Therefore the hee goat waxed very great, and when he was strong, the great horne was broken: and for it came vp foure notable ones, * toward the foure windes of heauen.

‖Or, the hoste was giuen ouer *for the transgression against the daily sacrifice.* ‖The number of sacrifices or the wonderfull numberer Heb. Palmoni. ‖Or, making desolate. †Heb. euening morning. ‖Heb. iustified,

9 And out of one of them came forth a little horne, which waxed exceeding great, toward the South, and toward the East, and toward the * pleasant land

10 And it waxed great, euen ‖ to the hoste of heauen: and it cast downe *some* of the hoste, and of the starres to the ground, and stamped vpon them.

11 Yea, he magnified *himselfe* euen ‖ to the Prince of the hoste, & ‖ by him the daily *sacrifice* was taken away, & the place of his Sanctuary was cast downe.

12 And ‖ an hoste was giuen *him* against the daily *sacrifice*, by reason of transgression, and it cast downe the truth to the ground, and it practised and prospered.

13 ¶ Then I heard one Saint speaking, and another Saint said vnto ‖ that certaine *Saint* which spake, How long *shall bee* the vision concerning the daily *sacrifice*, and the transgression ‖ of desolation to giue both the Sanctuary and the hoste, to be troden vnder foot?

14 And he said vnto me, Vnto two thousand and three hundred † dayes: then shall the Sanctuary be † cleansed.

15 ¶ And it came to passe when I, *euen* I Daniel, had seene the vision, and sought for the meaning, then behold, there stood before mee as the appearance of a man.

16 And I heard a mans voice between the banks of Vlai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to vnderstand the vision.

17 So hee came neere where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell vpon my face: but he said vnto me, Vnderstand, O sonne of man: for at the time of the end *shall be* the vision.

18 Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deepe sleepe on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and † set me vpright.

19 And he said, behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end *shall be*.

20 The ram which thou sawest, hauing two hornes, *are* the Kings of Media and Persia.

21 And the rough goat is the King of Grecia: and the great horne that is betweene his eies is the first King.

22 Now that being broken, whereas foure stood vp for it, foure kingdomes shall stand vp out of the nation, but not in his power.

23 And in the latter time of their kingdome, when the transgressors † are come to the full, a King of fierce countenance, and vnderstanding dark sentences shall stand vp.

24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his owne power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty, and the † holy people.

25 And through his policie also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand, and he shall magnify *himselfe* in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand vp against the Prince of Princes, but he shall be broken without hand.

26 And the vision of the euening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou vp the vision, for it *shall be* for many dayes.

27 And I Daniel fainted, and was sicke certaine dayes, afterward I rose vp, and did the kings businesse, and I was astonished at the vision, but none vnderstood it.

CHAP. IX.

1 Daniel confessing the sinne of the people, maketh confession of his owne, & prayeth for the restauration of Ierusalem. 20 Gabriel comforteth him of the seuenty weeks.

IN the first yeere of Darius the sonne of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made King ouer the realme of the Chaldeans:

2 In the first yeere of his reigne I Daniel vnderstood by bookes the number of the yeeres, whereof the word of the LORD came to Ieremiah the Prophet, that he would accomplish seuenty yeeres in the desolations of Ierusalem.

3 ¶ And I set my face vnto the Lord God, to seeke by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes.

4 And I prayed vnto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadfull God, keeping the couenant and mercy to them that loue him, and to them that keepe his Commandements:

5 * We haue sinned, and haue committed iniquity, and haue done wickedly, and haue rebelled, euen by departing from thy precepts, and from thy iudgements.

6 Neither haue we hearkened vnto thy seruants the Prophets, which spake in thy Name to our Kings, our Princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

7 O Lord, righteousnesse

ngeo vs confusion of faces, as at this day: to
d of Iudah, and to the inhabitants of Ierusa-
and vnto all Israel that are neere, and that are
off, through all the countreys whither thou hast
en them, because of their trespasse that they
e trespassed against thee.
O Lord, † to vs belongeth confusion of face, to
Kings, to our Princes, and to our fathers, be-
we haue sinned against thee.
To the Lord our God belong mercies and for-
nesses, though we haue rebelled against him.
Neither haue we obeyed the voyce of the
rd our God, to walke in his Lawes which he
t before vs by his seruants the Prophets.
Yea all Israel haue transgressed thy Law, euen
departing, that they might not obey thy voyce:
refore the curse is powred vpon vs, and the oath
is written in the * Law of Moses the seruant
God, because we haue sinned against him.
And he hath confirmed his words which hee
ke against vs, and against our Iudges that iudg-
by bringing vpon vs a great euill: for vnder
whole heauen hath not beene done, as hath
n done vpon Ierusalem.
As † it is written in the Law of Moses, All
s euill is come vpon vs: yet † made we not
r prayer before the LORD our God, † that we might
rne from our iniquities, & vnderstand thy truth.
Therefore hath the LORD watched vpon the
il, and brought it vpon vs: for the LORD our
d is righteous in all his workes which he doth:
we obey'd not his voyce.
And now, O Lord our God, that hast † brought
people forth out of the land of Egypt with a
ghty hand, and hast † gotten thee renowme, as at
s day: we haue sinned, we haue done wickedly.
O Lord, according to all thy righteousnesse
ne, I beseech thee, let thine anger, and thy fury be turned
ay from thy city Ierusalem, thy holy mountaine:
cause for our sinnes, and for the iniquities
our fathers, Ierusalem and thy people *are become*
proch to all *that are* about vs.
Now therefore, O our God, heare the prayer
thy seruant, and his supplications, and cause thy
ce to shine vpon thy Sanctuary that is desolate,
the Lords sake.
O my God encline thine eare, and heare: open
ine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city
ich is called by thy Name: for we doe not
sent our supplications before thee for our
righteousnesse, but for thy great mercies.
O Lord heare, O Lord forgiue, O Lord hear-
and doe: defer not for thine owne sake, O
d: for thy city, and thy people are called by
Name.
¶ And whiles I was speaking, & praying, and
fessing my sin, and the sin of my people Israel,
d presenting my supplication before the LORD
y God for the holy mountaine of my God:
Yea whiles I was speaking in prayer, euen the
n Gabriel, whom I had seene in the vision at
beginning, being caused to flie † swiftly, touch-
me about the time of the euening oblation.
And he informed me, and talked with me, and
d, O Daniel, I am now come forth † to giue thee
ill and vnderstanding.
At the beginning of thy supplications the
mandement came forth, and I am come to
w it: for thou art † greatly beloued therefore
derstand the matter, and consider the vision.
Seuenty weekes are determined vpon thy peo-
and vpon thy holy city, † to finish the transgres-
sion, and to † make an end of sins, and to make re-
conciliation for iniquity, and to bring in euerla-
sting righteousnesse, and to seale vp the vision, and
† prophesie, and to anoint the most holy.
25 Know therefore, and vnderstand, *that* from
the going forth of the commandement, to restore,
and to build Ierusalem, vnto the Messiah the Prince
shall be seuen weekes, and threescore and two
weekes, the street † shall be built againe, and the
wall, euen † in troublous times.
26 And after threescore and two weekes shall
Messiah be cut off, † but not for himselfe, and the
people of the prince that shall come, shall destroy
the city, and the Sanctuary, and the end thereof
shall be with a flood, and vnto the end of the warre
† desolations are determined.
27 And he shall confirme the couenant with many
for one weeke: & in the midst of the weeke he shall
cause the sacrifice & the oblation to cease, and † for
the ouerspreading of * abominations, he shall make
it desolate, euen vntill the consummation, and that
determined, shall be powred vpon the desolate.

the abominable armies. * Mat. 24. 15. mar. 13. 14. luke 21. 20.

CHAP. X.

1 Daniel hauing humbled himselfe seeth a vision.
10 Being troubled with feare, he is comforted by the Angel.

IN the third yeere of Cyrus King of Persia, a
thing was reuealed vnto Daniel (whose Name
was called Belteshazzar) and the thing *was* true,
but the time appointed *was* † long, and hee vnder-
stood the thing, & had vnderstanding of the vision.
2 In those dayes, I Daniel was mourning three
† full weekes.
3 I ate no † pleasant bread, neither came flesh
nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint my
selfe at all, till three whole weekes were fulfilled.
4 And in the foure and twentieth day of the
first moneth, as I was by the side of the great riuer,
which is * Hiddekel:
5 Then I lift vp mine eyes, and looked, and be-
hold, † a certaine man clothed in linnen, whose
loynes were † girded with fine gold of Vphaz.
6 His body also *was* like the Beryll, and his
face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as
lampes of fire, and his armes and his feet like in
colour to polished brasse, and the voyce of his
words like the voyce of a multitude.
7 And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the
men that were with me, saw not the vision: but a
great quaking fell vpon them, so that they fled to
hide themselues.
8 Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great
vision, and there remained no strength in me: for
my † * comelinesse was turned in me into corrupti-
on, and I retained no strength.
9 Yet heard I the voyce of his words: & when I
heard the voyce of his words, then was I in a deepe
sleepe on my face, and my face toward the ground.
10 ¶ And behold, an hand touched mee, which
† set me vpon my knees, and vpon the palmes of
my hands.
11 And he said vnto me, O Daniel, † a man great-
ly beloued, vnderstand the words that I speake vn-
to thee, and † stand vpright: for vnto thee am I
now sent, and when he had spoken this word vnto
me, I stood trembling.
12 Then said he vnto me: Feare not Daniel: for
from the first day that thou didst † set thine heart to
vnderstand, and to chastentie thy selfe before thy God,
thy words were heard, & I am come for thy words.
13 But

‖ Or, to finish vp. † Hebr. Prophat. † Hebr. Shall return and be built. ‖ Or, breach, or ditch. † Hebr. in straits of times. ‖ Or, shall haue nothing. ‖ Or, it shall be cut off by desolations. ‖ Or, with

13 But the Prince of the kingdome of Perſia withſtood me one and twenty dayes: but loe, Michael † one of the chiefe Princes came to helpe me; and I remained there with the Kings of Perſia.

14 Now I am come to make thee vnderſtand what ſhall befall thy people in the latter dayes: for yet the viſion *is* for *many* daves.

15 And when he had ſpoken ſuch words vnto me, I ſet my face toward the ground, and I became dumbe.

16 And behold, *one* like the ſimilitude of the ſonnes of men, touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and ſpake, and ſaid vnto him that ſtood before me; O my Lord, by the viſion my ſorrowes are turned vpon me, and I haue retained no ſtrength.

17 For how can I the ſeruant of this my Lord, talke with this my Lord? For as for me, ſtraightway there remained no ſtrength in me, neither is there breath left in me.

18 Then there came againe, and touched me, *one* like the appearance of a man, and he ſtrengthened mee,

19 And ſaid, O man, greatly beloued, feare not: peace *be* vnto thee, be ſtrong, yea, be ſtrong; and when he had ſpoken vnto me, I was ſtrengthened, and ſaid, Let my Lord ſpeake, for thou haſt ſtrengthened me.

20 Then ſaid he, Knoweſt thou wherefore I come vnto thee? and now will I returne to fight with the Prince of Perſia: and when I am gone forth, loe, the Prince of Grecia ſhall come.

21 But I will ſhew thee that which is noted in the Scripture of truth: and there is none that † holdeth with me in theſe things, but Michael your Prince.

CHAP. XI.

1 *The ouerthrow of Perſia by the King of Grecia.* 5 *Leagues and conflicts betweene the Kings of the South, and of the North.* 30 *The inuaſion and tyranny of the Romanes.*

ALſo I, in the firſt yere of Darius the Mede, *euen* I ſtood to confirme him and to ſtrengthen him

2 And now will I ſhew thee the trueth. Behold, there ſhall ſtand vp yet three Kings in Perſia, and the fourth ſhall be far richer then they all: and by his ſtrength through his riches, he ſhall ſtirre vp all againſt the Realme of Grecia.

3 And a mighty King ſhall ſtand vp, that ſhall rule with great dominion, and doe according to his will.

4 And when he ſhall ſtand vp, his kingdome ſhall be broken: and ſhall be diuided toward the foure winds of heauen; and not to his poſterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdome ſhall be plucked vp, euen for others beſides thoſe.

5 ¶ And the King of the South ſhall be ſtrong, and *one* of his Princes, and he ſhall be ſtrong aboue him, and haue dominion: his dominion *ſhall be* a great dominion.

6 And in the end of yeeres they ſhall † ioyne themſelues together: for the Kings daughter of the South ſhall come to the King of the North to make † an agreement, but ſhe ſhall not retaine the power of the arme, neither ſhall he ſtand, nor his arme: but ſhee ſhall bee giuen vp, and they that brought her, and he that begate her, and hee that ſtrengthened her in theſe times.

7 But one of a branch of her roots ſhal one ſtand vp in his eſtate, which ſhal come with an army, and ſhall enter into the fortreſſe of § king of § North, and ſhall deale againſt them, and ſhall preuaile

8 And ſhall alſo carry captiues into Egypt gods with their Princes, and with their † pr veſſels of ſiluer and of gold: and he ſhall c nue *more* yeeres then the King of the North.

9 So the King of the South ſhall come into kingdome, and ſhall returne into his owne land.

10 But his ſonnes † ſhall be ſtirred vp, and aſſemble a multitude of great forces: and ſhall certainely come, and ouerflow, and paſſe row: then ſhall he returne, and be ſtirred vp to his fortreſſe.

11 And the King of the South ſhall be moo with choler, and ſhall come forth and fight him, *euen* with the King of the North: and he ſhall ſet forth a great multitude, but the multi ſhall be giuen into his hand.

12 *And* when he hath taken away the multi his heart ſhal be lifted vp: and he ſhall caſt *many* ten thouſands: but he ſhall not ſtrengthened *by it*.

13 For the King of the North ſhall returne ſhall ſet forth a multitude greater then the firſt and ſhall certainely † come after certaine yeeres with a great army, and with much riches.

14 And in thoſe times there ſhall many ſtand againſt the King of the South: alſo the robbers of thy people ſhall exalt themſelues to eſtabliſh the viſion, but they ſhall fall.

15 So the King of the North ſhall come, and caſt vp a mount, and take the moſt fenced cities: and the armes of the South ſhall not withſtand, neither † his choſen people, neither ſhall there be any ſtrength to withſtand.

16 But he that commeth againſt him, ſhall do according to his owne will, and none ſhall ſtand before him: and he ſhall ſtand in the glorious land which by his hand ſhall be conſumed.

17 He ſhall alſo ſet his face to enter with the ſtrength of his whole kingdome, and vpright with him: thus ſhall he do, and giue him the daughter of women corrupting her: but ſhe ſhall not ſtand on his ſide, neither be for him.

18 After this ſhall he turne his face vnto the iles, and ſhall take many: but a prince † for his behalfe, ſhall cauſe † the reproach offered by him to ceaſe without his owne reproach: he ſhall caſt it to turne vpon him.

19 Then he ſhall turne his face toward the fort of his owne land: but he ſhall ſtumble and fall, and not be found.

20 Then ſhall ſtand vp in his eſtate a raiſer of taxes in the glory of the kingdome: but within few dayes he ſhall be deſtroyed, neither in anger, nor in battell.

21 And in his eſtate ſhall ſtand vp a vile perſon, to whom they ſhall not giue the honour of the kingdome: but he ſhall come in peaceably, and obtaine the kingdome by flatteries.

22 And with the armes of a flood ſhall they be ouerflowne from before him, and ſhall be broken, yea alſo the Prince of the couenant.

23 And after the league made with him he ſhall worke deceitfully: for he ſhall come vp, and become ſtrong with a ſmall people.

24 He ſhall enter peaceably, euen vpon the fatteſt places of the prouince: and he ſhall do that which his fathers haue not done, nor his fathers fathers; he ſhall ſcatter among them the prey, and ſpoile, and riches: yea, and he ſhall forecaſt his deuices againſt the ſtrong holds, *euen* for a time.

25 And he ſhall ſtirre vp his power and his courage againſt the king of the South with a great

For, the firſt.

For, this ſeruant of my Lord.

† *Hebr. ſtrengtheneth himſelfe.*

† *Hebr. ſtrengthes.*

Or, ſtandeth.

‡ *Hebr. ſhall aſſociate themſelues.* † *Hebr. rights.* *For, whom ſhe brought forth.*

nie, and the King of the South shall be stirred vp to battell with a very great and mighty armie: but hee shall not stand: for they shall forecast deuices against him.

26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat, shall destroy him, and his army shall ouerflow: and many shall fall downe slaine.

27 And both these Kings † hearts *shall be* to doe mischiefe, and they shall speake lies at one table: but it shall not prosper: for yet the end *shall be* at the time appointed.

28 Then shall hee returne into his land with great riches, and his heart *shall be* against the holy Couenant: and hee shall doe *exploits*, and returne to his owne land.

29 At the time appointed he shall returne, and come toward the South: but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.

30 ¶ For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieued and returne, and haue indignation against the holy Couenant: so shall he doe, he shall euen returne, and haue intelligence with them that forsake the holy Couenant.

31 And armes shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the Sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily *sacrifice*, and they shall place the abomination that ‖ maketh desolate.

32 And such as doe wickedly against the Couenant shall he ‖ corrupt by flatteries: but the people that doe know their God shall be strong, and doe *exploits*.

33 And they that vnderstand among the people, shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captiuity, and by spoyle many dayes.

34 Now when they shall fall, they shall bee holpen with a little helpe: but many shall cleaue vnto them with flatteries.

35 And *some* of them of vnderstanding shall fall to try ‖ them, and to purge, and to make them white, euen to the time of the end: because *it is* yet for a time appointed.

36 And the King shall do according to his will, and he shall exalt himselfe, and magnifie himselfe aboue euery god, and shall speake marueilous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation bee accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

37 Neither shall hee regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnifie himselfe aboue all.

38 But in his estate shall hee honour the God of forces: and a God whom his fathers knew not, shall he honour with gold, and siluer, and with precious stones, and † pleasant things.

39 Thus shall he doe in the † most strong holds, with a strange god, whom hee shall acknowledge, and increase with glory: and hee shall cause them to rule ouer many, and shall diuide the land for gaine.

40 And at the time of the end shall the King of the South push at him, and the King of the North shall come against him like a whirlewind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships, and hee shall enter into the countreys, and shall ouerflow and passe ouer.

41 Hee shall enter also into the ‖ glorious land, and many countreys shall bee ouerthrowne: but these shall escape out of his hand, *euen* Edom, and Moab, and the chiefe of the children of Ammon.

42 He shall † stretch forth his hand also vpon the countreys, and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

43 But he shall haue power ouer the treasures of gold and of siluer, and ouer all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans, and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.

44 But tidings out of the East, and out of the North shall trouble him: therefore hee shall goe forth with great fury to destroy, and vtterly to make away many.

45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the Seas in the ‖ glorious holy mountaine, yet hee shall come to his end, and none shall helpe him.

† *Heb. send forth.*

‖ *Or, goodly, Heb. mountain of delights of holines.*

CHAP. XII.

1 *Michael shall deliuer Israel from their troubles.* 5 *Daniel is informed of the times.*

AND at that time shall Michael stand vp, the great Prince, which standeth for the children of thy people, and there shall be a time of trouble, such as neuer was since there was a nation, euen to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be deliuered, euery one that shal be found written in the booke.

2 And many of them that sleepe in the dust of the earth, shall awake; * some to euerlasting life, and some to shame *and* euerlasting contempt.

3 And they that bee ‖ wise, shall * shine as the brightnesse of the firmament, and they that turne many to righteousnes, as the starres for euer & euer.

4 But thou, O Daniel, shut vp the words, and seale the booke, euen to the time of the end: many shall runne to and fro, and knowledge shall bee increased.

5 ¶ Then I Daniel looked, and behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the banke of the riuer, and the other on that side of the † banke of the riuer.

6 And *one* said to the man clothed in * linnen, which *was* ‖ vpon the waters of the riuer, How long *shall it be* to the end of these wonders?

7 And I heard the man clothed in linnen, which *was* vpon the waters of the riuer, when hee * held vp his right hand, and his left hand vnto heauen, and sware by him that liueth for euer, that *it shall be* for a time, times, and ‖ an halfe: and when hee shall haue accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

8 And I heard, but I vnderstood not: then said I, O my Lord, what *shall be* the end of these things?

9 And hee said, Goe thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed vp and sealed, till the time of the end.

10 Many shall bee purified and made white, and tried: but the wicked shall doe wickedly: and none of the wicked shall vnderstand, but the wise shall vnderstand.

11 And from the time that the daily *sacrifice* shall be taken away, and † the abomination ‖ that maketh desolate, set vp, *there shall bee* a thousand two hundred and ninety dayes.

12 Blessed is he that waiteth and commeth to the thousand three hundred and fiue and thirty dayes.

13 But goe thou thy way till the end *bee*: ‖ for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the dayes.

*Mat 25. 46. Iohn 5. 29.

‖ *Or, teachers.*

* *Matth. 13. 43.*

† *Heb. lip.*

* *Chap. 10. 5.*

‖ *Or, from aboue*

* *Reuel. 10. 5.*

‖ *Or, part.*

† *Heb. to set vp the abomination, &c.*

‖ *Or, also maketh.*

‖ *Or, and thou, &c.*

¶ HOSEA.

CHAP. I.

1 Hosea, to shew Gods iudgement for spirituall whoredome, taketh Gomer, 4 and hath by her Iezreel, 6 Lo-ruhamah, 8 and Lo-ammi. 10 The restauration of Iudah and Israel.

THE word of the LORD that came vnto Hosea the sonne of Beeri, in the dayes of Vzziah, Iotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, Kings of Iudah, and in the dayes of Ieroboam the sonne of Ioash King of Israel.

2 The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea: and the LORD said vnto Hosea, Goe, take vnto thee a wife of whoredomes, and children of whoredomes: for the land hath committed great whoredome, *departing* from the LORD.

3 So he went and tooke Gomer the daughter of Diblaim, which conceiued and bare him a sonne.

4 And the LORD said vnto him, Call his name Iezreel; for yet a little *while*, and I will † auenge the blood of Iezreel vpon the house of Iehu, & will cause to cease the kingdome of the house of Israel.

5 And it shall come to passe at that day, that I will breake the bow of Israel in ‖ valley of Iezreel.

6 ¶ And she conceiued againe, and bare a daughter, and *God* said vnto him, Call her name ‖ Lo-ruhamah: for † I will no more haue mercy vpon the house of Israel: ‖ but I will vtterly take thē away.

7 But I will haue mercy vpon the house of Iudah, and will saue them by the LORD their God, and will not saue them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battell, by horses, nor by horsemen.

8 ¶ Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceiued and bare a sonne.

9 Then said *God*, Call his name ‖ Lo-ammi: for ye *are* not my people, and I will not be your *God*.

10 ¶ Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the Sea, which cannot bee measured nor numbred, * and it shall come to passe, *that* ‖ in the place where it was said vnto them, Ye *are* not my people, there it shall be said vnto them, Ye *are* the sonnes of the liuing God.

11 Then shal the children of Iudah, and the children of Israel be * gathered together, and appoint themselues one head, and they shall come vp out of the land: for great *shall be* the day of Iezreel.

CHAP. II.

1 The idolatry of the people. 6 Gods iudgements against them. 14 His promises of reconciliation with them.

SAy ye vnto your brethren, ‖ Ammi, and to your sisters, ‖ Ruhamah:

2 Pleade with your mother, pleade: for * she *is* not my wife, neither *am* I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from betweene * her breasts;

3 Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was * borne, and make her as a wilderne, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst.

4 And I will not haue mercy vpon her children, for they *be* the children of whoredomes.

5 For their mother hath plaied the harlot: she that conceiued them, hath done shamefully: for she said, I will goe after my louers, that giue *mee* my bread, and my water, my wooll, and my flaxe, mine oyle, and my † drinke.

6 ¶ Therefore behold, I will hedge vp thy way with thornes, and † make a wall, that she shall not find her paths.

7 And she shall follow after her louers, but she shall not ouer take them, and she shall seeke them, but shall not find *them*: then shall she say, I will goe and returne to my first husband; for then was it better with me, then now.

8 For shee did not know that I gaue her corne, and † wine, and oyle, and multiplied her siluer and gold ‖ *which* they prepared for Baal.

9 Therefore will I returne, and take away my corne in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will recouer my wooll, and my flaxe *giuen* to couer her nakednesse.

10 And now will I discouer her ‖ lewdnesse in the sight of her louers, and none shall deliuer her out of mine hand.

11 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast dayes, her new Moones, and her Sabbaths, and all her solemne feasts.

12 And I will † destroy her vines, and her figtrees, whereof she hath said, These *are* mine rewards that my louers haue giuen me: and I will make them a forrest, and the beasts of the field shall eate them.

13 And I will visite vpon her the dayes of Baalim, wherein shee burnt incense to them, and she decked her selfe with her eare-rings, and her iewels, and she went after her louers, and forgat me, saith the LORD.

14 ¶ Therefore behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wildern sse, and speake comfortably vnto her.

15 And I will giue her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a dore of hope, and she shall sing there as in the dayes of her youth, and as in the day when she came vp out of the land of Egypt.

16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, *that* thou shalt call me ‖ Ishi, and shalt call me no more † Baali.

17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembred by their name.

18 And in that day will I make a * Couenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowles of heauen, and with the creeping things of the ground: and I will breake the bow, and the sword, and the battell out of the earth, and will make them to lie downe safely.

19 And I wil betroth thee vnto me for euer; yea, I wil betroth thee vnto me in righteousnesse, and in iudgement, and in louing kindnesse, and in mercies.

20 I will euen betroth thee vnto me in faithfulnesse, and thou shalt know the LORD.

21 And it shall come to passe in that day, I will heare, saith the LORD, I will heare the heauens, and they shall heare the earth;

22 And the earth shall heare the corne, and the wine, and the oyle, and they shall heare Iezreel.

23 And I will sow her vnto me in the earth, and I will haue mercy vpon her that had not obtained mercy, and I will say to them which were not my people; Thou *art* my people, and they shall say, *Thou art* my God.

CHAP. III.

1 By the expiation of an adulterous wife, 4 the desolation of Israel before their reconci-

‖ *That is, my people.*
† *That is, hauing obtained mercy.*
* Isa. 50. 1.
* Ezek. 16. 35.
* Ezek. 16. 4.
† *Hebr. visit.*
‖ *That is, not hauing obtained mercy.*
† *Hebr. I will not adde any more to.*
‖ *Or, that I should altogether pardon them.*
‖ *That is, not my people.*
* Rom. 9. 25. 26.
‖ *Or, in stead of that.*
* Ier. 3. 18. ezek. 34. 37.
† *Hebr. drinkes.*

ften said the LORD vnto me, Goe yet, loue a woman (beloued of *her* friend, yet an adulteresse) according to the loue of the LORD toward children of Israel, who looke to other gods, loue flagons † of wine.

So I bought her to mee for fifteene *pieces* of er, and for an Homer of barley, and an † halfe mer of barley.

And I said vnto her, Thou shalt *abide for many dayes, thou shalt not play the harlot, and shalt not be for *another* man, so *will* I also *be* thee.

For the children of Israel shall abide many yet without a King, and without a Prince, and without a sacrifice, and without † an image, and without an Ephod, and *without* Teraphim.

Afterward shall the children of Israel re- and seeke the LORD their God, and *Dauid their King, and shall feare the LORD, and his goodnesse in the *latter dayes.

CHAP IIII.

Gods iudgements against the sinnes of the people and of the Priests, 12 and against their superstition. 15 Iudah is exhorted to take warning by Israels calamity.

HEare the word of the LORD, yee children of Israel: for ‖ LORD hath a *controuersie with inhabitants of ‖ land, because *there* is no truth, mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they breake out, and bloud toucheth † bloud.

Therefore shall the land mourne, and euery that dwelleth therein, shall languish with the beast of the field, and with the fowles of heauen, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away.

Yet let no man striue nor reproue another: for people *are* as they that striue with the Priest.

Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother.

My people are † destroyed for lacke of knowledge: because thou hast reiected knowledge, I will reiect thee, that thou shalt be no Priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

As they were increased, so they sinned against me: *therefore* will I change their glory into shame.

They eat vp the sinne of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity.

And there shall be like people, like *Priest: I will † punish them for their wayes, and † reward them their doings. Leuit. 10. 2.

For they shall eat and not haue enough: they shall commit whoredome, and shall not increase, because they haue left off to take heed to the LORD.

Whoredome, and wine, and new wine, take away the heart.

My people aske counsell at their stockes, and their staffe declareth vnto them: for the spirit of whoredomes haue caused *them* to erre, and they haue gone a whoring from vnder their God.

They sacrifice vpon the tops of the mountaines, and burne incense vpon the hils vnder oakes, and poplars and elmes, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredome, and your spouses shall commit adultery.

I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredome, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for *themselues* are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people *that* doth not vnderstand, ‖ shall fall.

15 ¶ Though thou Israel play the harlot, *yet* let not Iudah offend, and come not yee vnto Gilgal, neither goe yee vp to *Beth-auen, nor sweare, The LORD liueth: *1 King. 12.29.

16 For Israel slideth backe, as a back-sliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lambe in a large place.

17 Ephraim *is* ioyned to idols: let him alone.

18 Their drinke † is sowre: they haue committed whoredome continually: her † rulers *with* shame doe loue, Giue ye. † *Heb.* *is gone.* † *Heb.* *shields.*

19 The wind hath bound her vp in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

CHAP. V.

1 Gods iudgements against the Priests, the people, and the Princes of Israel, for their manifold sinnes, 15 vntil they repent.

HEare ye this, O Priests, and hearken, ye house of Israel, and giue yee eare, O house of the King: for iudgement *is* toward you, because yee haue beene a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread vpon Tabor.

2 And the reuolters are profound to make slaughter, ‖ though I haue beene † a rebuker of them all. ‖ *Or, and, &c.* † *Heb.* *a correction.*

3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredome, *and* Israel is defiled. † *Heb.* *they will not giue.*

4 † They will not frame ‖ their doings, to turne vnto their God: for the spirit of whoredomes *is* in the midst of them, and they haue not knowne the LORD. ‖ *Or, their doings will not suffer them.*

5 And the pride of Israel doth testifie to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity: Iudah also shall fall with them.

6 They shall go with their flocks, and with their herds to seeke the LORD: but they shall not finde *him*, he hath withdrawne himselfe from them.

7 They haue dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they haue begotten strange children, now shall a moneth deuoure them with their portions.

8 Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, *and* the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud at Beth-auen: after thee, O Benjamin.

9 Ephraim shall bee desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel haue I made knowne that which shall surely be.

10 The Princes of Iudah were like them that remoone the bound: *therefore* I will powre out my wrath vpon them like water.

11 Ephraim is oppressed *and* broken in iudgement: because he willingly walked after the commandement.

12 Therefore *will* I *be* vnto Ephraim as a moth: and to the house of Iudah as ‖ rottennesse. ‖ *Or, a worme.*

13 When Ephraim saw his sicknesse, and Iudah *saw* his wound: then went Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent ‖ to King Iareb: yet could he not heale you, nor cure you of your wound. ‖ *Or, to the King of Iareb: or to the king that should plead.*

14 For I *will be* vnto Ephraim as a lyon, and as a young lyon to the house of Iudah: I, *euen* I will teare and goe away: I will take away, and none shall rescue *him*.

15 ¶ I will goe, *and* returne to my place, † till they acknowledge their offence, and seeke my face: in their affliction they will seeke me early. † *Heb.* *till they be guilty.*

CHAP. VI.

1 An exhortation to repentance. 4 A complaint of their vntowardnesse and iniquity.

COme, and let vs returne vnto the LORD: for he hath torne, and hee will heale vs: he hath smitten, and he will bind vs vp.

* 1. Cor. 15. 4.

2 * After two dayes will hee reuiue vs, in the third day he will raise vs vp, and we shall liue in his sight.

‖ Or, mercy, or kindnes.

3 Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come vnto vs as the raine; as the latter *and* former raine vnto the earth

‖ Or, that thy iudgements might be, &c.

4 ¶ O Ephraim, what shall I doe vnto thee? O Iudah, what shall I doe vnto thee? for your ‖ goodnesse *is* as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.

* Matth. 9. 13. and 10. 7. eccles 4. 17. 1. sam. 15. 22.

5 Therefore haue I hewed *them* by the Prophets: I haue slaine them by the words of my mouth, ‖ and thy iudgements *are as* the light *that* goeth forth.

‖ Or, like Adam.

6 For I desired * mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God, more then burnt offerings.

7 But they ‖ like men haue transgressed the Couenant: there haue they dealt treacherously against mee.

‖ Or, cunning for blood.

8 Gilead *is* a city of them that worke iniquity, *and is* ‖ polluted with blood.

† Hebr. with one shoulder, or to Sichem.

9 And as troupes of robbers wait for a man, *so* the company of Priests murder in the way † by consent: for they commit ‖ lewdnesse.

‖ Or, vnnaturalnesse.

10 I haue seene an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there *is* the whoredome of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.

11 Also, O Iudah, he hath set an harueſt for thee, when I returned the captiuity of my people.

CHAP. VII.

1 A reproofe of manifold sinnes. 11 Gods wrath against them for their hypocrisie.

WHen I would haue healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discouered, and the † wickednesse of Samaria: for they commit falshood: and the thiefe commeth in, *and* the troupe of robbers † spoileth without.

† Hebr. euils. † Hebr. spoyleth. † Heb. say not to.

2 And they † consider not in their hearts, *that* I remember all their wickednes: now their own doings haue beset them about, they are before my face.

3 They make the King glad with their wickednesse, and the Princes with their lies.

4 They *are* all adulterers, as an ouen heated by the baker: ‖ who ceaseth ‖ from raising, after hee hath kneaded the dough vntill it be leauened.

‖ Or, the baker will cease. ‖ Or, from waking.

5 In the day of our King, the Princes haue made *him* sicke ‖ with bottels of wine; hee stretched out his hand with scorners.

‖ Or, with heat through wine.

6 For they haue ‖ made ready their heart like an ouen, whiles they lie in wait, their baker sleepeth all ‹the› night, in ‹the› morning it burneth as a flaming fire

‖ Or, applied.

7 They are all hote as an ouen, and haue deuoured their Iudges; all their Kings are fallen, there is none among them that calleth vnto me.

8 Ephraim, he hath mixed himselfe among the people, Ephraim is a cake not turned.

9 Strangers haue deuoured his strength, and hee knoweth *it* not: yea, gray haires are † here and there vpon him, yet he knoweth not.

† Hebr. sprinkled.

10 And the * pride of Israel testifieth to his face, and they doe not returne to the LORD their God, nor seeke him for all this.

* Chap. 5. 5.

11 ¶ Ephraim also is like a silly doue, without heart: they call to Egypt, they goe to Assyria.

12 When they shall goe, I will spread my net vpon them, I will bring them downe as the fowles of the heauen: I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard.

13 Woe vnto them, for they haue fled from me: † destruction vnto them, because they haue transgressed against me, though I haue redeemed them, yet they haue spoken lies against me.

† Hebr. spoile.

14 And they haue not cryed vnto me with their heart, when they howled vpon their beds: they assemble themselues for corne and wine, *and* they rebell against me.

15 Though I ‖ haue bound, *& strengthened* their armes, yet doe they imagine mischiefe against me.

‖ Or, taught.

16 They returne, *but* not to the most High: they are like a deceitfull bow: their Princes shall fall by the sword, for the * rage of their tongue: *this* shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.

CHAP. VIII.

1. 12 Destruction is threatned for their sinne. 5 and idolatry.

SEt the trumpet to thy † mouth: *he shall come* as an eagle against the house of the LORD, because they haue transgressed my Couenant, and trespassed against my Law.

† Hebr. iawes.

2 Israel shall cry vnto me, My God, we know thee.

3 Israel hath cast off the thing that is good: the enemy shall pursue him.

4 They haue set vp Kings, but not by me: they haue made Princes, and I knew it not: of their siluer and their gold haue they made them idols, that they may be cut off.

5 ¶ Thy calfe, O Samaria, hath cast thee off; mine anger is kindled against them: how long will it be ere they attaine to innocency?

6 For from Israel *was* it also, the workeman made it, therefore it is not God: but the calfe of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.

7 For they haue sowne the winde, and they shall reape the whirlewind: it hath no stalke, the bud shall yeeld no meale: if so be it yeeld, the strangers shall swallow it vp.

8 Israel is swallowed vp, now shall they be among the Gentiles, as a vessell wherein is no pleasure.

9 For they are gone vp to Assyria, a wilde asse alone by himselfe; Ephraim hath hired louers.

10 Yea, though they haue hired among the nations, now will I gather them, and they shall sorrow a little for the burden of the King of princes.

11 Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sinne, altars shall be vnto him to sinne.

12 I haue written to him the great things of my Law, *but* they were counted as a strange thing.

13 They sacrifice flesh ‖ for the sacrifice of mine offerings, and eat *it*; *but* the LORD accepteth them not: now will he remember their iniquity, and visite their sinnes: they shall returne to Egypt.

‖ Or, for the sacrifice.

14 For Israel hath forgotten his Maker, and buildeth Temples; and Iudah hath multiplied fenced cities: but I will send a fire vpon his cities, and it shall deuoure the palaces thereof.

CHAP. IX.

The distresse and captiuity of Israel, for their sinnes and idolatry.

REioyce not, O Israel, for ioy, as other people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God, thou hast loued a ‖ reward vpon euery corne floore.

‖ Or, hyre.

2 The floore and the ‖ wine presse shall not feed them, and the new wine shall faile in it.

‖ Or, threshing floore.

3 They shall not dwell in the LORDS land; but Ephraim shall returne to Egypt, and they shall eate vncleane things in Assyria.

4 They shall not offer wine offerings to the LORD, neither shall they order sacrifices vnto him: *their sacrifices shall be* vnto them as the bread of mourners: all that eate thereof, shall be polluted: for their bread for their soule shall not come into the house of the LORD.

5 What will yee doe in the solemne day, and in the day of the feast of the LORD?

med:
e loe they are gone, because of † destruction
ypt shall gather them vp, Memphis shall bu-
: ‖ the pleasant *places* for their siluer,
shall possesse them, thornes *shall be* in their
ents. *Deuter. 13. 19. 20.*
e daies of visitation are come, the daies of
ence are come, Israel shall know it: the ‖ Pro-
a foole, the ‖ spirituall man is mad, for the
de of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.
watchman of Ephraim *was* with my God:
Prophet *was* a snare of a Fowler, in all his
and hatred ‖ in the house of his God.
ey haue deeply corrupted *themselues*, as in
es of * Gibeah: *therefore* he will remember
quity, he will visite their sinnes.
found Israel like grapes in the wildernesse:
our fathers as the first *ripe* in the figtree at
e time: *but* they went to *Baal peor*, and se-
themselues vnto that shame, and *their* abo-
ns were according as they loued.
for Ephraim, their glory shall flee away,
bird: from the birth, and from the wombe,
the conception.
ough they bring vp their children, yet will
them, and there shall not be a man *left*:
s for them, when I depart from them.
raim, as I saw Tyrus, is planted in a plea-
t: but Ephraim shall bring foorth his
to the murderer.
ue them, O LORD: what wilt thou giue?
em a † miscarrying wombe, and dry breasts.
their wickednesse * *is* in Gilgal: for there
them: for the wickednesse of their doings, I
e them out of mine house, I will loue them
: all their Princes are reuolters.
raim is smitten, their root is dryed vp,
ll beare no fruit: yea, though they bring
yet will I slay euen † the beloued *fruit* of
wombe.
God will cast them away, because they did
ken vnto him: and they shall be wande-
g among the nations.

CHAP. X.

is reproued, and threatned for their impiety
&c.

Israel is an empty vine, he bringeth foorth fruit
himselfe: according to the multitude of
fruit he hath increased, the Altars, according
goodnesse of his land, they haue made good-
ges.
eir heart is diuided: now shall they bee
olate: he shall † breake downe their altars:
spoile their images.
now they shall say, We haue no King be-
e we feared not the LORD, What then should
e to vs?
y haue spoken words, swearing falsly in
e couenant: this iudgement springeth vp
e as hemlocke in the furrowes of the field.
e inhabitants of Samaria shall feare, because
e calues of Bethauen: for the people thereof
ll mourne ouer it, and the ‖ Priests thereof, *that*
ced on it, for the glory thereof, because it is
ne from it.
t shall be also carried vnto Assyria for a pre-
to King Iareb: Ephraim shall receiue shame,
d Israel shall be ashamed of his owne counsell.
As for Samaria her king is cut off as the fome
upon the water.
e high places also of Auen, the sin of Israel,
e destroyed: the thorne and the thistle shall
w on their altars, * and they shall say to the
mountaines, Couer vs; and to the hils, Fall on vs.
9 O Israel, thou hast sinned from the dayes of
Gibeah: there they stood: the battell in Gibeah
against the children of iniquity, did not ouertake
them.
10 *It is* in my desire that I should chastise them,
& the people shall be gathered against them, ‖ when
they shall bind themselues in their two furrowes.
11 And Ephraim *is as* an heifer that is taught, *and*
loued to tread out *the corn*, but I passed ouer vpon
her faire necke: I will make Ephraim to ride:
Iudah shall plow, *and* Iacob shall breake his clods.
12 Sow to your selues in righteousnesse, reape in
mercy, * breake vp your fallow ground: for *it is*
time to seeke the LORD, till he come and raine
righteousnesse vpon you.
13 Ye haue plowed wickednesse, ye haue reaped
iniquity, ye haue eaten the fruit of lies: because
thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy
mighty men.
14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people,
and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled, as Shalman
spoiled * Beth-arbel in the day of battell: the
mother was dashed in pieces vpon her children.
15 So shall Bethel doe vnto you, because of † your
great wickednesse: in a morning shall the King of
Israel be vtterly cut off.

CHAP. XI.

1 The ingratitude of Israel vnto God for his benefits.
5 His iudgement. 8 Gods mercy towards them.

WHen Israel *was* a child, then I loued him, and
* called my Sonne out of Egypt.
2 *As* they called them, so they went from them:
they sacrificed vnto Baalim, and burnt incense to
grauen images.
3 I taught Ephraim also to goe, taking them by
their armes: but they knew not that I healed them.
4 I drew them with cords of a man, with bands
of loue, and I was to them as they that † take off
the yoke on their iawes, and I laid meat vnto them
5 ¶ He shall not returne into the land of Egypt,
but the Assyrian shall be his King, because they re-
fused to returne.
6 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and
shall consume his branches, and deuoure *them*, be-
cause of their owne counsels.
7 And my people are bent to backsliding from
me: though they called them to the most High,
† none at all would exalt *him*.
8 How shall I giue thee vp, Ephraim? *how* shall
I deliuer thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as
* Admah? *how* shall I set thee as Zeboim? mine
heart is turned within mee, my repentings are
kindled together.
9 I will not execute the fiercenesse of mine an-
ger, I will not returne to destroy Ephraim, for I *am*
God and not man, the holy One in the midst of
thee, and I will not enter into the city.
10 They shall walke *after* the LORD: hee shall
roare like a Lyon: when hee shall roare, then the
children shall tremble from the West.
11 They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and
as a Doue out of the land of Assyria: and I will
place them in their houses, saith the LORD.
12 Ephraim compasseth mee about with lies, and
the house of Israel with deceit, but Iudah yet ru-
leth with God, and is faithfull ‖ with the Saints.

CHAP. XII.

8 A reproofe of Ephraim, Iudah, and Iacob. 3
By former fauours, he exhorteth to repentance. 7
Ephraims sinnes prouoke God.

Or, when I shall binde them for their two transgressions, or in their two habitations.
† *Heb. the leauy of their necke.*
* Ier. 4.4.
* 2. Kings 18.19.
† *Heb. the euill of your euil.*
* Matth. 2.15.
† *Heb. lift vp.*
† *Heb. together they exalted not.*
* Gen. 19. 22. Amos 4.11.
‖ *Or, with the most holy.*

EPhraim feedeth on wind, and followeth after the East wind: he daily increaseth lies and desolation, and they doe make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oile is carried into Egypt.

2 The LORD hath also a controuersie with Iudah, and will † punish Iacob according to his wayes, according to his doings will he recompence him.

3 ¶ He tooke his brother * by the heele in the wombe, and by his strength he † * had power with God.

4 Yea, he had power ouer the Angel, and preuailed: he wept and made supplication vnto him: he found him in * Bethel, & there he spake with vs.

5 Euen the LORD God of hosts, the LORD *is* his * memoriall.

6 Therefore turne thou to thy God: keepe mercie and iudgement, and wait on thy God continually.

7 ¶ *He is* ‖ a Merchant, the ballances of deceit *are* in his hand: he loueth to ‖ oppresse.

8 And Ephraim said, Yet I am become rich, I haue found me out substance; ‖ *in* all my labours they shall finde none iniquity in me, † that *were* sinne.

9 And I, *that am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, will yet make thee to dwell in Tabernacles, as in the dayes of the solemne feast.

10 I haue also spoken by the Prophets, and I haue multiplied visions, and vsed similitudes, † by the ministery of the Prophets.

11 *Is there* iniquity in Gilead? surely they are vanity, they sacrifice bullockes in Gilgal, yea, their altars *are* as heapes in the furrowes of the fields.

12 And Iacob * fled into the countrey of Syria, and Israel serued for * a wife, and for a wife hee kept *sheepe*.

13 And * by a Prophet the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a Prophet was he preserued.

14 Ephraim prouoked him to anger † most bitterly: therefore shall he leaue his † blood vpon him, and his reproach shall his Lord returne vnto him.

† Hebr. visit vpon.
* Gen. 25.26.
† Hebr. was a prince, or behaued himselfe princely.
* Gen. 32.24.
* Gen. 35.9.10.
* Exod. 3.15.
‖ Or, Canaan.
‖ Or, deceiue.
‖ Or, all my labors suffice me not: he shal haue punishment of iniquity in whom is sinne.
† Heb. which.
† Heb. by the hand.
* Chap. 4.15. and 9.15. and 23.3.

* Gen. 28.5. * Gen. 29.20.28. * Exod. 12.50,51. and † Heb. with bitternesses. † Heb. bloods.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Ephraims glory by reason of idolatry, vanisheth. 5 Gods anger for their vnkindnesse. 9 A promise of Gods mercy. 15 A iudgement for rebellion.

WHen Ephraim spake, trembling, he exalted himselfe in Israel, but when he offended in Baal, he died.

2 And now † they sinne more and more, and haue made them molten images of their siluer, *and* idols according to their owne vnderstanding, all of it the worke of the crafts-men: they say of them, Let the ‖ men that sacrifice, kisse the calues.

3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew it passeth away, as the chaffe that is driuen with a whirlewind out of the floore, and as the smoke out of the chimney.

4 Yet I am the LORD thy God * from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no God but me: for *there is* no Sauiour beside me.

5 ¶ I did know thee in the wilderneſſe, in the land of † great drought.

6 According to their pasture, so were they filled: they were filled, and their heart was exalted: therefore haue they forgotten me.

7 Therefore I will be vnto them as a Lion: as a Leopard by the way will I obserue them.

8 I will meet them as a Beare that is bereaued *of her whelpes*, and will rent the caule of their heart, and there will I deuoure them like a Lion: † the wilde beast shall teare them.

9 ¶ O Israel, thou hast destroyed thy selfe: but in me † *is* thine helpe.

10 I will bee thy King: where *is* any other that may saue thee in all thy cities? and thy Iudges of whom thou saidst, Giue me a King and Princes?

11 I gaue thee a * King in mine anger, and tooke *him* away in my wrath.

12 The iniquity of Ephraim *is* bound vp; his sinne *is* hid.

13 The sorrowes of a trauailing woman shall come vpon him, he *is* an vnwise son; for he should not stay † long in the place of the breaking forth of children.

14 I will ransome them from the † power of the graue: I will redeeme them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues: O graue, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.

15 ¶ Though he be fruitfull among his brethren, * an East wind shall come, the wind of the LORD shall come vp from the wildernesse, and his spring shall become drie, and his fountaine shall be dried vp, hee shall spoile the treasure of all pleasant vessels.

16 Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with childe shall be ript vp.

Dut. 17.18.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 An exhortation to repentance. 4 A promise of Gods blessing.

O Israel, returne vnto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.

2 Take with you words, and turne to the LORD: say vnto him, Take away all iniquity, and receiue *vs* graciously: so will we render the calues of our lips.

3 Asshur shall not saue vs, we will not ride vpon horses, neither will we say any more to the worke of our hands, *Ye are* our gods: for in thee the fatherlesse findeth mercy.

4 ¶ I will heale their backsliding, I will loue them freely; for mine anger is turned away from him:

5 I will be as the dew vnto Israel, he shall grow as the lillie, and † cast forth his roots as Lebanon.

6 His branches shall † spread, and his beauty shal be as the oliue tree, and his smell as Lebanon.

7 They that dwell vnder his shadow, shall returne: they shall reuiue as the corne, and grow as the vine, the † scent thereof *shall be* as the wine of Lebanon.

8 Ephraim *shall say*, What haue I to do any more with idoles? I haue heard *him*, and obserued him: I *am* like a greene fire tree, from me is thy fruit found.

9 Who *is* wise, and he shall vnderstand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the wayes of the LORD are right, and the iust shall walke in them: but the transgressours shall fall therein.

Hos. 13.11. Dut. 17.

† Hebr. they adde to sinne.
‖ Or, the sacrificers of men.
* Isa. 43.11. chap. 13.10.
† Hebr. drought.
† Hebr. they were filled.
* Chap. 11.1.
† Hebr. wilde beasts.
† Hebr. in mine helpe.
* Dut. 32.15.
† Hebr. the power of the graue.
* Gen. 41.6.
† Hebr. cast forth his roots as Lebanon.
† Hebr. spread.
† Hebr. scent.

¶ IOEL.

CHAP. I.

Iul declaring ſundry iudgements of God, exhorts to obſtrue them, 8 and to mourne. 14 He proclaims a Faſt, for complaint.

THE word of the LORD that came to Ioel, the ſonne of Pethuel.

2 Heare this ye old men, and giue eare, all yee inhabitants of the land: Hath this beene in your dayes, or euen in the dayes of your fathers?

3 Tell ye your children of it, and let your children tell their children, and their children another generation.

4 ¶ That which the palmer-worme hath left, hath the locuſt eaten; and that which the locuſt hath left, hath the canker-worme eaten; and that which the canker-worme hath left, hath the caterpiller eaten.

5 Awake yee drunkards, and weepe, and howle all yee drinkers of wine, becauſe of the new wine, for it is cut off from your mouth.

6 For a nation is come vp vpon my land, ſtrong, and without number, whoſe teeth *are* the teeth of a lion, and he[r] *hath* the cheeke teeth of a great lion.

7 He hath laid my vine waſte: and ‡barked my figtree: he hath made it cleane bare, and caſt *it* away: the branches thereof are made white.

8 ¶Lament like a virgin girded with ſackcloth for the husband of her youth.

9 The meat offering and the drinke offering is cut off from the houſe of the LORD, the Prieſts the LORDS Miniſters mourne.

10 The field is waſted, the land mourneth; for the corne is waſted: the new wine is ‡ dryed vp, the oyle languiſheth.

11 Be yee aſhamed, O ye husbandmen: howle, O ye vine-dreſſers, for the wheat and for the barley: becauſe the harueſt of the field is periſhed.

12 The vine is dryed vp, and the figtree languiſheth, the pomegranate tree, the palme tree alſo, and the apple-tree, *euen* all the trees of the field are withered: becauſe ioy is withered away from the ſonnes of men.

13 Gird your ſelues, and lament ye Prieſts: howle ye Miniſters of the Altar: come, lie all night in ſackcloth, yee Miniſters of my God: for the meat offering, and the drinke offering is withholden from the houſe of your God.

14 ¶ Sanctifie ye a Faſt: call a ‡ ſolemne aſſembly, gather the Elders, *and* all the inhabitants of the land *into* the houſe of the LORD your God, and cry vnto the LORD:

15 Alas for the day: for the * day of the LORD is at hand, and as a deſtruction from the Almighty ſhall it come.

16 Is not the meat cut off before your eyes, *yea*, ioy and gladneſſe from the houſe of our God?

17 The ‡ ſeed is rotten vnder their clods: the garners are laid deſolate: the barnes are broken downe, for the corne is withered.

18 How doe the beaſtes groane? the herds of cattell are perplexed, becauſe they haue no paſture; yea, the flockes of ſheepe are made deſolate.

19 O LORD, to thee will I cry: for the fire hath deuoured the ‡ paſtures of the wilderneſſe, and the flame hath burnt all the trees of the field.

20 The beaſtes of the field cry alſo vnto thee: for the riuers of waters are dryed vp, and the fire hath deuoured the paſtures of the wilderneſſe.

CHAP. II.

1 *He ſheweth vnto Zion the terribleneſs of Gods iudgments.* 12 *He exhorteth to repentance.* 15 *Proclaimeth a Faſt.* 18 *Promiſeth a bleſſing thereon.* 21 *He comforteth Zion with preſent*, 28 *and future bleſſings.*

BLow ye the ‡ trumpet in Zion, and ſound an alarme in my holy mountaine: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD commeth, for *it is* nigh at hand;

‡ *Or*, cornet.

2 A day of darkeneſſe and of gloominеſſe, a day of clouds and of thicke darkeneſſe, as the morning ſpread vpon the mountaines: a great people and a ſtrong, there hath not beene euer the like, neither ſhall be any more after it, euen to the yeeres † of many generations.

† *Hebr.* of generation and generation.

3 A fire deuoureth before them, and behind them a flame burneth: the Land *is* as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a deſolate wilderneſſe, yea, and nothing ſhall eſcape them.

4 The appearance of them *is* as the appearance of horſes, and as horſemen ſo ſhall they runne.

5 Like the noiſe of charets on the tops of mountaines ſhall they leape, like the noiſe of a flame of fire that deuoureth the ſtubble, as a ſtrong people ſet in battell aray.

6 Before their face the people ſhall be much pained: all faces ſhall gather † blackeneſſe.

† *Hebr.* pots.

7 They ſhall runne like mighty men, they ſhall climbe the wall like men of warre, *and* they ſhall march euery one on his wayes: and they ſhall not breake their rankes.

8 Neither ſhall one thruſt another, they ſhall walke euery one in his path: and when they fall vpon the ‡ sword they ſhall not be wounded.

‡ *Or*, dart.

9 They ſhall runne to and fro in the citie, they ſhall runne vpon the wall, they ſhall climbe vp vpon the houſes: they ſhall enter in at the windowes like a thiefe.

10 The * earth ſhall quake before them, the heauens ſhall tremble, the Sunne and the Moone ſhall be darke, and the Starres ſhall withdraw their ſhining.

* Iſaiah 13.10. ezech. 32.8

11 And the LORD ſhall vtter his voice before his army; for his campe is very great: for *he is* ſtrong that executeth his word: for the * day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible, and who can abide it?

* Ier. 30.7 amos 5. 18. zeph. 1.14.

12 ¶ Therefore alſo now, ſaith the LORD, *Turne ye euen to me with all your heart, & with faſting, and with weeping, and with mourning.

* Ier. 4.1.

13 And rent your heart, and not your garments, and turne vnto the LORD your God: for he is * gracious and mercifull, ſlow to anger, and of great kindneſſe, and repenteth him of the euill.

* Exod. 34.6. pſa. 86 55. ionah 4.2.

14 * Who knoweth *if* hee will returne and repent, and leaue a bleſſing behind him, *euen* a meat offering and a drinke offering vnto the LORD your God?

* Ionah 3. 9.

15 ¶ Blow the trumpet in Zion, ‡ ſanctifie a Faſt, call a ſolemne aſſembly.

‡ Chap. 1. 14.

16 Gather the people ‡ ſanctifie the Congregation, aſſemble the Elders: gather the children, and thoſe that ſucke the breaſts: let the bridegroome

goe foorth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.

17 Let the Priests, the ministers of the LORD, weepe betweene the porch and the Altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and giue not thine heritage to reproch; that the heathen should rule ouer them: * Wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

*Or, vse a by-word against them. *Psal. 42. 11. & 79. 10. and 115. 2.

18 ¶ Then will the LORD bee iealous for his land, and pitty his people.

19 Yea, the LORD will answere, and say vnto his people; Behold, I will send you corne and wine, and oyle, and yee shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen.

20 But I will remoue farre off from you the Northerne *army*, and will drine him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the East sea, and his hinder part towards the vtmost sea, and his stinke shall come vp, and his ill sauour shall come vp, because † he hath done great things.

†Heb. he hath magnified to doe.

21 ¶ Feare not, O land, be glad and reioyce: for the LORD will doe great things.

22 Be not afraid, yee beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wildernesse doe spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the figgtree and the vine do yeeld their strength.

23 Be glad then ye children of Zion, and reioyce in the LORD your God: for he hath giuen you the ‖ former raine † moderately, and he * will cause to come downe for you the raine, the former raine, and the latter raine in the first *moneth*.

‖ Or, a teacher of righteousnesse. †Heb. according to righteousnesse. *Leuit. 26.4. deu. 28.12.

24 And the floores shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall ouerflow with wine and oyle.

25 And I will restore to you the yeeres that the locust hath eaten, the canker-worme, and the caterpillar, and the palmer-worme, my great armie which I sent among you.

26 And yee shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the Name of the LORD your God, that hath dealt wonderously with you: and my people shall neuer be ashamed.

27 And yee shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel, and that I *am* the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall neuer be ashamed.

28 ¶ And it shall come to passe afterward, *that* I will * powre out my spirit vpon all flesh, and your sonnes and your daughters shall prophesie, your old men shall dreame dreames, your young men shall see visions.

*Isa. 32.15. & 44.3. & Ezek. 39.29.

29 And also vpon the seruants, and vpon the hand-maides in those dayes will I powre out my Spirit.

30 And I will shew wonders in the heauens, and in the earth, blood and fire, and pillars of smoake.

31 * The Sunne shall be turned into darkenesse, and the Moone into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

*Chap. 3.15.

32 And it shall come to passe, *that* * whosoeuer shall call on the Name of the LORD, shall be deliuered: for in mount Zion and in Ierusalem shall be deliuerance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant, whom the LORD shall call.

*Rom. 10.13.

CHAP. III.

1 Gods iudgements against the enemies of his people. 9 God will be knowen in his iudgement. 18 His blessing vpon the Church.

FOr behold, in those dayes, and in that time, when I shall bring againe the captiuitie of Iudah and Ierusalem,

2 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them downe into the valley of Iehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people, and for my heritage Israel, whom they haue scattered among the nations, and parted my land,

3 And they haue cast lots for my people, and haue giuen a boy for an harlot, and sold a girle for wine, that they might drinke.

4 Yea, and what haue ye to doe with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompence me, swiftly and speedily will I returne your recompence vpon your owne head.

5 Because ye haue taken my siluer and my gold, and haue caryed into your Temples my goodly † pleasant things.

6 The children also of Iudah, and the children of Ierusalem haue yee sold vnto the Grecians, that yee might remoue them farre from their border.

7 Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye haue sold them, and will returne your recompence vpon your owne head.

8 And I will sell your sonnes and your daughters into the hand of the children of Iudah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people farre off: for the LORD hath spoken it.

9 ¶ Proclaime ye this among the Gentiles, Prepare warre, wake vp the mighty men, let all the men of warre draw neere, let them come vp:

10 * Beat your plow-shares into swords, and your pruninghookes into speares: let the weake say, I am strong.

11 Assemble your selues, and come all ye heathen, and gather your selues together round about: thither ‖ cause thy mighty ones to come downe, O LORD.

‖ Heb. cause to descend.

12 Let the heathen be wakened, and come vp to the valley of Iehoshaphat: for there will I sit to iudge all the heathen round about.

13 * Put ye in the sickle, for the haruest is ripe: come, get you downe, for the presse is full, the fats ouerflow, for the wickednesse is great.

14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD is neere in the valley of decision.

15 The * Sunne and the Moone shall be darkened, and the starres shall withdraw their shining.

16 The LORD also shall * roare out of Zion, and vtter his voyce from Ierusalem, and the heauens and the earth shall shake, but the LORD will be the † hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

17 So shall ye know that I *am* the LORD your God, dwelling in Zion my holy mountaine: then shall Ierusalem be † holy, and there shall no * strangers passe thorow her any more.

18 ¶ And it shall come to passe in that day, *that* the mountaines shall * drop downe new wine, and the hils shall flow with milke, and all the riuers of Iudah shall † flow with waters, and a fountaine shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.

19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wildernesse, for the violence *done* to the children of Iudah, because they haue shed innocent blood in their land.

20 But Iudah shall ‖ dwell for euer, and Ierusalem from generation to generation.

21 For I will cleanse their blood, *that* I haue not cleansed, for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.

AMOS

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CHAP. I.

1 Amos sheweth Gods iudgement vpon Syria, 6 vpon the Philistines, 9 vpon Tyrus, 11 vpon Edom, 13 vpon Ammon.

THe words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, which hee saw concerning Israel, in the dayes of Vzziah King of Iudah, and in the dayes of Ieroboam the sonne of Ioash King of Israel, two yeere before the * earthquake.

2 And hee said, The LORD will *roare from Sion, and vtter his voyce from Ierusalem: and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourne, and the top of Carmel shall wither.

3 Thus saith the LORD, for three transgressions of Damascus, and ‖ for foure, I will not ‖ turne away *the punishment* thereof, because they haue threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of iron.

4 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall deuoure the palaces of Benhadad.

5 I will breake also the barre of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the ‖ plaine of Auen, and him that holdeth the Scepter from the ‖ house of Eden, and the people of Syria shall goe into captiuitie vnto Kir, saith the LORD.

6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of * Gaza, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof: because they ‖ carried away captiue the whole captiuitie, to deliuer them vp to Edom.

7 But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall deuoure the palaces thereof.

8 And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the Scepter from Ashkelon, and I will turne mine hand against Ekron, and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, saith the Lord GOD.

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of Tyrus, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof: because they deliuered vp the whole captiuitie to Edom, and remembred not the brotherly couenant.

10 But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall deuoure the palaces thereof.

11 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of Edom, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof, because hee did pursue his brother with the sword, and did † cast off all pity, and his anger did teare perpetually, and kept his wrath for euer.

12 But I will send a fire vpon Teman, which shall deuoure the palaces of Bozrah.

13 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof, because they haue ‖ ript vp the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border.

14 But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall deuoure the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battell, with a tempest in the day of the whirlewind.

15 And their King shall goe into captiuitie, hee and his Princes together, saith the LORD.

CHAP. II.

Gods wrath against Moab. 4 vpon Iudah, 6 vpon Israel. 9 God complaineth of their vnthankfulnesse.

THus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of Moab, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof, because he * burnt the bones of the King of Edom into lime.

2 But I will send a fire vpon Moab, and it shall deuoure the palaces of Kirioth, and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, *and* with the sound of the trumpet.

3 And I will cut off the Iudge from the midst thereof, and will slay all the Princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.

4 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of Iudah, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof, because they haue despised the law of the LORD, and haue not kept his Commandements, and their lies caused them to erre, after the which their fathers haue walked.

5 But I will send a fire vpon Iudah, and it shall deuoure the palaces of Ierusalem.

6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, For three transgressions of Israel, and for foure, I will not turne away *the punishment* thereof; because * they sold the righteous for siluer, and the poore for a paire of shooes:

7 That pant after the dust of the earth, on the head of the poore, and turne aside the way of the meeke; and a man and his father will goe in vnto the *same* ‖ maid, to prophane my holy Name.

8 And they lay themselues downe vpon clothes laid to pledge by euery Altar, and they drinke the wine of ‖ the condemned *in* the house of their God.

9 ¶ Yet destroyed I the * Amorite before them, whose height *was* like the height of the Cedars, and he was strong as the oakes, yet I destroyed his fruit from aboue, and his rootes from beneath.

10 Also I brought you vp from the land of * Egypt, and led you fourty yeeres thorow the wilderneſſe, to possesse the land of the Amorite.

11 And I raised vp of your sons for Prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites. *Is it* not euen thus, O ye children of Israel? saith the LORD?

12 But yee gaue the Nazarites wine to drinke, and commanded the Prophets, * saying, Prophesie not.

13 Behold, ‖ I am pressed vnder you, as a cart is pressed, that is full of sheaues.

14 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliuer † himselfe:

15 Neither shall hee stand that handleth the bow, and he that is swift of foot shall not deliuer *himselfe*, neither shall hee that rideth the horse deliuer himselfe.

16 And he that is † couragious among the mighty, shall flee away naked in that day, saith the LORD.

CHAP. III.

1 The necessity of Gods iudgement against Israel, 9 The publication of it, with the causes thereof.

HEare this word that the LORD hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought vp from the land of Egypt, saying,

2 You only haue I knowne of all the families of the earth: therefore I will † punish you for all your iniquities.

3 Can

* 2 King. 3.27.

‖ Or, young woman.

‖ Or, such as haue finned, or multiplied.

* Neem. 21.24. Deut. 2.37. Iosh. 24.8

* Exod. 12.51.

* Chap. 7.12.

‖ Or, I am pressed vnder you, as a cart is pressed full of sheaues.

† Heb. his soule or life.

† Heb. stoute of his heart.

† Heb. visite vpon.

3 Can two walke together, except they be agreed?

4 Will a Lyon roare in the forrest when hee † *hath* no prey? will a young Lyon † cry out of his den, if he haue taken nothing?

† Hebr. *giue forth his voice.*

5 Can a bird fall in a snare vpon the earth, where no ginne *is* for him? shall one take vp a snare from the earth, and haue taken nothing at all?

6 Shall a trumpet be blowne in the city, and the people ‖ not be afraid? shall there be euill in a citie, ‖ and the LORD hath not done *it*?

‖ Or, not runne together.

7 Surely the Lord GOD will doe nothing, but he reuealeth his secret vnto his seruants the Prophets.

‖ Or, and shall not the Lord doe somewhat?

8 The Lyon hath roared, who will not feare? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesie?

9 ¶ Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble your selues vpon the mountaines of Samaria: and behold the great tumults in the midst thereof, and the ‖ oppressed in the midst thereof.

‖ Or, oppressions.

10 For they know not to doe right, saith the LORD, who store vp violence and ‖ robberie in their palaces.

‖ Or, spoile.

11 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, An aduersary *there shall be* euen round about the land: and he shall bring downe thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.

12 Thus saith the LORD, As the shepherd † taketh out of the mouth of the Lyon two legges, or a piece of an eare; so shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria, in the corner of a bed, and in Damascus ‖ in a couch.

† Hebr. *deliuereth.*

‖ Or, on the beds feet

13 Heare yee and testifie in the house of Iacob, saith the Lord GOD, the God of hostes;

‖ Or, punish Israel for.

14 That in the day that I shall ‖ visit the transgressions of Israel vpon him, I will also visite the Altars of Bethel, and the hornes of the Altar shall be cut off and fall to the ground.

15 And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of Ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall haue an end, saith the LORD.

CHAP. IIII.

1 He reproueth Israel for oppression, 4 for idolatry, 6 And for their incorrigiblenesse.

HEare this word ye kine of Bashan, that *are* in the mountaine of Samaria, which oppresse the poore, which crush the needy, which say to their masters; Bring, and let vs drinke.

2 The Lord GOD hath sworne by his Holinesse, that loe, the dayes shall come vpon you, that he will take you away with hookes, and your posterity with fish hookes.

3 And ye shall goe out at the breaches, euery cow at that *which is* before her, and ‖ ye shall cast them into the palace saith the LORD.

‖ Or, yet shall cast away the things of the palace.

4 ¶ Come to Bethel and transgresse, at Gilgal multiply transgression, and bring your sacrifices euery morning *and* your tithes after † three yeeres.

† Hebr. three yeeres of dayes.

5 And † offer a sacrifice of thanksgiuing with leauen, and proclaime and publish the free offerings: for † this liketh you, O yee children of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

† Hebr. offer by burning.

6 ¶ And I also haue giuen you cleannesse of teeth in all your cities, and want of bread in all your places: yet haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the LORD.

† Hebr. to ye loue.

7 And also I haue withholden the raine from you, when *there were* yet three moneths to the harueſt, and I caused it to raine vpon one citie, and caused it not to raine vpon another city, one piece was rained vpon, and the piece whereupon it rained not, withered.

8 So two *or* three cities wandred vnto one city to drinke water; but they were not satisfied: yet haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the LORD.

9 I haue smitten you with blasting and mildew, ‖ when your gardens and your vineyards and your figtrees, and your oliue trees increased, the palmer worme deuoured *them*: yet haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the LORD.

‖ Or, when your gardens and your vineyards, &c.

10 I haue sent among you the pestilence after the manner of Egypt: your young men haue I slaine with the sword, and † haue taken away your horses, and I haue made the stinke of your campes come vp vnto your nostrils, yet haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the LORD.

† Hebr. with captiuity of your horses.

11 I haue ouerthrowne *some* of you, as God ouerthrew *Sodome and Gomorrah, and ye were as a fire brand plucke out of the burning: yet haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the LORD.

* Or, as God ouerthrew Sodome and Gomorrah.

12 Therefore thus will I doe vnto thee, O Israel: *and* because I will doe this vnto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.

13 For loe, he that formeth the mountaines, and createth the ‖ wind, and declareth vnto man, what *is* his thought that maketh the morning darkenesse, and treadeth vpon the high places of the earth, the LORD, the God of hostes is his Name.

‖ Or, spirit.

CHAP. V.

1 A lamentation for Israel. 4 An exhortation to repentance, 21 God reiecteth their hypocrisie and seruice.

HEare ye this word which I take vp against you, *euen* a lamentation, O house of Israel.

2 The virgine of Israel is fallen, she shall no more rise: she is forsaken vpon her land, there is none to raise her vp.

3 For thus saith the Lord GOD, The city that went out *by* a thousand shall leaue an hundred, and that which went forth *by* an hundred, shall leaue ten to the house of Israel.

4 ¶ For thus saith the LORD vnto the house of Israel, Seeke ye me, and ye shall liue.

5 But seeke not * Bethel, nor enter into Gilgal, and passe not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captiuity, & Bethel shall come to nought.

* Or, Seeke the LORD, and ye shall liue, lest he breake out like fire in the house of Ioseph, and deuoure it, and *there be* none to quench *it* in Bethel.

6 Seeke the LORD, and ye shall liue, lest he breake out like fire in the house of Ioseph, and deuoure *it*, and *there be* none to quench *it* in Bethel.

7 Yee who turne iudgement to wormewood, and leaue off righteousnesse in the earth:

8 *Seeke him* that maketh the seuen starres and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day darke with night: that calleth for the waters of the Sea, & powreth them out vpon the face of the earth: the LORD *is* his Name.

9 That strengtheneth the † spoyled against the strong: so that the spoyled shall come against the fortresse.

† Or, and the strength against the strong.

10 They hate him that reproueth in the gate, and they abhorre him that speaketh vprightly.

11 Forasmuch therefore as your treading *is* vpon the poore, and ye take from him burdens of wheate: * ye haue built houses of hewen stone, but ye shall not dwell in them: ye haue planted † pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drinke wine of them.

* Or, ye haue built houses of hewen stone, but ye shall not dwell in them: ye haue planted pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drinke wine of them.

† Hebr. desires of vineyards.

12 For I know your manifold transgressions, and your mighty sinnes: they afflict the iust, they take ‖ a bribe, and they turne aside the poore in the gate *from their right*.

‖ Or, a reward.

13 Therefore the prudent shall keepe silence at that time, for it *is* an euill time.

14 Seeke good and not euill, that ye may liue: and so the LORD the God of hostes shall be with you, as ye haue spoken.

15 *Hate the euill, and loue the good, and establish iudgement in the gate: It may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious vnto the remnant of Ioseph.

16 Therefore the LORD, the God of hostes, the Lord, saith thus; Wailing *shall be* in all streets, and they shall say in all the high wayes, Alas, alas: And they shall call the husbandman to mourning, and such as are skilfull of lamentation to wailing.

17 And in all vineyards *shall be* wailing: *for* I will passe thorow thee, saith the LORD.

18 *Woe vnto you that desire the day of the LORD: to what end is it for you? the day of the LORD is darknesse, and not light.

19 As if a man did flee from a Lyon, and a Beare met him, or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.

20 Shall not the day of the LORD *be* darknesse, and not light? euen very darke, and no bright nesse in it?

21 ¶ *I hate, I despise your feast dayes, and I will not smell in your solemne assemblies.

22 Though ye offer me burnt offerings, and your meat offrings, I will not accept *them*: neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts.

23 Take thou away from me the noyse of thy songs: for I will not heare the melody of thy viols.

24 But let iudgement ‖ run downe as waters, and righteousnesse as a mighty streame.

25 *Haue ye offered vnto me sacrifices and offerings in the wildernes forty yeres, O house of Israel?

26 But ye haue borne the ‖ Tabernacle of your Moloch, and Chiun your images, the starre of your god which ye made to your selues.

27 Therefore will I cause you to goe into captiuity beyond Damascus, saith the LORD, whose Name is, The God of hostes.

CHAP. VI.

1 The wantonnesse of Israel, 7 shall be plagued with desolation, 12 and their incorrigiblenesse.

WOe to *them that ‖ are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named *‖ chiefe of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came.

2 Passe ye vnto Calneh and see, and from thence goe ye to Hemath the great, then go down to Gath of the Philistines: be they better then these kingdomes? or their border greater then your border?

3 Ye that *put farre away the *euill day, and cause the seat of violence to come neere:

4 That lie vpon beds of yuory, and ‖ stretch themselues vpon their couches, and eat the lambes out of the flocke, and the calues out of the midst of the stall:

5 That ‖ chaunt to the sound of the viole, *and* inuent to themselues instruments of musicke, like Dauid:

6 That drinke ‖ wine in bowles, and anoint themselues with the chiefe ointments: but they are not grieued for the † affliction of Ioseph.

7 ¶ Therefore now shall they goe captiue with the first that goe captiue, and the banquet of them that stretched themselues, shall be removed.

8 *The Lord GOD hath sworne by himselfe, saith the LORD, the God of hostes, I abhorre the excellency of Iacob, and hate his palaces: therefore will I deliuer vp the city, with all that is therein.

9 And it shall come to passe, if there remaine ten men in one house, *that* they shall die.

10 And a mans vncle shall take him vp, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say vnto him that is by the sides of the house; *Is* there yet any with thee? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, *Hold thy tongue: for ‖ we may not make mention of the Name of the LORD. *Chap. 5.13.

11 For behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with ‖ breaches, and the little house with clefts. ‖ Or, they will not, or haue not.

12 ¶ Shall horses run vpon the rocke? will one plow *there* with oxen? for ye haue turned iudgement into gall, and the fruit of righteousnesse into hemlocks. ‖ Or, droppings.

13 Ye which reioyce in a thing of nought, which say, Haue we not taken to vs horns by our owne strength?

14 But behold, I will raise vp against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD the God of hostes, and they shall afflict you, from the entring in of Hemath, vnto the ‖ riuer of the wildernesse. ‖ Or, valley.

CHAP. VII.

1 The iudgements of the grashoppers, 4 and of the fire, are diuerted by the prayer of Amos. 7 By the wall of a plumbe line, is signified the reiection of Israel. 10 Amaziah complaineth of Amos. 14 Amos sheweth his calling, 16 and Amaziahs iudgement.

THus hath the Lord GOD shewed vnto me, and behold, he formed ‖ grashoppers in the beginning of the shooting vp of the latter growth: and lo, *it was* the latter growth after the kings mowings. ‖ Or, great worms.

2 And it came to passe, *that* when they had made an end of eating the grasse of the land, *then* I said; O Lord GOD, forgiue, I beseech thee, ‖ by whom shall Iacob arise? for he *is* small. ‖ Or, who of (or for) Iacob shall stand.

3 The LORD repented for this. It shall not be, saith the LORD.

4 ¶ Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed vnto me; and behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire, and it deuoured the great deepe, and did eat vp a part.

5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee, by whom shall Iacob arise? for he *is* small.

6 The LORD repented for this. This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.

7 ¶ Thus he shewed me, and behold, the Lord stood vpon a wall *made by* a plumbe line, with a plumbe line in his hand.

8 And the LORD said vnto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbe line. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbe line in the midst of my people Israel, I will not againe passe by them any more.

9 And the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the Sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste: and I will rise against the house of Ieroboam with the sword.

10 ¶ Then Amaziah the Priest of Bethel sent to Ieroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to beare all his words.

11 For thus Amos saith, Ieroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led away captiue out of their owne land.

12 Also Amaziah said vnto Amos, O thou Seer, goe flee thee away into the land of Iudah, and there eat bread, and prophesie there.

13 But prophesie not againe any more at Bethel: for it *is* the Kings ‖ Chappell, and it *is* the † Kings † Court. ‖ Or, Sanctuary. †Hebr. house of

14 ¶ Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, *the king* I *was* no Prophet, neither *was* I a Prophets sonne, *dom,*

but

but I was an herdman, and a gatherer of ‖ Sycamore fruit.

15 And the LORD tooke me † as I followed the flocke, and the LORD said vnto me, Goe prophesie vnto my people Israel.

16 ¶ Now therefore heare thou the word of the LORD; Thou sayest, Prophesie not against Israel, and * drop not thy word against the house of Isaac.

17 Therefore, Thus saith the LORD, Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sonnes and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be diuided by line: and thou shalt die in a polluted land, and Israel shall surely goe into captiuity forth of his land.

CHAP. VIII.

1 By a basket of Summer fruit, is shewed the propinquitie of Israels end. 4 Oppression is reprooued. 11 A famine of the word threatned.

THus hath the Lord GOD shewed vnto me, and behold, a basket of Summer fruit.

2 And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of Summer fruit. Then said the LORD vnto me, The end is come vpon my people of Israel; I will not againe passe by them any more.

3 And the songs of the Temples † shall be howlings in that day, saith the Lord GOD: *there shall be* many dead bodies in euery place, they shall cast *them* forth † with silence.

4 ¶ Heare this, O ye that swallow vp the needy, euen to make the poore of the land to faile,

5 Saying, When will the ‖ new Moone be gone, that we may sell corne? and the Sabbath, that we may † set foorth wheat, making the Ephah small and the shekell great, and † falsifying the balances by deceit?

6 That we may buy the poore for * siluer, and the needy for a paire of shoes; yea, and sell the refuse of the wheat?

7 The LORD hath sworne by the excellencie of Iacob, Surely I will neuer forget any of their workes.

8 Shall not the land tremble for this, and euery one mourne that dwelleth therein? and it shall rise vp wholly as a flood, and it shall be cast out and drowned, as by the flood of Egypt.

9 And it shall come to passe in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the Sunne to goe downe at noone, and I will darken the earth in the cleare day.

10 And I will turne your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into Lamentation; & I will bring vp sackcloth vpon all loynes, and baldnesse vpon euery head: and I will make it as the mourning of an only *son*, and the end thereof as a bitter day.

11 ¶ Behold, the dayes come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD.

12 And they shall wander from Sea to Sea, and from the North, euen to the East, they shall run to and fro, to seeke the word of the LORD, and shall not find *it*.

13 In that day shall the faire virgines, and yong men faint for thirst.

14 They that sweare by the sinne of Samaria, and say, Thy God, O Dan, liueth; and the manner of Beersheba liueth, euen they shall fall, and neuer rise vp againe.

CHAP. IX.

1 The certaintie of the desolation. 11 The rebuilding of the Tabernacle of Dauid.

I Saw the Lord standing vpon the Altar, and he said, Smite the ‖ lintell of the doore, that the posts may shake: and ‖ cut them in the head, all of them; & I will slay the last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them, shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not be deliuered.

2 *Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them: though they climbe vp to heauen, thence will I bring them downe.

3 And though they hide themselues in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out thence, and though they be hid from my sight in the bottome of the Sea, thence will I command the Serpent, and he shall bite them.

4 And though they goe into captiuitie before their enemies, thence will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and * I will set mine eyes vpon them for euill, and not for good.

5 And the Lord GOD of hosts *is he* that toucheth the land, and it shall melt, and all that dwelleth therein shall mourne; and it shall rise vp wholly like a flood, and shall be drowned as by the flood of Egypt.

6 *It is* he that buildeth his ‖ * stories in the heauen, and hath † founded his ‖ troupe in the earth: he that * calleth for the waters of the sea, and powreth them out vpon the face of the earth: the LORD *is* his Name.

7 Are ye not as children of the Ethiopians vnto me, O children of Israel, saith the LORD? Haue not I brought vp Israel out of the land of Egypt? and the * Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir?

8 Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD *are* vpon the sinfull kingdome, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saue that I will not vtterly destroy the house of Iacob, saith the LORD.

9 For loe, I will command, and I will † sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as *corne is* sifted in a siue, yet shall not the least † graine fall vpon the earth.

10 All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say: The euill shall not ouertake nor preuent vs.

11 ¶ In that day will I raise vp the * Tabernacle of Dauid that is fallen, and † close vp the breaches thereof, and I will raise vp his ruines, and I will build it as in the dayes of old:

12 That they may possesse the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, † which are called by my Name, saith the LORD that doth this.

13 Behold, the dayes come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall ouertake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that † soweth seed; and the mountaines shall drop * sweet wine, and all the hils shall melt.

14 And I will bring againe the captiuitie of my people of Israel: and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabite *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and drinke the wine thereof: they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

15 And I will plant them vpon their land, and they shall no more be pulled out of their land which I haue giuen them, saith the LORD thy God.

‖ Or, wilde figges. † Hebr. from behinde. * Ezek. 21.2.

† Hebr. seek howle. † Hebr. be silent. ‖ Or. moneth. † Hebr. open. † Hebr. perverting the ballances of deceit. * Chap. 2.6.

¶ OBADIAH

1 *The destruction of Edom,* 3 *for their pride,* 10 *and for their wrong vnto Iacob.* 17 *The saluation and victory of Iacob.*

THe vision of Obadiah: Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom; * Wee haue heard a rumour from the LORD, and an Ambassadour is sent among the heathen: Arise yee, and let vs rise vp against her in battell.

2 Behold, I haue made thee small among the heathen: thou art greatly despised.

3 ¶ The pride of thine heart hath deceiued thee: thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rocke, whose habitation *is* high, that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me downe to the ground?

4 * Though thou exalt thy selfe as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the starres, thence will I bring thee downe, saith the LORD.

5 If * theeues came to thee, if robbers by night, (how art thou cut off?) would they not haue stolen till they had enough? If the grape gatherers came to thee, would they not leaue ‖ *some* grapes?

6 How are *the things* of Esau searched out! *how* are his hid things sought vp?

7 All the men of thy confederacy haue brought thee euen to the border: † the men that were at peace with thee, haue deceiued thee, *and* preuailed against thee: † *they that eate* thy bread, haue laid a wound vnder thee: there is none vnderstanding in him.

8 * Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD, euen destroy the wise men out of Edom, and vnderstanding out of the mount of Esau?

9 And thy mighty men, O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that euery one of the mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.

10 ¶ For thy * violence against thy brother Iacob, shame shall couer thee, and thou shalt be cut off for euer.

11 In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers ‖ carried away captiue his forces, and forreiners entred into his gates, and cast lots vpon Ierusalem, euen thou *wast* as one of them.

12 But ‖ thou shouldest not haue looked on the day of thy brother, in the day that hee became a stranger, neither shouldest thou haue reioyced ouer the children of Iudah in the day of their destruction: neither shouldest thou haue † spoken proudly in the day of distresse. ‖ Or, *doe not behold, &c.* † Hebr. *magnified thy mouth.*

13 Thou shouldest not haue entred into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity: yea, thou shouldest not *haue* looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor haue laid *hands* on their ‖ substance in the day of their calamity. ‖ Or, *forces.*

14 Neither shouldest thou haue stood in the crosse way, to cut off those of his that did escape, neither shouldest thou haue ‖ deliuered vp those of his that did remaine in the day of distresse. ‖ Or, *shut vp.*

15 For the day of the LORD *is* neere vpon all the heathen: * as thou hast done, it shall bee done vnto thee, thy reward shall returne vpon thine owne head. * Ezek. 35.15.

16 For as ye haue drunke vpon my holy mountaine *so* shall all the heathen drinke continually: yea, they shall drinke, and they shall ‖ swallow downe, and they shalbe as though they had not beene. ‖ Or, *sup vp.*

17 ¶ And vpon mount Zion shalbe ‖ deliuerance, and there ‖ shall be holinesse, and the house of Iacob shall possesse their possessions. ‖ Or, *they that escape.*

18 And the house of Iacob shall be a fire, and the house of Ioseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and deuoure them, and there shall not be *any* remaining of the house of Esau, for the LORD hath spoken *it.* ‖ Or, *shall be holy.*

19 And they of the South shall possesse the mount of Esau, and they of the plaine, the Philistines: and they shall possesse the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria, and Beniamin *shall possesse* Gilead. ‖ Or, *shall possesse that which is in Sepharad.*

20 And the captiuity of this hoste of the children of Israel *shall possesse* that of the Canaanites, euen vnto Zarephath, and the captiuity of Ierusalem, ‖ which *is* in Sepharad, shall possesse the cities of the South. * 1. Tim. 4.16. 1. Cor. 5.20. * Luke 1.33.

21 And * Sauiours shall come vp on mount Zion, to iudge the mount of Esau, and the * kingdome shall be the LORDS.

¶ IONAH.

CHAP. I.

1 *Ionah sent to Nineueh, fleeth to Tarshish.* 4 *He is buriayed by a tempest,* 11 *throwne into the Sea,* 17 *and swallowed by a fish.*

NOw the word of the LORD came vnto ‖ Ionah the sonne of Amittai, saying,

2 Arise, goe to Nineueh that * great city, and cry against it; for their wickednesse is come vp before me. * 4. 11.

3 But Ionah rose vp to flee vnto Tarshish, from the presence of the LORD, and went downe to Ioppa, and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he payed the fare thereof, and went downe into it, to goe with them vnto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.

4 But the LORD † sent out a great winde into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship † was like to bee broken. ‖ Hebr. *thought.* † Hebr. *thought.*

5 Then the mariners were afraid, and cryed † euery man vnto his god, and cast foorth the wares that were in the ship, into the sea, to lighten it of them: but Ionah was gone downe into the sides of the ship, and he lay, and was fast asleepe. † Hebr. *to be broken.*

6 So the Shipmaster came to him, and said vnto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? Arise call vpon thy God, if so be that God will thinke vpon vs, that we perish not.

7 And they said euery one to his fellow; Come and let vs cast lots, that wee may know for whose cause this euill *is* vpon vs. So they cast lots, and the lot fell vpon Ionah.

8 Then said they vnto him, Tell vs, we pray thee for whose cause this euill *is* vpon vs: What is thine occupation? and whence commest thou? What *is* thy country? and of what people *art* thou?

9 And

Miles round Radin this Province.

9 And he said vnto them, I *am* an Hebrew, and I feare the LORD the God of heauen, which hath made the sea and the dry land.

† Hebr. with great feare.

10 Then were the men † exceedingly afraid, and said vnto him, Why hast thou done this? (for the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.)

† Hebr. make faint from vs.

11 ¶ Then said they vnto him, What shall wee doe vnto thee, that the sea † may be calme vnto vs? (for the sea ‖ wrought and was tempestuous.)

‖ Or, grew more and more tempestuous. Heb. went

12 And he said vnto them, Take me vp, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea bee calme vnto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest is vpon you.

† Hebr. digged.

13 Neuertheless the men † rowed hard to bring it to the land, but they could not: for the sea wrought and was tempestuous against them.

† Hebr. stood.

14 Wherefore they cryed vnto the LORD, and said, Wee beseech thee, O LORD, we beseech thee, let vs not perish for this mans life, and lay not vpon vs innocent blood: for thou, O LORD, hast done as it pleased thee.

† Heb. sacrificed a sacrifice & vowed vowes.

15 So they tooke vp Ionah, and cast him forth into the sea, and the sea † ceased from her raging.

*Matth. 12.40. and 16.4. Luke 11. 30.

16 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and † offered a sacrifice vnto the LORD, and made vowes.

† Hebr. bowels.

17 ¶ Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow vp *Ionah, and Ionah was in the † belly of the fish three daies, and three nights.

CHAP. II.

The prayer of Ionah. 10 *Hee is deliuered from the fish.*

THen Ionah prayed vnto the LORD his God out of the fishes belly,

* Psal. 120.1. ‖ Or, out of mine affliction. ‖ Or, the graue. † Hebr. heart.

2 And said, I * cryed ‖ by reason of mine affliction vnto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of ‖ hell cryed I, *and* thou heardest my voyce.

3 For thou hadst cast mee into the deepe, in the † midst of the seas, and the floods compassed mee about: all thy billowes and thy waues passed ouer mee.

4 Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will looke againe toward thy holy Temple.

* Psal. 69.2.

5 The * waters compassed me about euen to the soule the depth closed me round about; the weeds were wrapt about my head.

† Hebr. cuttings off. ‖ Or, the pit.

6 I went downe to the † bottomes of the mountaines: the earth with her barres *was* about me for euer: yet hast thou brought vp my life from ‖ corruption, O LORD my God.

7 When my soule fainted within mee, I remembred the LORD, and my prayer came in vnto thee into thine holy Temple.

8 They that obserue lying vanities, forsake their owne mercy.

* Psal. 50. 14.23. & 116.7. hos. 14.2 heb. 13.15. & Psal. 3.9

9 But I will sacrifice vnto thee, with the voyce of * thanksgiuing, I will pay that that I haue vowed: * saluation *is* of the LORD.

10 ¶ And the LORD spake vnto the fish, and it vomited out Ionah vpon the dry land.

CHAP. III.

Ionah sent againe, preacheth to the Ninevites. 5 *Vpon their repentance,* 10 *God repenteth.*

ANd the word of the LORD came vnto Ionah the second time, saying,

2 Arise, goe vnto Nineueh that great city, and preach vnto it the preaching that I bid thee.

3 So Ionah arose, and went vnto Nineueh, according to the word of the LORD; now Nineueh was an † exceeding great city of three dayes iourney.

† Hebr. of a great exceeding city.

4 And Ionah began to enter into the city a dayes iourney, and hee cryed, and said: Yet forty dayes and Nineueh shall be ouerthrowne.

5 ¶ So the people of Nineueh * beleeued God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them, euen to the least of them.

6 For word came vnto the King of Nineueh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and couered *him* with sackcloth, and sate in ashes.

7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and † published thorow Nineueh, (by the decree of the King and his † nobles) saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flocke taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drinke water.

† Hebr. proud.

8 But let man and beast be couered with sackcloth, and cry mightily vnto God: yea, let them turne euery one from his euill way, and from the violence that *is* in their hands.

9 * Who can tell *if* God will turne and repent, and turne away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

* Ioel. 2.13. Ion. 1.6.

10 ¶ And God saw their workes, that they turned from their euill way: and God repented of the euill that he had said that he would do vnto them, and he did *it* not.

CHAP. IIII.

Ionah repining at Gods mercy, 4 *is reproued by the type of a gourd.*

BVt it displeased Ionah exceedingly, and hee was very angry.

2 And he prayed vnto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, * O LORD, *was* not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before vnto Tarshish: for I knew that thou *art a* gracious God, and mercifull, slow to anger, and of great kindnesse, and repentest thee of the euill.

3 Therefore now, O LORD, take I beseech thee, my life from me; for it *is* better for me to die then to liue.

4 ¶ Then said the LORD, ‖ Doest thou well to be angry?

‖ Or, Doest thou euill to be angry?

5 So Ionah went out of the city, and sate on the East side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sate vnder it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.

6 And the LORD God prepared a † gourd, and made it to come vp ouer Ionah, that it might be a shadow ouer his head, to deliuer him from his griefe. So Ionah was exceeding glad of the gourd.

† Or, kikaion.

7 But God prepared a worme when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd, that it withered.

8 And it came to passe when the Sun did arise, that God prepared a ‖ sultry east wind: and the Sun beat vpon the head of Ionah, that he fainted, and wished in himselfe to die, and said, It is better for me to die, then to liue.

‖ Or, vehement.

9 And God said vnto Ionah, ‖ Doest thou well to bee angry for the gourd? And he said, I doe well to be angry, euen vnto death.

‖ Or, Doest thou euill to be angry?

10 Then said the LORD, Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow, which came vp in a night, and perished in a night:

11 And should not I spare Nineueh that great city, wherein are more then sixe score thousand persons, that cannot discerne betweene their right hand and their left hand, and also much cattell?

Iid Gourd is a thing that grew up like a Bay Tree MICAH 52 Cupins-Glass. Jonah. 4.6. To shew [illegible] Jonah

¶ MICAH.

CHAP. I.

Micah sheweth the wrath of God against Iacob & idolatry. 10 *He exhorteth to mourning.*

THE word of the LORD that came to Micah the Morasthite, in the dayes of Iotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah Kings of Iudah, which hee saw concerning Samaria, and Ierusalem.

2 †Heare, all ye people, hearken, O earth, and all that therein is, and let the Lord GOD be witnesse against you, the Lord from his holy Temple.

3 For behold, * the LORD commeth forth out of his * place, and will come downe, and tread vpon the *high places of the earth.

4 And * the mountaines shall bee molten vnder him, and the valleys shall be cleft: as waxe before the fire, *and* as the waters that are powred downe a steepe place.

5 For the transgression of Iacob *is* all this, and for the sinnes of the house of Israel: What *is* the transgression of Iacob? *Is* it not Samaria? And what *are* the high places of Iudah? *are* they not Ierusalem?

6 Therefore I will make Samaria *as* an heape of the field, *and as* plantings of a vineyard: and I will powre downe the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discouer the foundations thereof.

7 And all the grauen images thereof shalbe beaten to pieces, & all the hires thereof shall be burnt with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered *it* of the hire of an harlot, and they shall returne to the hire of an harlot.

8 Therefore I will waile and howle, I will goe stript and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the † owles.

9 For ‖her wound *is* incurable, for it is come vnto Iudah: hee is come vnto the gate of my people, *euen* to Ierusalem.

10 † *Declare ye it* not at Gath, weepe yee not at all: In the house of ‖ Aphrah, * roule thy selfe in the dust.

11 Passe yee away thou † inhabitant of ‖ Saphir, hauing thy shame naked: the inhabitant of ‖ Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of ‖ Beth-ezel, he shall receiue of you his standing.

12 For the inhabitant of Maroth ‖ waited carefully for good, but euill came downe from the LORD vnto the gate of Ierusalem.

13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: *she is* the beginning of the sinne to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.

14 Therefore shalt thou giue presents ‖ to Moresheth-Gath: the houses of ‖ Achzib *shall be* a lie to the Kings of Israel.

15 Yet will I bring an heire vnto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: ‖ he shall come vnto Adullam, the glory of Israel.

16 Make thee * bald, and poll thee, for thy delicate children, enlarge thy baldnesse, as the Eagle, for they are gone into captiuity from thee.

CHAP. II.

Against oppression. 4 *A lamentation.* 7 *A reproofe of iniustice and idolatry.* 12 *A promise of restoring Iacob.*

WOe to them that deuise iniquity, and worke euill vpon their beds: when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.

2 And they couet * fields, and take *them* by violence: and † houses, and take *them* away: so they ‖ oppresse a man and his house, *euen* a man and his heritage.

3 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, against this family do I deuise an euill, from which ye shall not remoue your necks, neither shall yee goe haughtily: for this time *is* euill.

4 ¶ In that day shall one take vp a parable against you, and lament with a † dolefull lamentation, *and* say, We be vtterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he remooued it from me? ‖ turning away hee hath diuided our fields.

5 Therefore thou shalt haue none that shal * cast a coard by lot in the Congregation of the LORD.

6 ‖† * Prophesie yee not, *say they, to them that* prophesie: they shall not prophesie to them, *that* they shall not take shame.

7 ¶ O thou that art named the house of Iacob, *is* the Spirit of the LORD ‖ straitned? *are* these his doings? doe not my words doe good to him that walketh † vprightly?

8 † Euen of late my people is risen vp as an enemy: yee pull off the robe † with the garment from them that passe by securely, as men auerse from warre.

9 The ‖ women of my people haue yee cast out from their pleasant houses, from their children haue ye taken away my glory for euer.

10 Arise ye, and depart, for this *is* not *your* rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy *you* euen with a sore destruction.

11 If a man ‖ walking in the spirit and falshood, doe lie, *saying*, I will prophesie vnto thee of wine and of strong drinke, he shall euen be the Prophet of this people.

12 ¶ I will surely assemble, O Iacob, all of thee: I will surely gather the remnant of Israel, I will put them together as the sheepe of Bozrah, as the flocke in the middest of their fold: they shal make great noise, by reason of *the multitude of* men.

13 The breaker is come vp before them: they haue broken vp, and haue passed thorow the gate, and are gone out by it, and their King shall passe before them, and the LORD on the head of them.

CHAP. III.

1 *The cruelty of the Princes.* 5 *The falshood of the Prophets.* 8 *The security of them both.*

AND I said, Heare, I pray you, O heads of Iacob, and ye Princes of the house of Israel: *Is* it not for you to know iudgement?

2 Who hate the good, and loue the euill, who plucke off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones.

3 Who also eate the flesh of my people, and flay their skinne from off them, and they breake their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the cauldron.

4 Then shall they cry vnto the LORD, but hee will not heare them: hee will euen hide his face from them at that time, as they haue behaued themselues ill in their doings.

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD concerning the Pro-

* Isa.5.8.
‖ Or, ac-quaint.
† Heb. with a lamentation of lamentations.
‖ Or, in stead of restoring.
* Deut.23. 8,9.
‖ Or, prophesie not, as they prophesie.
† Heb. drop, &c.
* Isa.30. 10.
‖ Or, Storme-tossed.
† Heb. vpright.
‖ Heb. yesterday.
† Heb. ouer a garment.
‖ Or, mans
‖ Or, walk with the wind, and lie falsely.

Prophets that make my people erre, that * bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace: and he that putteth not into their mouthes, they euen prepare warre against him:

6 Therefore night *shall be* vnto you, † that yee shall not haue a vision, and it shall bee darke vnto you, † that yee shall not diuine, and the Sun shall goe downe ouer the Prophets, and the day shall be darke ouer them.

7 Then shall the Seers be ashamed, and the diuiners confounded: yea, they shall all couer their † lips, for *there is* no answere of God.

8 ¶ But truely I am full of power by the Spirit of the LORD, and of iudgement, and of might, to declare vnto Iacob his transgression, and to Israel his sinne.

9 Heare this, I pray you, yee heads of the house of Iacob, and Princes of the house of Israel, that abhorre iudgement, and peruert all equity.

10 They build vp Zion with * † blood, and Ierusalem with iniquity.

11 The heads thereof iudge for reward, and the Priests thereof teach for hire, and the Prophets thereof diuine for money: yet will they leane vpon the LORD, † and say, Is not the LORD among vs? none euil can come vpon vs.

12 Therefore shal Zion for your sake be * plowed as a field, and Ierusalem shall become heapes, and the mountaine of the house, as the high places of the forrest.

CHAP. IIII.

1 The glory, 3 peace, 8 kingdome, 11 and victory of the Church.

BVt * in the last dayes it shall come to passe, *that* the mountaine of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountaines, and it shall be exalted aboue the hils, and people shall flow vnto it.

2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let vs goe vp to the mountaine of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Iacob, and he will teach vs of his wayes, and wee will walke in his paths: for the Law shall goe foorth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Ierusalem.

3 ¶ And he shall iudge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afarre off, and they shall beat their swords into * plough-shares, and their speares into ‖ pruning hookes: nation shall not lift vp a sword against nation, neither shall they learne warre any more.

4 But they shall sit euery man vnder his vine, and vnder his figtree, and none shall make *them* afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hoastes hath spoken *it*.

5 For all people will walke euery one in the name of his god, and we will walke in the Name of the LORD our God for euer and euer.

6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driuen out, and her that I haue afflicted.

7 And I will make her that * halted, a remnant; and her that was cast farre off, a strong nation: and the LORD * shall reigne ouer them in mount Zion, from henceforth euen for euer.

8 ¶ And thou, O tower of the flocke, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, vnto thee shall it come, euen the first dominion, the kingdome shall come to the daughter of Ierusalem.

9 Now why doest thou cry out aloud? *is there* no King in thee? Is thy counseller perished? for pangs haue taken thee as a woman in trauell.

10 Bee in paine, and labour to bring foorth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in trauell: for now shalt thou goe forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt goe vnto Babylon: there shalt thou be deliuered: there the LORD shall redeeme thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 ¶ Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye looke vpon Zion.

12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither vnderstand they his counsell: for he shall gather them as the sheaues into the floore.

13 Arise & thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horne iron, and I will make thy hoofes brasse, & thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gaine vnto the LORD, and their substance vnto the Lord of the whole earth.

CHAP. V.

1 The birth of Christ: 4 His kingdome: 5 and conquest.

NOw gather thy selfe in troupes, O daughter of troupes: hee hath laid siege against vs: they shall smite the Iudge of Israel with a rod vpon the cheeke.

2 But thou * Beth-lehem Ephratah, *though* thou be little among the thousands of Iudah, *yet* out of thee shall he come forth vnto me, *that is to be* the ruler in Israel: whose goings forth *haue been* from of old, † from euerlasting.

3 Therefore will he giue them vp, vntill the time that shee which trauelleth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall returne vnto the children of Israel.

4 ¶ And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the Maiesty of the Name of the LORD his God, and they shall abide: for now shall he be great vnto the ends of the earth.

5 And this *man* shall be the peace *when* the Assyrian shall come into our land: and *when* he shall tread in our palaces, *then* shall we raise against him seuen shepherds, and eight ‖ principall men.

6 And they shall † waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliuer *vs* from the Assyrian *when* he commeth into our land, and *when* he treadeth within our borders.

7 And the remnant of Iacob shall be in the midst of many people, as a dew from the LORD, as the showres vpon the grasse, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sonnes of men.

8 ¶ And the remnant of Iacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people, as a lion among the beasts of the forrest, as a young lion among the flockes of sheepe: who if he goe through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliuer.

9 Thine hand shall be lifted vp vpon thine aduersaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

10 And it shall come to passe in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thine horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots.

11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw downe all thy strong holds.

12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand, and thou shalt haue no more ‖ soothsayers.

13 Thy grauen images also will I cut off, and thy ‖ standing images out of the midst of thee, and thou shalt no more worship the worke of thine hands.

14 And I will pluck vp thy groues out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy cities.

15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury vpon the heathen, such as they haue not heard.

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CHAP. VI.

1 *Godcontrouerſie for vnkindneſſe, 6 for ignorance, 10 for iniuſtice, 16 and for Idolatry.*

HEare yenow what the LORD ſaith, Ariſe, contend thou before the *mountaines, and the hils heare thy voice.

2 Heare yee, O mountaines, the LORDS controuerſie, and ye ſtrong foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controuerſie with his people, and he will pleade with Iſrael.

3 O my people, what haue I done vnto thee, and wherein haue I wearied thee? teſtifie againſt me.

4 For I brought thee vp out of the land of *Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the houſe of ſeruants, and I ſent before thee Moſes, Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people remember now what *Balak king of Moab conſulted and what Balaam the ſon of Beor anſwered him from *Shittim vnto Gilgal, that ye may know the righteouſneſſe of the LORD.

6 ¶ Wherewith ſhall I come before the LORD, and bow my ſelfe before the high God? ſhall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calues of a yere old?

7 Will the LORD be pleaſed with thouſands of rammes, or with ten thouſands of riuers of oyle? ſhall I giue my firſt borne for my tranſgreſſion, the fruit of my body, for the ſinne of my ſoule?

8 He hath *ſhewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to doe iuſtly, and to loue mercy, and to † walke humbly with thy God?

9 The LORDS voice crieth vnto the citty, and the man of wiſedome ſhall ſee thy Name: heare ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

10 ¶ Are there yet the treaſures of wickednes in the houſe of the wicked, and the † ſcant meaſure that is abominable?

11 Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitfull weights?

12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence: and the inhabitants thereof haue ſpoken lies, and their tongue is deceitfull in their mouth.

13 Therefore alſo will I make thee ſicke in ſmiting thee, in making thee deſolate becauſe of thy ſinnes.

14 Thou ſhalt eate but not be ſatisfied, and thy caſting downe ſhall be in the midſt of thee: and thou ſhalt take hold, but ſhalt not deliuer: and that which thou deliuereſt, will I giue vp to the ſword.

15 Thou ſhalt ſow, but thou ſhalt not reape: thou ſhalt tread the oliues, but thou ſhalt not anoint thee with oyle: and ſweet wine, but ſhalt not drinke wine.

16 ¶ For the ſtatutes of *Omri are kept, and all the workes of the houſe of *Ahab: and ye walke in their counſels, that I ſhould make thee a deſolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hiſſing: therefore ye ſhall beare the reproach of my people.

CHAP. VII.

The Churchcomplaining of her ſmall number, and the generall corruption, ſ putteth her confidence not in man, but in God: 8 She triumpheth ouer her enemies, 14 God comforteth her by promiſes, 17 confuſion of the enemies, 18 and by his mercy.

WOe is me, for I am as when they haue gathered the † Summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: there is no cluſter to eate: my ſoule deſired the firſt ripe fruit.

2 The * † good man is periſhed out of the earth, and there is none vpright among men: they all lie in wait for blood: they hunt euery man his brother with a net.

3 ¶ That they may doe euill with both hands earneſtly, the Prince aſketh, and the Iudge aſketh for a reward: and the great man he vttereth his † miſchieuous deſire: ſo they wrap it vp.

4 The beſt of them is as a brier: the moſt vpright is ſharper then a thorne hedge: the day of thy watchmen, and thy viſitation commeth, now ſhall their perplexity be.

5 ¶ Truſt ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keepe the doores of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy boſome.

6 For * the ſonne diſhonoureth the father: the daughter riſeth vp againſt her mother: the daughter in law againſt her mother in law: a mans enemies are the men of his owne houſe.

7 Therefore I will looke vnto the LORD: I will wait for the God of my ſaluation: my God will heare me.

8 ¶ Reioyce not againſt me, O mine enemie: when I fall, I ſhall ariſe; when I ſit in darkneſſe, the LORD ſhall be a light vnto me.

9 I will beare the indignation of the LORD, becauſe I haue ſinned againſt him, vntill he pleade my cauſe, and execute iudgement for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I ſhall behold his righteouſneſſe.

10 Then † ſhe that is mine enemy ſhall ſee it, and couer her * which ſaid vnto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes ſhall behold her: now ſhall † ſhe be troden downe as the mire of the ſtreets.

11 In the day that thy * walls are to be built, in that day ſhall the decree be farre removed.

12 In that day alſo hee ſhall come vnto thee from Aſſyria, and † from the fortified cities, and † from the fortreſſe, vnto the riuer, and from Sea † Sea, and † from mountaine to mountaine.

13 ¶ Notwithſtanding the land ſhall be deſolate, becauſe of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

14 ¶ Feed thy people with thy rod, the flocke of thine heritage, which dwell ſolitarily in the wood, in the midſt of Carmel: let them feed in Baſhan and Gilead, as in the dayes of old.

15 According to the dayes of thy comming out of the land of Egypt, will I ſhew vnto him marueilous things.

16 ¶ The nations ſhall ſee, and be confounded at all their might: they ſhall lay their hand vpon their mouth: their eares ſhall be deafe.

17 They ſhall licke the * duſt like a ſerpent, they ſhall moue out of their holes like † wormes of the earth, they ſhall be afraid of the LORD our God, and ſhall feare becauſe of thee.

18 Who is a God like vnto thee, that * pardoneth iniquity, and paſſeth by the tranſgreſſion of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for euer, becauſe he delighteth in mercy.

19 He will turne againe, he will haue compaſſion vpon vs: he will ſubdue our iniquities, and thou wilt caſt all their ſinnes into the depthes of the Sea.

20 Thou wilt performe the truth to Iacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou haſt ſworne vnto our fathers from the dayes of old.

¶ NAHVM.

CHAP. I.

The maiestie of God in goodnesse to his people, and fearefull against his enemies

THE burden of Nineueh. The booke of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

2 ‖ God *is* * iealous, and the LORD reuengeth: the LORD reuengeth, and *is* † furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his aduersaries, and he reserueth *wrath* for his enemies.

3 The LORD *is* *slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit *the wicked*: the LORD *hath* his way in the whirlewind, and in the storme, and the cloudes *are* the dust of his feet.

4 He rebuketh the Sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth vp all the riuers; Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

5 The mountaines quake at him, and the hils melt, and the earth is burnt at his presence, yea, the world and all that dwell therein.

6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can † abide in the fiercenesse of his anger? his fury is powred out like fire, and the rockes are throwne downe by him.

7 The LORD is good, a ‖ strong hold in the day of trouble, & he knoweth them that trust in him.

8 But with an ouer-running flood he will make an vtter end of the place thereof, and darkenesse shall pursue his enemies.

9 What doe ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an vtter end: affliction shall not rise vp the second time.

10 For while they be folden together *as* thornes, and while they are drunken *as* drunkards, they shal be deuoured as stubble fully dry.

11 There is one come out of thee that imagineth euill against the LORD: † a wicked counseller.

12 Thus saith the LORD: ‖ Though they *be* quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be † cut downe when he shall passe thorow: though I haue afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.

13 For now will I breake his yoke from off thee, and I will burst thy bonds in sunder.

14 And the LORD hath giuen a commandement concerning thee, *that* no more of thy name be sowne: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the grauen image, and the molten image, I will make thy graue, for thou art vile.

15 Behold vpon the * mountaines the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace. O Iudah, † keepe thy solemne feasts, performe thy vowes: for the † wicked shall no more passe thorow thee, he is vtterly cut off.

CHAP. II.

The fearefull and victorious armies of God against Nineueh.

HE ‖ that dasheth in pieces, is come vp before thy face: keepe the munition, watch the way, make *thy* loynes strong, fortifie *thy* power mightily.

2 * For the LORD hath turned away the ‖ excellency of Iacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers haue emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.

3 The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet; the chariots *shall be* with † flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the firre trees shall be terribly shaken.

4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall iustle one against another in the broad wayes: † they shall seeme like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.

5 He shall recount his † worthies: they shall stumble in their walke: they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the † defence shall be prepared.

6 The gates of the riuers shall be opened, and the palace shall be ‖ dissolued.

7 And ‖ Hazzab shall be led away captiue, she shall be brought vp, and her maids shall lead her as with † voice of doues, tabering vpon their breasts.

8 But Nineueh is ‖ of old, like a poole of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, *shall they cry*: but none shall ‖ looke backe.

9 Take ye the spoile of siluer, take the spoile of gold: ‖ for there is none end of the store, and glory out of all the † pleasant furniture.

10 Shee is empty, and void, and waste, and the * heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much paine is in all loynes, and the faces of them all gather blacknesse.

11 Where is the dwelling of the lions, and the feeding place of the young lyons, where the lion, *euen* the old lion walked, and the lyons whelpe, and none made *them* afraid.

12 The lion did teare in pieces enough for his whelpes, *and* strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravine.

13 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hostes, and I will burne her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall deuoure thy young lyons, and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.

CHAP. III.

The miserable ruine of Nineueh.

WOe to the † * bloody city, it is all full of lies *and* robbery, the prey departeth not.

2 The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheeles, and of the prancing horses, and of the iumping chariots.

3 The horseman lifteth vp both the † bright sword, and the glittering speare, and there is a multitude of slaine, and a great number of carkeses: and *there is* none end of their corpses, they stumble vpon their corpses.

4 Because of the multitude of the whoredomes of the well fauoured harlot, the mistresse of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredomes, and families through her witchcrafts.

5 Behold, * I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hostes, and I will discouer thy skirts vpon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakednesse, and the kingdomes thy shame.

6 And I will cast abominable filthinesse vpon thee, and make thee vile, & will set thee as a gazing stocke.

7 And it shall come to passe, that all they that looke vpon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineueh is laid waste, who will bemoane her? whence shall I seeke comforters for thee?

8 Art thou better then ‖ populous No, that was situate among the riuers, *that had the* waters round about it, whose rampart *was* the Sea, *and her* wall from the Sea?

9 Ethiopia and Egypt *were* her strength, and

‖ *Or, the Lord is a iealous God, and auengeth, &c.*
* Exod. 20.5.
† *Heb. that hath fewle.*
*Exod. 34.7.

† *Heb. stand vp.*
‖ *Or, strength.*
† *Heb. a counseller of Belial.*
‖ *Or, if they should haue been at peace. so should they haue had leisure to haue done more, and so should haue shewn, and they should haue passe away.*
† *Heb. shewne.*
* Isa. 52. 7. rom. 10. 15.
† *Heb. feasts.*
† *Heb. Belial.*

‖ *Or, the disperser, or hammer.*
* Isa. 10. 12.
‖ *Or, the pride of Iacob, and the pride of Israel.*
‖ *Or, died scarlet,*

was infinite, Put and Lubim were † thy helpers.
10 Yet was she carried away, she went into captiuity: her young children also were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chaines.
11 Thou also shalt bee * drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seeke strength because of the enemy.
12 All thy strong holds *shall be like* figtrees with the first ripe figs: if they be shaken they shall euen fall into the mouth of the eater.
13 Behold, thy people in the midst of thee *are* women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open vnto thine enemies, the fire shall deuoure thy bars.
14 Draw thee waters for the siege: fortifie thy strong holds, goe into clay, and tread the morter: make strong the brick-kilne.
15 There shall the fire deuoure thee: the sword shall cut thee off: it shall eate thee vp like the canker-worme: make thy selfe many as the canker-worme, make thy selfe many as the locusts.
16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants aboue the starres of heauen; the canker-worme ‖ spoileth and fleeth away.
17 Thy crowned *are* as the locusts, and thy captaines as the great grashoppers which campe in the hedges in the cold day: *but* when the Sun ariseth, they flee away, and their place is not knowne where they *are*.
18 Thy shepherds slumber, O King of Assyria: thy ‖ nobles shall dwell *in the dust*: thy people is scattered vpon the mountaines, and no man gathereth *them*.
19 There is no ‖ healing of thy breach, thy wound is grieuous: all that heare the bruit of thee, shall clap the hands ouer thee: for vpon whom hath not thy wickednesse passed continually?

‖ Or, spreadeth himselfe.
‖ Or, rulers and cruel.
† Heb. wrinkling.

¶ HABAKKVK.

CHAP. I.

1 vnto Habakkuk complaining of the iniquity of Iudah, 5 is shewed the fearefull vengeance by the Chaldeans. 12 He complaineth that vengeance should be executed by them who are farre worse.

THE burden which Habakkuk the Prophet did see.
2 O LORD how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not heare! *euen* cry out vnto thee of violence, and thou wilt not saue!
3 Why doest thou shew me iniquity, and cause me to behold grieuance? for spoiling and violence *are* before me: and there are *that* raise vp strife and contention.
4 Therefore the Law is slacked, and iudgement neuer goe forth: for the * wicked doth compasse about the righteous: therefore ‖ wrong iudgement proceedeth.
5 ¶ Behold ye * among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marueilously: for I will worke a worke in your dayes, *which* ye will not beleeue, though it be told you.
6 For loe, I raise vp the Caldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, which shall march thorow the breadth of the land, to possesse the dwelling places that are not theirs.
7 They are terrible and dreadfull: ‖ their iudgement & their dignity shall proceed of themselues.
8 Their horses also are swifter then the leopards, and are more † fierce then the * euening wolues: and their horsemen shall spread themselues, and their horsemen shall come from farre, they shall flee as the Eagle *that* hasteth to eate.
9 They shall come all for violence: † their faces shall sup vp *as* the East wind, and they shall gather the captiuity as the sand.
10 And they shall scoffe at the Kings, and the princes *shall be* a scorne vnto them: they shall deride euery strong hold: for they shall heape dust and take it.
11 Then shall his mind change, and he shall passe ouer and offend, *imputing* this his power vnto his god.
12 Art thou not from euerlasting, O LORD my God, mine holy One? we shal not die: O LORD, thou hast ordained them for iudgement, and O † mighty God, thou hast † established them for correction.
13 Thou art of purer eyes then to behold euill, and canst not looke on ‖ iniquity: *wherefore* lookest thou vpon them that deale treacherously, *and* holdest thy tongue when the wicked deuoureth the man that is more righteous then he?
14 And makest men as the fishes of the sea, as the ‖ creeping things that *haue* no ruler ouer them.
15 They take vp all of them with the angle: they catch them in their net, and gather them in their ‖ drag: therefore they reioyce and are glad.
16 Therefore they sacrifice vnto their net, and burne incense vnto their dragge: because by them their portion is fat, and their meat ‖ plenteous.
17 Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

‖ Or, meaning.
‖ Or, fisher net.
‖ Or, dainty: Heb. fat.

CHAP. II.

1 vnto Habakkuk waiting for an answere, is shewed that hee must liue by faith. 5 The iudgement vpon the Caldean for vnsatiablenesse, 9 for couetousnesse, 12 for cruelty, 15 for drunkennesse, 18 and for idolatry.

I WILL * stand vpon my watch, and set me vpon the † tower, and will watch to see what he will say ‖ vnto me, and what I shall answere ‖ when I am reproued.
2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plaine vpon tables, that he may runne that readeth it.
3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speake, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it, because it will * surely come: it will not tarry.
4 Behold, his soule *which* is lifted vp, is not vpright in him: but * the iust shall liue by his faith.
5 ¶ ‖ Yea also because he transgresseth by wine, hee is a proud man, neither keepeth at home who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth vnto him all nations, and heapeth vnto him all people:
6 Shall not all these take vp a parable against him, and a taunting prouerbe against him, and say, ‖ Woe to him that increaseth *that which* is not his! how long? and to him that ladeth himselfe with thicke clay.
7 Shall they not rise vp suddenly that shall bite thee? and awake that shall vexe thee? and thou shalt be for booties vnto them?
8 Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoile thee: because

* Isa. 21. 8
† Heb. fenced place.
‖ Or, in my I am appointed with vs in my reproofe, or arguing.
* Heb. Gal. 3. 11.
‖ Or, how
‖ Or, that

of men† blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

† Heb. blood.

9 ¶ Woe to him that ‖ coueteth an euill couetousnesse to his house, ✝ he may set his nest on high, that he may be deliuered from the † power of euill.

‖ Or, is greedy of euill gain. ✝ Jere. 22. 13. † Or, hand.

10 Thou hast counsailed shame to thy house, by cutting off many people, & hast sinned against thy soule.

11 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the ‖ beame out of the timber ‖ shall answere it.

‖ Or, rafter. ‖ Or, shall answere to it.

12 ¶ Woe to him that buildeth a towne with * blood, and ‖ stablisheth a city by iniquity.

* Ezek. 24. 9. ‖ Or, erecteth.

13 Behold, is it not of the LORD of hostes, that the people shall labour in the very fire, and the people in vaine weary themselues for very vanity?

† Heb. bloods. ‖ Or, in vaine.

14 For the earth shall be filled ‖ with the * knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters couer the sea.

‖ Or, by knowing the glory of the Lord. * Num. 14. 21.

15 ¶ Woe vnto him that giueth his neighbour drinke: that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest looke on their † nakednesse.

† Heb. their nakednesses.

16 Thou art filled ‖ with shame for glory: * drinke thou also, and let thy foreskin be vncouered: the cup of the LORDS right hand shall be turned vnto thee, and shamefull spewing shall be on thy glory.

‖ Or, by shame. * Or, make thy foreskin to passe.

17 For the violence of Lebanon shall couer thee: and the spoile of beasts, which made them afraid, because of mens blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

* Num. 21. 9. ‖ Or more with shame than with glory.

18 ¶ What profiteth the grauen image, that the maker thereof hath grauen it, the molten image, and a † teacher of lies, that † the maker of his worke trusteth therein, to make dumbe idoles?

† Ier. 10. 8. † Or, teacher of lies. † Heb. the worke of his fashion. * Psal. 115. 4, 5. † Hebr. be silent.

19 Woe vnto him that saith to the wood, Awake: to the dumbe stone, Arise, it shall teach: behold, it is laid ouer with gold and siluer, and there is no breath at all in the midst of it.

Ier. 10. 8, 14.

20 But ✝ the LORD is in his holy Temple, † let all the earth keepe silence before him.

✝ Psal. 11. 4. † Heb. silence.

CHAP. III.

1 Habakkuk in his prayer trembleth at Gods iudgements. 17 The confidence of his faith.

A Prayer of Habakkuk the Prophet ‖ vpon Sigionoth.

‖ Or according to variable songs or sumes called in Hebrew Shigionoth.

2 O LORD, I haue heard † thy speech, and was afraid: O LORD, reuiue thy worke in the midst of the yeres, in the midst of the yeres make knowne: in wrath remember mercy.

† Heb. thy reporte, or the hearing.

3 God came from ‖ Teman, and the holy One

‖ Or, preserue alme. ‖ Or, the South.

from mount Paran Selah. His glory couered the heauens, and the earth is full of his prayse.

4 And ‖ his brightnesse was as the light, he had ‖ homes ‖ comming out of his hand, and there was the hiding of his power.

‖ Or, beames. ‖ Or, comming out of his sides. ‖ Or, hornes.

5 Before him went the pestilence, and ‖ burning coales went forth at his feete.

‖ Or, fire.

6 He stood and measured the earth: he ‖ viewed, and drouue asunder the nations, and the ✝ euerlasting mountaines were scattered, the † perpetuall hilles bow, his wayes are euerlasting.

‖ Or, marked. ✝ Or, ancient. † Or, ancient.

7 I saw the tents of ‖ Cushan in affliction: and the curtaines of the land of Midian did tremble.

‖ Or, Ethiopia.

8 Was the LORD displeased against the riuers? was thine anger against the riuers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride vpon thine horses and ‖ thy chariots of saluation?

‖ Or, thy chariot was saluation.

9 Thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oathes of the tribes, euen thy word. Selah. ‖ Thou didst cleaue the earth with riuers.

‖ Or, Thou didst cleaue the earth with riuers.

10 The mountaines saw thee, and they trembled: the ouerflowing of the water passed by: the deepe vttered his voyce, and lift vp his hands on high.

11 The Sunne and Moone ‖ stood still in their habitation: ‖ at the light of thine * arrowes they went, and at the shining of thy glittering speare.

‖ Or, in their habitation. ‖ Or, for light. * Or, arrowes that went.

12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation: thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.

13 Thou wentest forth for the saluation of thy people, euen for saluation with thine Anointed: thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, ✝ by discouering ‖ foundation vnto the neck. Selah.

✝ Or, by discouering. ‖ Or, euen vnto the neck.

14 Thou didst strike through with his staues the head of his villages: they † came as a whirlewinde to scatter me: their reioycing was as to deuoure the poore secretly.

† Heb. came out as a whirlewinde to scatter me.

15 Thou didst walke through the Sea with thine horses, ✝ through the ‖ heape of great waters.

✝ Or, in the sea. ‖ Or, mire.

16 When I heard, my belly trembled: my lippes quiuered at the voyce: rottennesse entred into my bones, and I trembled in my selfe, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he commeth vp vnto the people, he will inuade them with his troupes.

17 ¶ Although the figtree shall not flourish, neither *shall* fruit be in the vines, the labour of the Oliue shall † faile, and the fields shall yeelde no meate, the flocke shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no heard in the stalles.

† Heb. lie.

18 Yet I will reioyce in the LORD, I will ioy in the God of my saluation.

19 The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feete like Hindes feete, and he will make me to walke vpon mine high places. To the chiefe singer on my † stringed instruments.

† Heb. Neginoth.

¶ ZEPHANIAH.

CHAP. I.

Gods seuere iudgements against Iudah for diuers sins.

† Hebr. by taking away, I will make an end.

1 The word of the LORD, which came vnto Zephaniah the sonne of Cushi, the sonne of Gedaliah the sonne of Amariah, the sonne of Hizkiah, in the dayes of Iosiah the sonne of Amon King of Iudah.

† Heb. the face of the land.

2 I † will vtterly consume all things from off † the land, saith the LORD.

3 I will consume man and beast: I will consume the foules of the heauen and the fishes of the sea, and the ‖ stumbling blocks with the wicked, and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.

‖ Or, destruction.

4 I will also stretch out mine hand vpon Iudah, and vpon all the inhabiters of Ierusalem, and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, *and* the names of the Chemarims with the Priests.

5 And them that worship the hoste of heauen vpon the house tops, and them that worship and that sweare ✝ by the LORD, and that sweare by Malchan:

✝ Or, to the LORD.

6 And them that are turned back from the LORD, and those that haue not sought the LORD, nor enquired for him.

7 Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD is at hand:

LORD hath prepared a sacrifice: he hath † bid his guests.

8 And it shall come to passe, in the day of the LORDS sacrifice, that I will † punish the Princes, and the kings children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparell.

9 In the same day also will I punish all those that leape on the threshold, which fill their masters houses with violence and deceit.

10 And it shall come to passe in that day, saith the LORD, *that there shall be* the noyse of a cry from the fish gate, and an howling from the second, and a great crashing from the hilles.

11 Howle ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are cut downe: all they that beare siluer are cut off.

12 And it shall come to passe at that time, *that* I will search Ierusalem with candles, and punish the men that are † settled on their lees, that say in their heart, the LORD will not doe good, neither will he doe euill.

13 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they shall also build houses, but † not inhabite *them*, and they shall plant vineyards, but not drinke the wine thereof.

14 The great day of the LORD *is* neere, it *is* neere and hasteth greatly, *euen* the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

15 That day *is* a day of * wrath, a day of trouble and distresse, a day of wastenesse and desolation, a day of darknesse and gloominesse, a day of clouds and thicke darknesse,

16 A day of the trumpet, and alarme against the fenced cities, and against the high towres.

17 And I will bring distresse vpon men, that they shall walke like blinde men, because they haue sinned against the LORD, and their blood shall be powred out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

18 * Neither their siluer nor their gold shall be able to deliuer them in the day of the LORDS wrath, but the whole land shall be * deuoured by the fire of his iealousie: for he shall make euen a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

CHAP. II.

An exhortation to repentance. 4 *The iudgement of the Philistines.* 8 *Of Moab and Ammon.* 12 *Of Ethiopia and Assyria.*

1 Gather your selues together, yea, gather together, O nation not desired.

2 Before the decree bring forth, *before* the day passe as the chaffe, before the fierce anger of the LORD come vpon you, before the day of the LORDS anger come vpon you.

3 Seeke ye the LORD, all ye meeke of the earth, which haue wrought his iudgement, seeke righteousnesse, seeke meekenesse: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the † LORDS anger.

4 ¶ For Gaza shall be *forsaken*, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall driue out Ashdod at the noone day, and Ekron shall be rooted out.

5 Woe vnto the inhabitants of the sea coast! the nation of the Cherethites, the word of the LORD is against you: O Canaan, the land of the Philistims, I will euen destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.

6 And the sea coast shall be dwellings, *and* cottages for shepherds, and folds for flockes.

7 And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Iudah, they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie downe in the euening: for the LORD their God shall visite them, and turne away their captiuity.

8 ¶ I haue heard the reproach of Moab, and the reuilings of the children of Ammon, whereby they haue reproached my people, and magnified *themselues* against their border.

9 Therefore as I liue, saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, *euen* the breeding of nettles, & † pits, and a perpetuall desolation: the residue of my people shall spoile them, and the remnant of my people shall possesse them.

10 This shall they haue for their pride, because they haue reproached and magnified *themselues* against the people of the LORD of hosts.

11 The LORD *will be* terrible vnto them: for he will † famish all the gods of the earth, and men shall worship him, euery one from his place, *euen* all the ylands of the heathen.

12 ¶ Ye Ethiopians also, ye shall be slaine by my sword.

13 And he will stretch out his hand against the North, and destroy Assyria, and will make Nineuch a desolation *and* dry like a wildernesse.

14 And flocks shall lie downe in the midst of her, all the beasts of the nations: both the Cormorant and the Bittern shall lodge in the vpper lintels of it: their voice shall sing in the windowes, desolation *shall be* in the thresholds: for he shall vncouer the Cedar worke.

15 This is the ioyfull citie that dwelt carelessly, that said in her heart, * I *am*, and there is none beside me: how is she become a desolation, a place for beasts to lie downe in? euery one that passeth by her, shall hisse, and wag his hand.

CHAP. III.

1 *Ahia reproueth Ierusalems sinnes.* 8 *An exhortation to waite for the reformation of Israel.* 14 *And to reioyce for their continuall Good.*

1 Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing citie.

2 She obeyed not the voice: she receiued not correction: she trusted not in the LORD: she drew not neere to her God.

3 Her Princes within her are roaring * lyons: her iudges are euening wolues; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

4 Her * Prophets are light and treacherous persons: her Priests haue polluted the Sanctuary, they haue done * violence to the Law.

5 The iust LORD is in the midst thereof: he will not doe iniquity: † euery morning doth he bring his iudgement to light, he faileth not: but the vniust knoweth no shame.

6 I haue cut off the nations: their † towres are desolate: I made their streets waste, that none passeth by: their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

7 I said, Surely thou wilt feare me: thou wilt receiue instruction: so their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoeuer I punished them: but they rose early, and corrupted all their doings.

8 ¶ Therefore wait ye vpon me, saith the LORD, vntill the day that I rise vp to the prey: for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdomes, to powre vpon them mine indignation, *euen* all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be deuoured with the fire of my † iealousie.

9 For then will I turne to the people a pure † language, that they may all call vpon the Name of the LORD, to serue him with one † consent.

10 From beyond the riuers of Ethiopia, my suppliants, *euen* the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.

11 In that day ſhall thou not be aſhamed for all thy doings, wherein thou haſt tranſgreſſed againſt me: for then I will take away out of the midſt of thee them †that reioyce in thy pride, and thou ſhalt no more be haughty† becauſe of mine holy mountaine.

† Hebr. in my holy.

12 I will alſo leaue in the midſt of thee an afflicted and poore people: and they ſhall truſt in the Name of the LORD.

13 The remnant of Iſrael ſhall not doe iniquitie, nor ſpeake lies: neither ſhall a deceitfull tongue be found in their mouth: for they ſhall feed and lie downe, and none ſhall make *them* afraid.

14 ¶ Sing, O * daughter of Sion: ſhout, O Iſrael: be glad and reioyce with all the heart, O daughter of Ieruſalem.

* Iſaiah 12.6. and 54.1.

15 The LORD hath taken away thy iudgements; he hath caſt out thine enemie: the King of Iſrael, *euen* the LORD *is* in the midſt of thee: thou ſhalt not ſee euill any more.

16 In that day it ſhalbe ſaid to Ieruſalem, Feare thou not: & to Sion, Let not thine hands be ſlacke.

17 The LORD thy God in the midſt of thee *is* mighty: he will ſaue, he will reioyce ouer thee with ioy: † he will reſt in his loue, he will ioy ouer thee with ſinging.

† Hebr. he will be ſilent.

18 I will gather them that are ſorowfull for the ſolemne aſſembly, who are of thee, to whom the † reproach of it *was* a burden.

19 Behold at that time I will vndoe all that afflict thee, and I will ſaue her that * halteth, and gather her that was driuen out, and † I will get them praiſe and fame in euery land, † where they haue beene put to ſhame.

* Micah. 4.6. † Hebr. I will put them for praiſe.

20 At that time will I bring you again, euen in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name, and a prayſe among all people of the earth, when I turne backe your captiuity before your eyes, ſaith the LORD.

¶ HAGGAI.

CHAP. I.

1 Haggai reproueth the people for neglecting the building of the houſe. 7 He inciteth them to the building. 12 He promiſeth Gods aſſiſtance to them going forward.

IN the ſecond yeere of Darius the King, in the ſixth moneth, in the firſt day of the moneth came the word of the LORD † by Haggai the Prophet vnto Zerubbabel the ſonne of Shealtiel, ‖ Gouernour of Iudah, and to Ioſuah the ſon of Ioſedech the high Prieſt, ſaying,

† Hebr. by the hand of Haggai. ‖ Or, captaine.

2 Thus ſpeaketh the LORD of hoſtes, ſaying, This people ſay, The time is not come, the time that the LORDS houſe ſhould be built.

3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the Prophet, ſaying,

4 *Is it* time for you, O ye, to dwell in your ſieled houſes, and this houſe lie waſte?

5 Now therefore thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes, † Conſider your waies.

† Hebr. ſet your heart on your waies.

6 Ye haue * ſowne much, and bring in little: ye eat, but ye haue not enough: ye drinke, but ye are not filled with drinke: ye clothe you, but there is none warme: and he that earneth wages, earneth wages *to put it* into a bag † with holes.

* Deut. 28.38. micah. 6. 14. 15. † Hebr. pierced. thorow. ‖ Or, blow it away.

7 ¶ Thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes, Conſider your waies.

8 Goe vp to the mountaine, and bring wood, and build the houſe, and I will take pleaſure in it, and I will be glorified ſaith the LORD.

9 Ye looked for much, and loe, *it came* to little: and when ye brought it home, I did ‖ blow vpon it: Why, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes? becauſe of mine houſe that is waſte, and ye runne euery man vnto his owne houſe.

‖ Or, blow it away.

10 Therefore the heauen ouer you is ſtayed from dew, and the earth * is ſtayed *from* her fruit.

* Deut. 28.23.

11 And I called for a drought vpon the land, and vpon the mountaines, and vpon the corne, and vpon the new wine, & vpon the oyle, & vpon that which the ground bringeth foorth, and vpon men, and vpon cattell, and vpon all the labour of the hands

12 ¶ Then Zerubbabel the ſon of Shealtiel, and Ioſuah the ſon of Ioſedech the high Prieſt, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the Prophet, (as the LORD their God had ſent him) and the people did feare before the LORD.

13 Then ſpake Haggai the LORDS meſſenger in the LORDS meſſage vnto the people, ſaying, I am with you, ſaith the LORD.

14 And the LORD ſtirred vp the ſpirit of Zerubbabel the Sonne of Shealtiel, Gouernour of Iudah, and the ſpirit of Ioſuah the ſonne of Ioſedech the high Prieſt, and the ſpirit of all the remnant of the people, and they came and did worke in the houſe of the LORD of hoſtes their God:

15 In the foure and ewentieth day of the ſixth moneth, in the ſecond yeere of Darius the King.

CHAP. II.

1 He encourageth the people to this worke by a promiſe of greater glory to the ſecond Temple, then was in the firſt. 10 Future type of holy things vncleanne, he ſheweth their ſins hindered them. 20 Gods promiſe to Zerubbabel.

IN the ſeuenth moneth, in the one and twentieth *day* of the moneth, came the word of the LORD † by the Prophet Haggai ſaying

† Hebr. by the hand of Haggai.

2 Speake now to Zerubbabel the ſonne of Shealtiel, Gouernour of Iudah, and to Ioſuah the ſonne of Ioſedech the high Prieſt, and to the reſidue of the people, ſaying,

3 Who is left among you that ſaw this houſe in her firſt glory? and how doe ye ſee it now? is it not in your eies, in comparion of it as nothing?

4 Yet now be ſtrong, O Zerubbabel, ſaith the LORD, and be ſtrong, O Ioſuah ſon of Ioſedech the high Prieſt, and be ſtrong all ye people of the land, ſaith the LORD, and worke: for I am with you, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes,

5 *According to* the word that I couenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, ſo my Spirit remaineth among you. Feare ye not.

6 For thus ſaith the LORD of hoſtes, * Yet once *it is* a little while, and I will ſhake the heauens, and the earth, and the ſea, and the dry land.

* Heb. 12.26.

7 And I will ſhake all nations, and the deſire of all nations ſhall come, and I will fill this houſe with glory, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes.

8 The ſiluer *is* mine, and the gold *is* mine, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes.

9 The glory of this latter houſe ſhalbe greater then of the former, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes: and in this place will I giue peace, ſaith the LORD of hoſtes.

10 ¶ In the foure and twentieth day of the ninth

...ueth, in the second yeere of Darius, came the ...d of the LORD by Haggai the Prophet saying, ...t Thus saith the LORD of hostes, aske now the ...riests concerning the Law, saying,

...12 If one beare holy flesh in the skirt of his gar-...ment, and with his skirt doe touch bread or pot-...age, or wine, or oyle, or any meate, shall it be holy? ...d the Priests answered, and said, No.

...13 Then said Haggai, If one that is vncleane by a ...d body, touch any of these, shall it be vncleane? ...d Priests answered, & said, It shalbe vncleane.

...14 Then answered Haggai, and said, So *is* this ...ople, and so *is* this nation before me, saith the ...RD; and so *is* euery worke of their hands, and ...t which they offer there, is vncleane.

...15 And now I pray you, consider from this day ...d vpward, from before a stone was laid vpon a ...ne, in the Temple of the LORD.

...16 Since those *dayes* were, when one came to an ...ape of twenty *measures*, there were but tenne: ...n one came to the presse-fat for to draw out fif-...ty *vessels* out of the presse, there were but twenty.

...17 I smote you *with blasting, and with mildew, ...d with haile in all the labours of your hands: yet ...e turned not to me, saith the LORD.

18 Consider now from this day, and vpward, from the foure and twentieth day of the ninth *moneth* euen from the day that the foundation of the LORDS Temple was laid, consider it.

19 *Is* the seed yet in the barne? yea, as yet the vine and the figtree, and the pomegranate, and the Oliue tree hath not brought foorth: from this day will I blesse *you*.

20 ¶ And againe, the word of the LORD came vnto Haggai, in the foure and twentieth *day* of the moneth, saying,

21 Speake to Zerubbabel the Gouernour of Iudah, saying, I will shake the heauens and the earth.

22 And I will ouerthrow the throne of Kingdomes, and I will destroy the strength of the Kingdomes of the heathen, and I will ouerthrow the charets, and those that ride in them, and the horses and their riders shall come downe, euery one by the sword of his brother.

23 In that day saith the LORD of hostes, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel my seruant, the sonne of Shealtiel saith the LORD, and will make thee as a signet: for I haue chosen thee, saith the LORD of hostes.

¶ ZECHARIAH.

CHAP. I.

Zechariah exhorteth to repentance. 7 *The vision of the hirses.* 12 *At the prayers of the Angel, comfortable promises are made to Ierusalem.* 18 *The vision of the foure hornes, and the foure Carpenters.*

1 IN the eight moneth, In the second yeere of Darius came the word of the LORD vnto Zechariah the sonne of Barachiah, the sonne of Iddo the Prophet, saying,

2 The LORD hath beene sore displeased with your fathers.

3 Therefore say thou vnto them, Thus saith the LORD of hostes; * Turne ye vnto me, saith the LORD of hostes, and I will turne vnto you, saith the LORD of hostes.

4 *Be ye not as your fathers, vnto whom the former Prophets haue cried, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hostes, Turne ye now from your euill wayes, and from your euill doings: but they did not heare, nor hearken vnto me, saith the LORD.

5 Your fathers, where *are* they? and the Prophets, doe they liue for euer?

6 But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my seruants the Prophets, did they not take hold of your fathers? and they returned and said, * Like as the LORD of hostes thought to doe vnto vs, according to our wayes, and according to our doings, so hath he dealt with vs.

7 ¶ Vpon the foure and twentieth day of the eleuenth moneth, which is the moneth Sebat, in the second yeere of Darius, came the word of the LORD vnto Zechariah, the sonne of Barachiah, the sonne of Iddo the Prophet, saying,

8 I saw by night, and behold, a man riding vpon a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that were in the bottome, and behind him *were* there red horses, speckled and white.

9 Then said I, O my Lord, what *are* these? And the Angel that talked with mee, said vnto mee, I will shew thee what these be.

10 And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, These *are* they whom the LORD hath sent to walke to and fro through the earth.

11 And they answered the Angel of the LORD, that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, We haue walked to and fro through the earth: and behold all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.

12 ¶ Then the Angel of the LORD answered, and said, O LORD of hostes, how long wilt thou not haue mercy on Ierusalem, and on the cities of Iudah, against which thou hast had indignation these threescore and ten yeeres?

13 And the LORD answered the Angel that talked with me, with good words, *and* comfortable words.

14 So the Angel that communed with mee, said vnto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hostes, I am * iealous for Ierusalem, and for Zion with a great iealousie. * Chap. 8.2.

15 And I am very sore displeased with the heathen that are at ease: for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.

16 Therefore thus saith the LORD, I am returned to Ierusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hostes, and a line shall be stretched forth vpon Ierusalem.

17 Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hostes, My cities through † prosperity shall yet be spread abroad, and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet chuse Ierusalem. † Heb. good.

18 ¶ Then lift I vp mine eyes, and saw, and behold, foure hornes.

19 And I said vnto the Angel that talked with me, What *be* these? And he answered mee, These *are* the hornes which haue scattered Iudah, Israel, and Ierusalem.

20 And the LORD shewed me foure Carpenters.

21 Then said I, What come these to doe? And he spake saying, These *are* the hornes which haue scattered Iudah, so that no man did lift vp his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the hornes of the Gentiles which lift vp their horne ouer the land of Iudah to scatter it.

CHAP. II.

1 *God is the care of Jerusalem, sendeth to measure it.* 6 *The redemption of Zion.* 10 *The promise of Gods presence.*

I Lift up mine eyes againe, and looked, and behold a man with a measuring line in his hand.

2 Then said I, Whither goest thou? And he said vnto me, To measure Ierusalem, to see what is the breadth thereof, and what is the length thereof.

3 And behold, the Angel that talked with me, went forth, and another Angel went out to meete him,

4 And said vnto him, Runne, speake to this yong man, saying, Ierusalem shall be inhabited as townes without walls, for the multitude of men and cattell therein.

5 For I, saith the LORD will be vnto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.

6 ¶ Ho, ho, come forth, and flee from the land of the North, saith the LORD: for I haue spread you abroad as the foure windes of the heauen, saith the LORD.

7 Deliuer thy selfe, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon.

8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, After the glory hath he sent me vnto the nations which spoiled you: for he that * toucheth you, toucheth the apple of his eye.

9 For behold I will shake mine hand vpon them, and they shall be a spoile to their seruants: and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.

10 ¶ * Sing and reioyce, O daughter of Zion: for loe, I come, and I * will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.

11 And many nations shall be ioyned vnto the LORD in that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, & thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me vnto thee.

12 And the LORD shall inherite Iudah his portion in the holy land, and shall chuse Ierusalem againe.

13 Be silent O all flesh before the LORD: for he is raised vp out of † his holy habitation.

CHAP. III.

1 *He reproueth the sinne of Ioshua: the reparation of the Church.* 8 *Christ the branch is promised.*

AND he shewed me Ioshua the high Priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and ‖ Satan standing at his right hand † to resist him.

2 And the LORD said vnto Satan; * The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan, euen the LORD that hath chosen Ierusalem, rebuke thee. Is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

3 Now Ioshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the Angel.

4 And hee answered, and spake vnto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And vnto him he said, Behold I haue caused thine iniquity to passe from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

5 And I said, Let them set a faire Mitre vpon his head. So they set a faire Mitre vpon his head, and clothed him with garments, and the Angel of the LORD stood by.

6 And the Angel of the LORD protested vnto Ioshua, saying,

7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, if thou wilt walke in my wayes, and if thou wilt keepe my ‖ charge, then thou shalt also iudge my house, and shalt also keepe my courts, and I will giue thee † places to walke among these that stand by.

8 Heare now, O Ioshua the high Priest, thou and thy fellowes that sit before thee: for they are men wondred at: for behold, I will bring forth my seruant the * BRANCH.

9 For behold, the stone that I haue laid before Ioshua: vpon one stone shall be seuen eyes: behold I will engraue the grauing thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remooue the iniquity of that land in one day.

10 In that day saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call euery man his neighbour vnder the vine and vnder the figtree.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *By the golden Candlestick is foreshewed the good successe of Zerubbabel: foure horses.* 6 *Spirituall gifts.* 10 *The small beginning of Gods worke.* 11 *The two olive trees, the two anointed.*

AND the Angel that talked with me, came againe and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleepe.

2 And said vnto me, What seest thou? And I said, I haue looked, and behold, a Candlestick all of gold, † with a bowle vpon the top of it, and his seuen lampes thereon, and seuen pipes to the seuen lampes which were vpon the top thereof.

3 And two Oliue trees by it, one vpon the right side of the bowle, and the other vpon the left side thereof.

4 So I answered and spake to the Angel that talked with me saying, What are these my Lord?

5 Then the Angel that talked with me answered, and said vnto me, Knowest thou not what these be? and I said, No my Lord.

6 Then he answered and spake vnto me saying, This is the word of the LORD vnto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by ‖ might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

7 Who art thou, O great mountaine before Zerubbabel? thou shalt become a plaine: and he shall bring forth the head stone thereof with shoutings of, Grace, grace vnto it.

8 Moreouer the word of the LORD came vnto me, saying,

9 The hands of Zerubbabel haue laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it: and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me vnto you.

10 For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall reioyce, and shall see the † plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seuen: * they are the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

11 ¶ Then answered I, and said vnto him, What are these two oliue trees vpon the right side of the Candlestick, and vpon the left side thereof?

12 And I answered againe, and said vnto him, What be these two oliue branches which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oyle out of themselues?

13 And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these be? and I said, No my Lord.

14 Then said he, These are the two anointed ones that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

CHAP. V.

1 *By the flying roule is signified the curse of sinne and swearers.* 5 *The wicked in Ephah.* 9 *The small remainder of Babylon.*

THen I turned, and lifted vp mine eyes, and looked, and behold a flying roule.

2 And he said vnto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roule: the length thereof is twenty cubites, and the breadth thereof ten cubites.

3 Then

‖ That is, an aduersary.
† Heb. to be his aduersary.
* Iude 9.
‖ Or, ordinance.
† Heb. walkes,
‖ Or power.
† Heb. places.

arers.

Then said he vnto mee, This *is* the curse that
th foorth ouer the face of the whole earth: for
ery one that stealeth shall be cut off as on this
according to it; and euery one that sweareth
ll be cut off as on that side, according to it.
4 I will bring it forth (saith the LORD of hosts,
d it shall enter into the house of the theefe, and
o the house of him that sweareth falsly by my
me: and it shall remaine in the midst of his
use, and shall consume it, with the timber there-
and the stones thereof.
5 ¶ Then the Angel that talked with me, went
th and said vnto mee, Lift vp now thine eyes
see what is this that goeth foorth.
6 And I said, What is it? And he said, This is
Ephah that goeth foorth. He said moreouer,
s is their resemblance through all the earth.
7 And behold, there was lift vp a ‖ talent of
d: and this is a woman that sitteth in the midst
the Ephah.
8 And he said, This is wickednesse, and hee cast
into the midst of the Ephah: and hee cast the
ght of lead vpon the mouth thereof.
9 Then lift I vp mine eyes and looked, and be-
d, there came out two women, and the winde
s in their wings (for they had wings like the
ngs of a Storke) and they lift vp the Ephah be-
tween the earth and the heauen.
10 Then said I to the Angel that talked with
e, Whither doe these beare the Ephah?
11 And he said vnto me, To build it an house in
e land of Shinar: and it shall be set there, and
ed there vpon her owne base.

CHAP. VI.

*The vision of the foure chariots. 9 The ex-
ecution of Iosuah, is shewed the Temple and king-
dome of Christ the Branch.*

1 And I turned, and lift vp mine eyes and loo-
ked, and behold, there came foure chariots out
from between two mountaines, and the moun-
taines were mountaines of brasse.
2 In the first charet were red horses, and in the
second charet blacke horses.
3 And in the third charet white horses, and in
the fourth charet grizled and ‖ bay horses.
4 Then I answered and said vnto the Angel that
talked with me, What are these my LORD?
5 And the Angel answered, and said vnto mee
These are the foure ‖ spirits of the heauens, which
go forth from standing before the Lord of all the
earth.
6 The blacke horses which are therein goe forth
into the North countrey, and the white goe forth
after them, and the grizled goe forth toward the
south countrey.
7 And the bay went forth, and sought to go,
that they might walke to & fro thorough the earth:
and he said, Get ye hence, walke to and fro thorow
the earth: so they walked to and fro thorow the
earth.
8 Then cryed he vpon me, and spake vnto me, say-
ing, Behold, these that goe toward the North coun-
trey haue quieted my spirit in the North countrey.
9 ¶ And the word of the LORD came vnto mee,
saying,
10 Take of *them of* the captiuity, *euen* of Hel-
dai, of Tobiiah, and of Iedaiah, which are come
from Babylon, and come thou the same day, and goe
into the house of Iosiah the sonne of Zephaniah.
11 Then take siluer and gold, and make crownes
and set *them* vpon the head of Iehsua the sonne of
Iehdzak the high Priest,
12 And speake vnto him, saying, Thus speaketh
the LORD of hostes, saying, Behold the man whose
Name is the * BRANCH, and hee shall ‖ grow
vp out of his place, and hee shall build the Temple
of the LORD:
13 Euen he shall build the Temple of the LORD,
and he shall beare the glory, and shall sit and rule
vpon his Throne, and he shall be a Priest vpon his
Throne, and the counsell of peace shalbe betweene
them both.
14 And the crownes shall be to Helem, and to
Tobijah, and to Iedaiah, and to Hen the sonne of
Zephaniah, for a memoriall, in the Temple of the
LORD.
15 And they that are far off shall come and build
in the Temple of the LORD, and yee shall know
that the LORD of hostes hath sent mee vnto you,
and this shall come to passe if ye will diligently
obey the voyce of the LORD your God.

CHAP. VII.

*1 The captiues enquire of fasting. 4 Zachariah
reproueth their fasting. 8 Sinne the cause of their
captiuity.*

1 AND it came to passe in the fourth yeere of
King Darius, that the word of the LORD
came vnto Zechariah, in the fourth day of the
ninth moneth, *euen* in Chisleu.
2 When they had sent vnto the house of God,
Sherezer, and Regem-melech, and their men ‖ to
pray before the LORD,
3 And to speake vnto the Priests which were in
the house of the LORD of hosts, & to the Prophets,
saying, Should I weep in the fifth moneth, separating
my selfe, as I haue done these so many yeeres?
4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD of hostes
vnto me, saying,
5 Speake vnto all the people of the land, and to
the Priests, saying, When ye * fasted and mourned
in the fift and seuenth moneth, *euen* those seuenty
yeeres; did ye at all fast vnto me, *euen* to me?
6 And when ye did eate, and when ye did
drinke, did not ye eat for your selues, and drinke
for your selues?
7 ‖ *Should* yee not *heare* the words which the
LORD hath cryed ‖ by the former Prophets, when
Ierusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the
cities thereof round about her, when men inhabi-
ted the South of the ‖ plaine?
8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came vnto Ze-
chariah, saying,
9 Thus speaketh the LORD of hostes, saying,
‖ Execute true iudgement, and shew mercy and
compassions euery man to his brother.
10 And ‖ oppresse not the * widdow, nor the father-
lesse, the stranger, nor the poore: and let none of you
imagine euill against his brother in your heart.
11 But they refused to hearken, and ‖ pulled
away the shoulder, and ‖ stopped their eares, that
they should not heare.
12 Yea, they made their hearts as an Adamant
stone, lest they should heare the Law, and the words
which the LORD of hostes hath sent in his Spirit
‖ by the former Prophets: therefore came a great
wrath from the LORD of hostes.
13 Therefore it is come to passe, *that as* hee cry-
ed, and they would not heare, so * they cryed, and
I would not heare, saith the LORD of hostes.
14 But I scattered them with a whirlwinde
among all the nations whom they knew not: thus
the land was desolate after them, that no man pas-
sed thorow, nor returned, for they laid the ‖ plea-
sant land desolate.

CHAP.

* Chap. 3.8. *Or, branch vnder him.*

‖ Heb. to intreate the face of the Lord.

* Ioe. 58.5 *Speake not these words. Heb. say vnto all the people of the land. Heb. to the Priests. Heb. Iudgement of truth.* * Exod. 22.21. Deut. 24.17. Iere. 7.6. ‖ Heb. they haue a shoulder. ‖ Heb. make heauie. ‖ Heb. by the hand of. * Prou. 21. 28. Iere. 11. 11. ‖ Heb. out of sight.

CHAP. VIII.

1 The restauration of Ierusalem. 9 They are encouraged to the building, by Gods favour to them. 16 Good workes are required of them. 18 Ioy and inlargement are promised.

AGaine the word of the LORD of hostes came
to me, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, I was iealous
* Chap. 1.14. for Zion with great iealousie: and I was * iealous
for her with great fury.

3 Thus saith the LORD, I am returned vnto
Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Ierusalem,
and Ierusalem shall be called, A city of truth, and
the mountaine of the LORD of hostes, The holy
mountaine.

4 Thus saith the LORD of hostes: there shall
† Hebr. for multitude of dayes. yet old men and old women dwell in the streets
of Ierusalem, and euery man with his staff in his
hand † for very age.

5 And the streets of the city shall be full of
boyes and girles playing in the streets thereof.

6 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, If it be mar-
‖ Or, hard, or difficult. † Hebr. the remnant of the people. uellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people
in these dayes, should it also be ‖ marvailous in
my eyes, saith the LORD of hostes?

7 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, Behold, I will
saue my people from the East country, and from
the † West country.

8 And I will bring them, and they shall dwell
in the midst of Ierusalem, and they shall be my
people, and I will be their God, in truth and in
righteousnesse.

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hostes, Let your
hands be strong, ye that heare in these dayes these
words by the mouth of the Prophets, which were
in the day that the foundation of the house of the
LORD of hostes was laid, that the Temple might
be built.

‖ Or, the hire of man became nothing, &c. * Hag. 1.6 10 For before these dayes there was no ‖ * hire
for man, nor any hire for beast, neither was there
any peace to him that went out, or came in, because
of the affliction: for I set all men, every one against
his neighbour.

† Hebr. of peace. 11 But now I will not *be* vnto the residue of this
people as in the former dayes, saith the LORD of
hostes.

12 For the seed *shall be* † prosperous: the Vine
shall giue her fruit, and the ground shall giue her
increase, and the heauens shall giue their dew, and
I will cause the remnant of this people, to possesse
all these things.

13 And it shall come to passe, *that as* ye were a
curse among the heathen, O house of Iudah & house
of Israel, so will I saue you, and ye shall be a bles-
sing: feare not, *but* let your hands be strong.

14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, As I thought
to punish you, when your fathers prouoked me to
wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, & I repented not:

15 So again haue I thought in these dayes to doe
well vnto Ierusalem, and to the house of Iudah:
feare ye not.

* Ephes. 4.25. † Hebr. iudge truth, and the iudgement of peace. 16 These *are* the things that yee shall doe:
* speake ye euery man the truth to his neighbour:
† execute the iudgment of truth and peace in
your gates.

17 And let none of you imagine euill in your
hearts against his neighbour, and loue no false oath:
for all these *are* things that I hate, saith the LORD.

18 ¶ And the word of the LORD of hostes came
vnto me, saying,

19 Thus saith the LORD of hosts: the fast of the
fourth *moneth*, and the fast of the fifth, and the fast
of the seuenth, and the fast of the tenth shall be to
the house of Iudah ioy and gladnesse, and cheer-
full † feasts: therefore loue the truth and peace.

20 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, It shall yet
come to passe, that there shall come people, and the
inhabitants of many cities.

21 And the inhabitants of one city shall go to
another saying, * Let vs goe ‖ speedily to pray be-
fore the LORD, and to seeke the LORD of hostes:
will goe also.

22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall
come to seeke the LORD of hostes in Ierusalem, and
to pray before the LORD.

23 Thus saith the LORD of hostes, In those dayes
it shall come to passe that ten men shall take hold
out of all languages of the nations, euen shall take
hold of the skirt of him that is a Iew, saying, We
will goe with you: for we haue heard that God is
with you.

CHAP. IX.

1 God defendeth his Church. 9 Zion is exhorted to reioyce for the comming of Christ, who is promised long since. 13 Gods promises of victory and safety.

THE burden of the word of the LORD in the
land of Hadrach, and Damascus *shall be* the
rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as all the
tribes of Israel *shall be* toward the LORD.

2 And Hamath also shall border thereby: Tyrus
and Zidon, though it be very * wise.

3 And Tyrus did build her selfe a strong hold,
and heaped vp siluer as the dust, and the gold of the
myre of the streetes.

4 Behold, the Lord will cast her out, and he
will smite her power in the Sea, and she shall be de-
youred with fire.

5 Ashkelon shall see *it*, and feare, Gaza also shall
see it, and be very sorrowfull, and Ekron: for her
expectation shall be ashamed and the king shall pe-
rish from Gaza, & Ashkelon shall not be inhabited.

6 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I
will cut off the pride of the Philistims.

7 And I will take away his ‖ bloud out of his
mouth, and his abominations from betweene his
teeth: but he that remaineth, euen he shall be for
our God, and he shall be as a gouernour in Iudah,
and Ekron as a Iebusite.

8 And I will encampe about mine house, because
of the army, because of him that passeth by and by
cause of him that returneth: and no oppressour
shall passe thorow them any more: for now haue I
seene with mine eyes.

9 ¶ Reioyce greatly, O daughter of Zion: shout,
O daughter of Ierusalem: Behold thy King com-
meth vnto thee: he *is* iust, and ‖ a saviour: *he is*
lowly, and riding vpon an asse, and vpon a colt
the foale of an asse.

10 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim,
and the horse from Ierusalem, and the battell bow
shall be cut off, and he shall speake peace vnto the
heathen, and his dominion *shall be* from sea to
sea, & from the riuer vnto the ends of the earth.

11 As for thee also, *by* the blood of thy cove-
nant, I haue sent forth thy prisoners out of the
pit, wherein is no water.

12 ¶ Turne you to the strong hold, ye prisoners
of hope, euen to day do I declare *that* I will ren-
der double vnto thee.

13 When I haue bent Iudah for me, filled the bow
with Ephraim, and raised vp thy sonnes, O Zion,
against thy sonnes, O Greece, and made thee as the
sword of a mighty man.

14 And the LORD shall be seene ouer them, and

Exod. 18. 21. Deut. 1. 13. & 16. 18. 19. 20.

rowne shall goe foorth as the lightening: and Lord God shall blow the trumpet, and shall with whirlewinds of the South.

The LORD of hostes shall defend them, and shall deuoure, and ‖ subdue with sling stones; they shall drinke and make a noise, as through e, and they ‖ shall be filled like bowles, and as corners of the Altar.

And the LORD their God shall saue them in y day, as the flocke of his people, for they shall the stones of a crowne lifted vp as an ensigne n his land.

For how great is his goodnesse, and how at is his beauty? corne shall make the young ‖ cheerefull, and new wine the maids.

CHAP. X.

Gods to be sought vnto, and not idoles. 5 *As he visited his flocke for sinne, so he will saue and loue them.*

Skeye of the LORD raine in the time of the l latter raine, so the LORD shall make ‖ bright uds, and giue them showres of raine, to euery e grasse in the field.

For the * † idoles haue spoken vanity, and the iners haue seene a lie, and haue told false reames: they comfort in vaine: therefore they et their way as a flocke, they ‖ were troubled cause there was no shepherd.

Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, d I † punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flocke the house of Iudah, and hath ade them as his goodly horse in the battell.

Out of him came forth the corner, out of him e naile, out of him the battell bow, out of him ery oppressour together.

¶ And they shalbe as mighty men, which tread n their enemies in the mire of the streets in the ttell, & they shall fight because the LORD is with m, and the riders on horses shalbe confounded.

And I will strengthen the house of Iudah, and ill saue the house of Ioseph, and I will bring m againe to place them, for I haue mercy vpon m: and they shall be as though I had not cast m off: for I am the LORD their God, and will r them.

And they of Ephraim shall be like a mighty n and their heart shall reioyce as through wine: , their children shall see it, and be glad, their art shall reioyce in the LORD.

I will hisse for them, and gather them, for I e redeemed them: and they shall increase as y haue increased.

And I will sow them among the people, and y shall remember me in far countreys, and they all liue with their children, and turne againe.

I will bring them againe also out of the land Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria, and I ll bring them into the land of Gilead and Le- non, and place shall not be found for them.

And he shall passe thorow the Sea, with af- ction, and shall smite the waues in the Sea, and all deepes of the riuers shall dry vp: and the pride Assyria shall be brought down, and the Sceptre Egypt shall depart away.

And I will strengthen them in the LORD, and y shall walke vp and downe in his Name, saith e LORD.

CHAP. XI.

The destruction of Ierusalem. 3 *The Elect be- cared for, the rest are reiected.* 10 *The staues Beauty and Bands broken by the reiection of Iudah.* 15 *The hyre and curse of a foolish shepherd.*

OPen thy doores, O Lebanon, that the fire ma[y] deuoure thy Cedars.

2 Howle Firre-tree, for the Cedar is fallen: because all the ‖ mighty are spoiled, howle, O ye Oakes of Bashan, for the ‖ forrest of † vintage is come downe.

3 ¶ There is a voice of the howling of the shep- herds, for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roa- ring of yong lions, for † pride of Iordan is spoiled.

4 Thus saith the LORD my God, Feed the flocke of the slaughter;

5 Whose p ssessours slay them, and hold them- selues not guilty: and they that sell them, say, Blessed be the LORD, for I am rich: and their owne shepherds pity them not.

6 For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD: but loe, I will † deliuer the men euery one into his neighbours hand, and into the hand of his King, and they shall smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliuer them.

7 And I will feed the flocke of slaughter, euen you, O ‖ poore of the flocke: and I tooke vnto me two staues; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called ‖ Bands, and I fed the flocke.

8 Three shepherds also I cut off in one moneth, and my soule † loathed them, and their soule also abhorred me.

9 Then said I, I * will not feed you: that that dieth, let it die; and that that is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let the rest eat euery one the flesh of † another.

10 ¶ And I tooke my staffe euen Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might breake my couenant which I had made with all the people.

11 And it was broken in that day: and so ‖ the poore of the flocke that waited vpon me, knew that it was the word of the LORD.

12 And I said vnto them, † If yee thinke good giue me my price: and if not, forbeare: so, they * weighed for my price, thirty pieces of siluer.

13 And the LORD said vnto me, Cast it vnto the * potter: a goodly price, that I was prized at of them. And I tooke the thirty pieces of siluer, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.

14 Then I cut asunder mine other staffe, euen ‖ Bands, that I might breake the brotherhood be- tweene Iudah and Israel.

15 ¶ And the LORD said vnto me, Take vnto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepherd.

16 For loe, I will raise vp a shepherd in the land, which shall not visit those that be ‖ cut off, neither shall seeke the yong one, nor heale that that is bro- ken, nor ‖ feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of ‖ fat, & teare their clawes in pieces.

17 * Woe to the idol shepherd, that leaueth the flocke: the sword shall be vpon his arme, and vpon his right eye: his arme shall be cleane dried vp, and his right eye shall be vtterly darkened.

CHAP. XII.

1 Ierusalem a cup of trembling to her foes. 3 *and a burdensome stone to her aduersaries.* 6 *The victorious restoring of Iudah.* 9 *The repentance of Ierusalem.*

THe burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heauens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.

2 Behold, I will make Ierusalem a cup of ‖ trem- bling vnto all the people round about, ‖ when they shall be in the siege, both against Iudah, and against Ierusalem.

Iudah shall he be, which shall be in siege against Ierusalem.

3 And

‖ Or, gal- lants.
‖ Or, the defenced forrest.
‖ Or, ra- ther the poore.
‖ Or, cinders.
† Heb. was alienated
* Ier. 15. 2
† Heb. of his fellow or neigh- bour.
‖ Or, the poore of the flock, & ere- tainely knew.
† Heb if it be good in your eyes,
* Matth. 26. 15.
* Matth. 27. 9.
‖ Or, cinders.
‖ Or, hidden.
‖ Or, heare
* Ier. 23. 1 eze. 34. 2. ioh. 10. 12
‖ Or, stumbler, or poyson.
‖ Or, & al- so against

3 ¶ And in that day will I make Ierusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselues with it, shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

4 In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider with madnesse, and I will open mine eies vpon the house of Iudah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindnesse.

5 And the gouernours of Iudah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Ierusalem *shall be* my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.

6 ¶ In that day will I make the gouernours of Iudah like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheafe; and they shall deuoure all the people round about, on the right hand, and on the left: and Ierusalem shall be inhabited againe in her owne place, *euen* Ierusalem.

7 The LORD also shall saue the tents of Iudah first, that the glory of the house of Dauid, and the glory of the inhabitants of Ierusalem doe not magnifie *themselues* against Iudah.

8 In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and he that is † feeble among them at that day, shall be as Dauid; and the house of Dauid *shall be* as God, and the Angel of the LORD before them.

9 ¶ And it shall come to passe in that day, *that* I will seeke to destroy all the nations that come against Ierusalem.

10 And I will powre vpon the house of Dauid, and vpon the inhabitants of Ierusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall * looke vpon me whom they haue pierced, and they shall mourne for him, as one mourneth for *his* only *son*, and shall be in bitternesse for him, as one that is in bitternesse for his first borne.

11 In that day shall there be a great mourning in Ierusalem, as the * mourning of * Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.

12 And the land shall mourne, † euery family apart; the family of the house of Dauid apart, and their wiues apart: the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wiues apart;

13 The family of the house of Leui apart, and their wiues apart; the family of Shimei apart, and their wiues apart:

14 All the families that remaine, euery family apart, and their wiues apart.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *The fountaine of mourning for Ierusalem,* 2 *from idolatry and false prophecie.* 7 *The death of Christ, and the rest of a third part.*

IN that day there shall be a fountaine opened to the house of Dauid, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem for sinne, and for † vncleanesse.

2 ¶ And it shall come to passe in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will * cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembred: and also I will cause the Prophets and the vncleane spirit to passe out of the land.

3 And it shall come to passe, that when any shall yet prophesie, then his father and his mother that begat him, shall say vnto him, Thou shalt not liue: for thou speakest lies in the Name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him, shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.

4 And it shall come to passe in that day, that the Prophets shall be ashamed euery one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they weare a † rough garment † to deceiue:

5 But he shall say, I *am* no Prophet, I *am* an husband-man: † for man taught me to keep cattell from my youth.

6 And one shall say vnto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

7 ¶ Awake, O sword, against my Shepherd, and against the man *that is* my Fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: * smite the Shepherd, and the sheepe shall be scattered, and I will turne mine hand vpon the little ones.

8 And it shall come to passe, that all the land saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off *and* die; but the third shall be left therein.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, & will † refine them as siluer is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my Name, and I will heare them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 *The destruction of Ierusalem by the Romanes.* 4 *The comming of Christ, and the ouerthrow of his enemies.* 12 *The plague of Ierusalems enemies.* 16 *The remnant shall turne to the Lord.* 21 *And euery thing shall be holy.*

BEhold, the day of the LORD commeth, and thy spoile shall be diuided in the midst of thee.

2 For I will gather all nations against Ierusalem to battell, and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women rauished; and half of the city shall go forth into captiuity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

3 Then shall the LORD goe forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battell.

4 ¶ And his feet shall stand in that day vpon the mount of Oliues, which *is* before Ierusalem on the East, and the mount of Oliues shall cleaue in the middest thereof, toward the East and toward the West, *and there shall be a very great valley*, and halfe of the mount shall remoue toward the North, and halfe of it toward the South.

5 And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountaines: † for the valley of the mountaines shall reach vnto Azal: yea, ye shall flee like as ye fled from before the * earthquake, in the dayes of Vzziah King of Iudah: and the LORD my God shall come, *and* all the Saints with thee.

6 And it shall come to passe in that day, that the light shall not be † cleare, nor † darke.

7 But it shall be * one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day nor night: but it shall come to passe, that at * euening time there shall be light.

8 And it shall be in that day, that liuing waters shall go out from Ierusalem; halfe of them toward the † former sea, and halfe of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

9 And the LORD shall be King ouer all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his Name one.

10 All the land shall be turned as a plaine from Geba to Rimmon South of Ierusalem: and it shall be lifted vp, and set in her place, from Beniamins gate vnto the place of the first gate, vnto the corner gate, and from the Tower of Hananeel vnto the Kings wine-presses.

11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more vtter destruction: but Ierusalem shall be safely inhabited.

12 ¶ And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that haue fought against Ierusalem: their flesh shall consume away

† Or, *shall be my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.*

† Or, *abiect. Heb. falleth.*

* Ioh. 19. 34, 37. Reuel. 1. 7.

* Acts 2. 37. * 2. Chro. 35. 22.

† Heb. *families, families.*

† Heb. *separation for vncleanesse.* * Ezek. 30. 13.

† Heb. a *garment of haire.* † Heb. *to lie.*

…le they stand vpon their feet, and their eyes …l consume away in their holes, and their tongue …l consume away in their mouth.

…And it shall come to passe in that day, that a …at tumult from the LORD shall be among them, …ey shall lay hold euery one on the hand of …neighbour, and his hand shall rise vp against …hand of his neighbour.

…And † Iudah also shall fight at Ierusalem, and …wealth of all the heathen round about shall be …thered together, gold and siluer, and apparrell …great abundance.

…And so shall be the plague of the Horse, of the …le, of the Camell, and of the Asse, and of all the …sts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.

…¶ And it shall come to passe, that euery one …t is left of all the nations which came against …rusalem, shall euen goe vp from yeere to yeere to …rship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keepe …e feast of Tabernacles.

17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come vp of *all* the families of the earth vnto Ierusalem, to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, euen vpon them shall be no raine.

18 And if the family of Egypt goe not vp, and come not, that † haue no raine; there shall be the plague wherewith † LORD will smite the heathen that come not vp to keepe the feast of Tabernacles.

19 This shall be the † punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not vp to keepe the feast of Tabernacles.

20 ¶ In that day shall there be vpon the † bels of the horses, HOLINESSE VNTO THE LORD, and the pots in the LORDS house shall be like the bowles before the Altar.

21 Yea, euery pot in Ierusalem and in Iudah shall be holinesse vnto the LORD of hosts, and all they that sacrifice shall come & take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the *Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

† Hebr. vpon whom there is no raine.

† Or, plague.

† Or, bridles.

*Isa. 35. 8 & 60. 21 Ioel 3. 17 Zech. 14. 21 & 22. 15.

¶ MALACHI.

CHAP. I.

1 *Malachi complaineth of Israels vnkindnesse, 6 of their irreligious fleshe, 12 and prophaneness.*

THE burthen of the word of the LORD to Israel by † Malachi.

2 I haue loued you, saith the LORD: yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loued vs? *was* not Esau Iacobs brother, saith the LORD? yet I * loued Iacob,

3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountaines and his heritage waste, for the dragons of the wildernesse.

4 Whereas Edom saith, We are impouerished, but we will returne and build the desolate places; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw downe; and they shall call them, The border of wickednesse, and the people against whom the LORD hath indignation for euer.

5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified † from † border of Israel.

6 ¶ A sonne honoureth *his* father, & a seruant his master. If then I *be* a father, where is mine honour? & if I *be* a master, where is my feare, saith the LORD of hosts, vnto you, O priests, that dispise my Name? And ye say, Wherein haue we dispised thy Name?

7 ¶ Ye offer polluted bread vpon mine Altar, & ye say, Wherein haue we polluted thee? In that ye say, The Table of the LORD is contemptible.

8 And if ye offer the blind † for sacrifice, is it not euill? and if ye offer the lame and sicke, is it not euill? offer it now vnto thy gouernour: will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts?

9 And now I pray you, beseech † God, that he will be gracious vnto vs: this hath been † by your meanes: will he regard your persons, saith the LORD of hosts?

10 Who is there euen among you that would shut the doores *for nought?* neither doe ye kindle *fire* on mine Altar for nought. I *haue* no pleasure in you, saith the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an * offring at your hand.

11 For from the rising of the Sunne, euen vnto the going downe of the same, my Name *shall be* great among the Gentiles, and in euery place incense *shall be* offered vnto my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name *shall bee* great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.

12 ¶ But ye haue prophaned it, in that ye say, The Table of the LORD is polluted, and the fruit thereof, *euen* his meate is contemptible.

13 Ye said also, Behold, what a wearinesse is it, and ye haue snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts, and ye brought that which was torne, & the lame and the sicke: thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand, saith the LORD?

14 But cursed *be* the deceiuer, † which hath in his flocke a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth vnto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I *am* a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my Name *is* dreadfull among the heathen.

† Or, where is ye might finde

† Hebr. is away

† Hebr. whose flocke is

CHAP. II.

1 *He sharply reprooueth the Priests for neglecting their couenant,* 11 *and the people for idolatry,* 14 *for adultery,* 17 *and for wearisomnesse.*

AND now, O ye Priests, this commandement *is* for you.

2 If ye will not heare, and if ye will not lay *it* to heart, to giue glory vnto my Name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will euen send * curse vpon you, and will curse your blessings: yea, I haue cursed them already, because ye do not lay *it* to heart.

3 Behold, I will † corrupt your seed, and † spread dounge vpon your faces, *euen* the dounge of your solemne feasts, and one shall take you away with it.

4 And ye shall know that I haue sent this commandement vnto you, that my Couenant might bee with Leui, saith the LORD of hosts.

5 My Couenant was with him of life and peace, and I gaue them to him, *for* the feare wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my Name.

6 The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turne many away from iniquitie.

7 For the Priests lips should keepe knowledge, and they should † seeke the law at his mouth, for he *is* the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

8 But ye are departed out of the way: ye haue caused many to † stumble at the Law: ye haue corrupted the Couenant of Leui, saith the LORD of hosts.

9 Therefore haue I also made you contemptible & base before all the people, according as ye haue not kept

* Leuit. 26. 14. deut. 28. 15.

† Or, reproune.

† Hebr. I cast.

† Or, it shall take you away with it.

† Or, fall in the Law.

‖Or, lifted vp the face against. Heb. accepted faces.

kept my wayes, but haue bin partiall in the Law.

10 *Haue we not all one Father? hath not one God created vs? Why doe wee deale trecherously euery man against his brother, by profaning the Couenant of our fathers?

11 ¶ Iudah hath dealt trecherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Ierusalem: for Iudah hath prophaned the holinesse of the LORD which ‖ hee loued, and hath married the daughter of a strange god.

*Eph.4.6

‖Or, sought to loue.

12 The LORD will cut off the man that doth this: the ‖ Master and the Scholler out of the Tabernacles of Iacob, and him that offereth an offering vnto the LORD of hostes.

‖Or, him that waketh and him that answereth

13 And this haue ye done againe, coueringthe Altar of the LORD with teares, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiueth it with good will at your hand.

14 ¶ Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath beene witnesse betweene thee and the wife of thy youth; against whom thou hast dealt trecherously; yet is she thy companion and the wife of thy couenant.

‖Or, excellency. †Hebr. a seed of God.

15 And did not he make one? yet had he the ‖ residue of the spirit: and wherefore one? That hee might seeke † a godly seed: therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deale ‖ trecherously against the wife of his youth.

‖Or, vnfaithfully. ‖Or, if he hate her put her away. † Hebr. to put away.

16 For the LORD the God of Israel saith, that ‖ he hateth † putting away: for one couereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hostes, therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deale not trecherously.

17 ¶ Yee haue wearied the LORD with your words: yet ye say, Wherein haue we wearied him? when ye say, Euery one that doth euill, is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them, or where is the God of iudgement?

CHAP. III.

1 Of the messenger, Maiesty, and grace of Christ. 7 Of the rebellion. 8 Sacrilege, 13 and infidelity of the people. 16 The promise of blessing to them that feare God.

*Matth. 11.10. mar.1.2. Luke 1.76 & 7.27.

BEhold, I * will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: & the LORD whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his Temple: euen the messenger of the Couenant, whom yee delight in: Behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hostes.

2 But who may abide the day of his comming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for hee is like a refiners fire, and like Fullers sope.

3 And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of siluer: and hee shall purifie the sonnes of Leui, and purge them as gold and siluer, that they may offer vnto the LORD an offering in righteousnesse.

4 Then shall the offerings of Iudah and Ierusalem be pleasant vnto the LORD as in the dayes of old, and as in ‖ former yeeres.

‖Or, ancient.

5 And I will come neere to you to iudgement, and I will be a swift witnesse against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that ‖ oppresse the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherlesse, and that turne aside the stranger from his right, and feare not me, saith the LORD of hostes.

‖Or, defraud.

6 For I am the LORD, I change not: therefore ye sonnes of Iacob are not consumed.

7 ¶ Euen from the dayes of your Fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and haue not kept them: * Returne vnto me, and I will returne vnto you, saith the LORD of hostes: But ye said, Wherein shall we returne?

8 ¶ Will a man rob God? yet ye haue robbed me. But ye say, Wherein haue we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for yee haue robbed me, euen this whole nation.

10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and proue me now herewith, saith the LORD of hostes, if I will not open you the * windowes of heauen, and † powre you out a blessing that there shall not be roome enough to receiue it.

11 And I will rebuke the deuourer for your sakes: and he shall not † destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hostes.

12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hostes.

13 ¶ Your words haue beene * stout against me, saith the LORD: Yet ye say, What haue we spoken so much against thee?

14 Yee haue said, It is vaine to serue God: and what profit is it that we haue kept his ordinance, and that we haue walked † mourufully before the LORD of hostes?

15 And now we call the proud happy: yea, they that worke wickednesse † are set vp, yea, they that * tempt God, are euen deliuered.

16 ¶ Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another, and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a booke of remembrance was written before him, for them that feared the LORD, and that thought vpon his Name.

17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hostes, in that day when I make vp my ‖ iewels: and I will spare them, as a man spareth his owne sonne that serueth him.

18 Then shall ye returne and discerne betweene the righteous and the wicked: betweene him that serueth God, and him that serueth him not.

CHAP. IIII.

1 Gods iudgement on the wicked, 2 and his blessing on the good. 4 He exhorteth to the study of the Law. 5 and telleth of Eliahs comming and office.

FOr behold, the day commeth that shall burne as an ouen: and all the proud, yea, and all that doe wickedly, shall be stubble: & the day that commeth shall burne them vp, saith the LORD of hostes, that it shall leaue them neither root nor branch.

2 ¶ But vnto you that feare my Name, shall the * Sunne of righteousnesse arise with healing in his wings, and yee shall goe forth and grow vp as calues of the stall.

3 And ye shall tread downe the wicked: for they shalbe ashes vnder the soles of your feet, in the day that I shall doe this, saith the LORD of hostes.

4 ¶ Remember ye the * Law of Moses my seruant, which I commanded vnto him in Horeb, for all Israel, with the Statutes and Iudgements.

5 ¶ Behold, I will send you * Eliah the Prophet, before the comming of the great and dreadfull day of the LORD.

6 And he shall turne the heare of the fathers to the children, and the heare of the children to their fathers, lest I come & smite the earth with a curse.

THE END OF THE PROPHETS.

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CHAP. I.

Iosia his charge to the Priests and Leuites. A great Passeouer is kept. 32 His death is much mourned. 34 His successours. 43 The Temple, citie and people are destroyed. 56 Thereof are caried vnto Babylon.

NOw Iosias held the * feast of the Passeouer in Hierusalem vnto his Lord, and offered the Passeouer the fourteenth day of the first moneth:

2 Hauing set the Priests according to their daily courses, being araied in long garments in the Temple of the Lord.

And he spake vnto the Leuits, the holy Ministers of Israel, that they should hallow themselues vnto the Lord, to set the holy Arke of the Lord in the house that King Solomon the sonne of Dauid did build:

And said, Ye shall no more beare the Arke vpon your shoulders: now therefore serue the Lord your God, and minister vnto his people Israel: and prepare you after your families and kindreds.

According as Dauid the King of Israel prescribed, and according to the magnificence of Solomon his sonne: and standing in the Temple, according to the seuerall dignity of the families of the Leuites, who minister in the presence of your brethren the children of Israel.

Offer the Passeouer in order, and make ready the sacrifices for your brethren, and keepe the Passeouer according to the commandement of the Lord, which was giuen vnto Moyses.

And vnto the people that was found there, Iosias gaue thirty thousand lambes and kids, and three thousand calues: these things were giuen of the kings allowance, according as he promised to the people, to the Priests and to the Leuites.

And Helkias, Zacharias, and ‖ Sielus the gouernours of the Temple, gaue to the Priests for the Passeouer two thousand and fiue hundred sheepe, and three hundred calues.

And Iechonias, and Samaias, and Nathanael his brethren, and Assabias, and Ochiel, and Ioram, captaines ouer thousands, gaue to the Leuites for Passeouer, fiue thousand sheepe, and ‖ seuen hundred calues.

And when these things were done, the Priests and Leuites, hauing the vnleauened bread, stood in their comely order according to the kinreds,

And according to the seuerall dignities of the fathers before the people, to offer to the Lord, as it is written in the bookes of Moyses:

† And thus did they in the morning. † 2. Chro. 35.12.

12 And they roasted the Passeouer with fire, as appertaineth: as for the sacrifices, they sod them in brasse pots and pans ‖ with a good sauour. And so of the Vulgate, ‖ With good heart, or willingly. 2. Chron.

13 And set them before all the people, and afterward they prepared for themselues, and for the Priests their brethren the sonnes of Aaron. 35.13.

14 For the Priests offred the fat vntill night: and the Leuites prepared for themselues, and the Priests their brethren the sonnes of Aaron.

15 The holy Singers also, the sons of Asaphwere in their order, according to the appointment of * Dauid, to wit, Asaph, Zacharias, and Ieduthun who was * of the Kings retinue. *2. Chro. 35.15. of Dauid & Asaph. * 2 Chro. 35.15. the Kings Seer.

16 Moreouer, the porters were at euery gate: it was not lawfull for any to goe from his ordinary seruice: for their brethren the Leuites prepared for them.

17 Thus were the things that belonged to the sacrifices of the Lord accomplished in that day, that they might hold the Passeouer,

18 And offer sacrifices vpon † alter of the Lord, according to the commandement of King Iosias.

19 So the children of Israel which were present, held the Passeouer at that time, and the Feast of Sweete bread seuen dayes.

20 And such a Passeouer was not kept in Israel, since the time of the Prophet Samuel.

21 Yea, all the Kings of Israel held not such a Passeouer as Iosias, and the Priests and the Leuites, and the Iewes held with all Israel that were found dwelling at Hierusalem.

22 In the eighteenth yere of the reigne of Iosias was this Passeouer kept.

23 And the workes of Iosias were vpright before his Lord, with an heart full of godlinesse.

24 As for the things that came to passe in his time; they were written in former times concerning those that sinned, and ‖ did wickedly against the Lord, aboue all people and kingdomes, and how they grieued him ‖ exceedingly, so that the words of the Lord rose vp against Israel. ‖ Or, were vngodly. ‖ Or, sensibly.

25 * Now after all these actes of Iosias, it came to passe, that Pharao the King of Egypt came to raise warre at Carchamis vpon Euphrates: and Iosias went out against him. * 2. Chro. 35.20.

26 But the King of Egypt sent to him, saying, What haue I to doe with thee, O King of Iudea?

27 I am not sent out from the Lord God against thee: for my warre is vpon Euphrates, and now the Lord is with me, yea, the Lord is with me, hasting me forward: depart from me and bee not against the Lord.

28 Howbeit Iosias did not turne backe his cha-

riot from him, but vndertooke to fight with him, not regarding the words of the Prophet Ieremy, ſpoken by the mouth of the Lord:

29 But ioyned battell with him in the plaine of Magiddo, & the Princes came againſt King Iosias.

30 Then ſaid the King vnto his ſeruants, Carry me away out of the battell, for I am very weake: and immediately his ſeruants tooke him away out of the battell.

31 Then gate he vp vpon his ſecond chariot, and being brought backe to Ieruſalem, died, and was buried in his fathers ſepulchre.

32 And in all Iury they mourned for Iosias, yea, [illegible] the Prophet Ieremie for Iosias, and the chiefe men with the women made lamentation for him vnto this day: and this was giuen out for an ordinance to be done continually in all the nation of Israel.

33 Theſe things are written in ſ booke of the ſtories of the Kings of Iudah, & euery one of the acts that Iosias did, & his glory, and his vnderſtanding in the Law of the Lord, and the things that he had done before, & the things now recited, are reported in the bookes of the Kings of Israel and Iudea.

2 King. 23.30. 2 chron. 36.1. 34 And the people tooke Ioachaz the ſonne of Iosias, and made him King in ſtead of Iosias his father, when he was twenty and three yeeres old.

35 And hee reigned in Iudea and in Hieruſalem three moneths: and then the King of Egypt depoſed him from reigning in Hieruſalem.

36 And hee ſet a taxe vpon the land of an hundred talents of ſilver, and one talent of gold.

37 The King of Egypt alſo made King Ioacim his brother King of Iudea and Hieruſalem.

38 And hee bound Ioacim and the Nobles: but Zaraces his brother he apprehended, and brought him out of Egypt.

2 Chro. 36.45. Ioahaz. Eliakim, or Ioacim. 39 Fiue and twenty yeres old was Ioacim † when he was made King in the Land of Iudea and Hieruſalem, and he did euill before the Lord.

40 Whereſore againſt him, Nabuchodonoſor the King of Babylon came vp, and bound him with a chaine of braſſe, and carried him vnto Babylon.

41 Nabuchodonoſor alſo tooke of the holy veſſels of the Lord, and carried them away, and ſet them in his owne temple at Babylon.

42 But theſe things that are recorded of him, and of his vncleanneſſe and impiety, are written in the Chronicles of the Kings.

43 And Ioacim his ſonne reigned in his ſtead: he was made King being eighteene yeeres old,

44 And reigned but three moneths & ten dayes in Hieruſalem, and did euill before the Lord.

45 So after a yeere Nabuchodonoſor ſent, and cauſed him to be brought into Babylon, with the holy veſſels of the Lord,

45 And made Zedechias King of Iudea and Hieruſalem, when hee was one and twenty yeeres old, and he reigned eleuen yeeres:

47 And hee did euill alſo in the ſight of the Lord, and cared not for the words that were ſpoken vnto him by the Prophet Ieremie, from the mouth of the Lord.

48 And after that King Nabuchodonoſor had made him to ſweare by the Name of the Lord, he forſwore himſelfe, and rebelled, and hardening his necke, and his heart, he tranſgreſſed the Lawes of the Lord God of Israel.

49 The gouernours alſo of the people, and of the Prieſts, did many things againſt the lawes & paſſed all the pollutions of all nations, & defiled ſ Temple of the Lord, which was ſanctified in Ieruſalem.

50 Neuertheleſſe, the God of their fathers ſ by his meſſengers to call them back, becauſe ſpared them and his Tabernacle alſo.

51 But they had his meſſengers in deriſion, looke when the Lord ſpake vnto them, they a ſport of his Prophets.

52 So farre forth is that he being wroth with ſ people for their great vngodlines commanded Kings of the Caldees to come vp againſt them.

53 Who ſlew their young men with the ſwo yea, euen within the compaſſe of their holy Temp and ſpared neither young man nor maide, old nor child among them, for he deliuered all into their hands.

54 And they tooke all the holy veſſels of Lord, both great and ſmall, with the veſſels of Arke of God, and the Kings treaſures, and c them away into Babylon.

55 As for the houſe of the Lord, they burn broke downe the walls of Hieruſalem, fire on her towers.

56 And as for her glorious things they ne ceaſed, till they had conſumed and brought all to nought, and the people that we not ſlain with the ſword, he carryed vnto Babylon.

57 Who became ſeruants to him and his ſ till the Perſians reigned, to fulfill the * word of the Lord, ſpoken by the mouth of Ieremie:

58 Vntill the land had enioyed her Sabbaths: whole time of her deſolation ſhall it lie paſt, the full terme of ſeuenty yeeres.

CHAP. II.

1 *Cyrus is moued by God to publiſh a Decree and giueth leaue to the Iewes to returne and build their Temple.* 11 *The Samaritans write againſt the Iewes which had beene taken from them by Artaxerxes.* 16 *Artaxerxes hindreth the Iewes to build any more.*

IN † the firſt yeere of Cyrus King of the Perſ that the word of the Lord ſpoken by ſ mouth of Ieremie, might be fulfilled, that he had promiſed ſ ſpoken and Ieremie:

2 The Lord raiſed vp the ſpirit of Cyrus King of the Perſians, and he cauſed a proclamation throughout all his kingdome, and alſo in writing:

3 Saying Thus ſaith Cyrus King of the Perſians, The Lord of Heauen the moſt high hath appointed me King of the whole world,

4 And commanded me to build him an houſe at Hieruſalem in Iury.

5 If then there be any of you that are his people, let the Lord his God be with him, and let him goe vp to Hieruſalem that is in Iudea, and build the houſe of the Lord of Iſrael: he is the Lord that is called the Moſt High.

6 Whoſoeuer then dwelleth in the places about them helpe him, let the men of his place helpe him with gold and with ſilver,

7 With horſes and with beaſts, and with other things which are ordained for the vow of the Temple of the Lord that is in Hieruſalem.

8 ¶ Then the chiefe fathers of Iuda and of the tribes of Beniamin, and the Prieſts and Leuites, and all they whom the Lord had moued in their ſpirit to goe vp and build the houſe for the Lord that is in Hieruſalem,

9 And they that dwelt round about them, helped them in all things with ſilver & gold, with † horſes and cattell, and with many other things in great number, whoſe willes were ſtirred vp.

10 King Cyrus alſo brought forth the holy veſſels which Nabuchodonoſor had taken away from Ieruſalem, and had ſet vp in his owne temple of idoles.

11 Now when Cyrus King of the Perſians had

brought them foorth, he deliuered them to Mithridates his treasurer:

12 And by him they were deliuered to † Sanabassar the gouernour of Iudea.

13 And this was the number of them, a thousand golden cups, and a thousand of siluer, † censers of siluer twenty nine, vials of gold thirty, and of siluer † two thousand foure hundred and ten, and a thousand other vessels.

14 So all the vessels of gold and of siluer, which were caried away, were † fiue thousand foure hundred threescore and nine.

15 These were brought backe by Sanabassar, together with them of the captiuity, from Babylon to Ierusalem.

16 * But in the time of Artaxerxes, King of the Persians, Belemus and Mithridates, and Tabellius, and † Rathumus, and Beeltethmus, and † Semellius, the Secretary, with others that were in commission with them, dwelling in Samaria, and other places, wrote vnto him against them that dwelt in Iudea and Ierusalem, their letters following:

17 To King Artaxerxes our lord, Thy seruants Rathumus the story writer, and Semellius the Scribe, and the rest of their counsell, and the iudges that are in Cœlosyria and Phenice.

18 Be it now knowne to the lord the King, that the Iewes that are come vp from you to vs, being come into Ierusalem (that rebellious and wicked city) doe build the market places, and repaire the walls of it, & doe lay the foundation of the Temple.

19 Now if this city, and the walls thereof be made vp againe, they will not only refuse to giue tribute; but also rebell against the Kings.

20 And forasmuch as the things pertaining to the Temple, are now in hand, wee thinke it meet not to neglect such a matter.

21 But to speake vnto our lord the King, to the intent that if it bee thy pleasure it may be sought out in the bookes of thy fathers.

22 And thou shalt find in the Chronicles what is written concerning these things, and shalt vnderstand that that city was rebellious, troubling both Kings and cities:

23 And that the Iewes were rebellious, and raised alwayes warres therein; for the which cause euen this city was made desolate.

24 Wherefore now wee doe declare vnto thee, (O lord the King) that if this city be built againe, and the walles thereof set vp anew, thou shalt from henceforth haue no passage into Cœlosyria, and Phenice.

25 Then the King wrote backe againe to Rathumus the story writer, to Beeltethmus, to Semellius the Scribe, and to the rest that were in commission, and dwellers in Samaria, and Syria, and Phenice, after this manner:

26 I haue read the Epistle which ye haue sent vnto me, therefore I commaunded to make diligent search, and it hath beene found that that city was from the beginning practising against Kings.

27 And the men therein were giuen to rebellion and warre, and that mighty Kings and fierce, were in Ierusalem, who reigned and exacted tributes in Cœlosyria and Phenice.

28 Now therefore I haue commanded to hinder those men from building the city, and heede to bee taken that there be no more done in it,

29 And that those wicked workers proceede no further to the anoyance of Kings.

30 Then King Artaxerxes, his letters being read, Rathumus and Seppellius the Scribe, and the rest that were in commission with them, removing in haste towards Ierusalem with a troop of horsemen and a multitude of people in battell aray, began to hinder the builders & the building of the Temple in Ierusalem, ceased vntill the second yeere of the reigne of Darius King of the Persians. *Or, a great number of souldiers.*

CHAP. III.

4 Three strive to excell each other in wise speeches. 9 They reherse themselues to the iudgement of the King. 18 The first declareth the strength of wine.

NOw when Darius reigned, hee made a great feast vnto all his subiects, & vnto all his household, and vnto all the Princes of Media, and Persia,

2 And to all the gouernours and captaines, and lieutenants that were vnder him, from India vnto Ethiopia, of an hundred twenty and seuen prouinces.

3 And when they had eaten and drunken, and being satisfied, were gone home, then Darius the king went into his bed chamber and slept, and soon after awaked.

4 Then three young men that were of the guard, that kept the Kings body spake one to another:

5 Let euery one of vs speake a sentence: he that shall ouercome, and whose sentence shall seeme wiser then the others, vnto him shall the King Darius giue great gifts, and great things in token of victory:

6 As to be clothed in purple, to drinke in gold, and to sleepe vpon gold, and a chariot, with bridles of gold, and an head-dearne of fine linnen, and a chaine about his necke:

7 And he shall sit next to Darius, because of his wisedome, and shall be called Darius his cousin.

8 And then euery one wrote his sentence, sealed it, and laid it vnder king Darius his pillow,

9 And said, that when the King is risen, some will giue him the writings, and of whose side the King and the three Princes of Persia shall iudge, that his Sentence is the wisest, to him shall the victory be giuen, as was appointed.

10 The first wrote: Wine is the strongest.

11 The second wrote: The King is strongest.

12 The third wrote: Women are strongest: but aboue all things, Truth beareth away the victory.

13 ¶ Now when the king was risen vp, they tooke their writings, and deliuered them vnto him, and so he read them.

14 And sending forth, he called all the Princes of Persia and Media, and the gouernours, and the captaines, & the lieutenants, & the chiefe officers,

15 And sate him downe in the † Royall seat of iudgement & the writings were read before them: *Or, consistorie.*

16 And he said, Call the young men, and they shall declare their owne Sentences: so they were called and came in.

17 And he said vnto them, Declare vnto vs your mind concerning the writings. Then began the first, who had spoken of the strength of wine:

18 And he said thus, O yee men, how exceeding strong is wine! it causeth all men to erre that drinke it:

19 It maketh the minde of the King, and of the fatherlesse child to be all one; of the bondman, and of the freeman, of the poore man, and of the rich:

20 It turneth also euery thought into iollitie and mirth, so that a man remembreth neither sorrow nor debt:

21 And it maketh euery heart rich, so that a man remembreth neither king nor gouernour, and it maketh to speake all things by talents:

22 And when they are in their cups, they forget

their lone both to friends and brethren and a little after draw out swords.

23 But when they are from the wine, they remember not what they have done.

24 O ye men, is not wine the strongest, that inforceth to doe thus? And when he had so spoken, he held his peace.

CHAP. IIII.

1 The second declareth the power of a King. 14 The third the force of women. 33 and of Trueth. 41 The third is iudged to be wisest, 47 & obtaineth letters of the King to build Ierusalem. 58 He praiseth God, and sheweth his brethren what he had done.

THen the second, that had spoken of the strength of the King, began to say,

2 O ye men, doe not men excell in strength, that beare rule ouer Sea & land, & all things in them?

3 But yet the King is more mighty: for he is lord of all these things, and hath dominion ouer them and whatsoeuer he commandeth them, they doe.

4 If he bid them make warre, the one against the other, they doe it: if he send them out against the enemies, they goe, and breake downe mountaines, walles and towres.

5 They slay, and are slaine, and transgresse not the Kings commandement: if they get the victory, they bring all to the King, as well the spoile, as all things else.

6 Likewise, for those that are no souldiers, and haue not to doe with warres, but vse husbandry; when they haue reaped again that which they had sowen, they bring it to the King, and compell one another to pay tribute vnto the King.

7 And yet he is but one man; if he command to kill, they kill; if he command to spare, they spare;

8 If hee command to smite, they smite; if hee command to make desolate, they make desolate; if he command to build, they build:

9 If he command to cut downe, they cut downe; if he command to plant, they plant.

10 So all his people, and his armies obey him; Furthermore, he lieth downe, he eateth and drinketh, and taketh his rest.

11 And these keepe (watch) round about him, neither may any one depart, and doe his owne businesse, neither disobey they him in any thing.

12 O ye men, how should not the King be mightiest, when in such sort he is obeyed? and hee held his tongue.

13 ¶ Then the third, who had spoken of women, and of the Trueth, (this was Zorobabel) began to speake.

14 O yee men, it is not the great King, nor the multitude of men, neither is it wine that † excelleth; who is it then that ruleth them, or hath the lordship ouer them, are they not women?

15 Women haue borne the King, and all the people that beare rule by sea and land.

16 Euen of them came they, and they nourished them vp that planted the vineyards; from whence the wine commeth.

17 These also make garments for men; these bring glory vnto men, and without women cannot men be.

18 Yea, and if men haue gathered together gold and silver, or any other goodly thing, doe they not loue a woman which is comely in fauour & beauty?

19 And letting all those things goe, doe they not gape, and euen with open mouth fixe their eies fast on her; and haue not all men more desire vnto her, then vnto siluer or gold, or any goodly thing whatsoeuer?

20 A man leaueth his owne father that brought him vp, and his owne country, and cleaueth vnto his wife.

21 He sticks not to spend his life with his wife, and remembreth neither father, nor mother, nor country.

22 By this also you must know that women haue dominion ouer you: doe ye not labour and toile, and giue and bring all to the woman?

23 Yea, a man taketh his sword, and goeth his way to rob and to steale, to saile vpon the sea, and vpon riuers.

24 And looketh vpon a lyon, and goeth in the darkenesse, and when he hath stollen, spoyled, and robbed, he bringeth it to his loue.

25 Wherefore a man loueth his wife better than father and mother.

26 Yea, many there bee that haue lost their wits for women, and become seruants for their sakes.

27 Many also haue perished, and erred, and sinned for women.

28 And now doe yee not beleeue me? Is not the King great in his power? doe not all regions feare to touch him?

29 Yet did I see him and Apame the Kings concubine, the daughter of the admirable Bartacus, sitting at the right hand of the King.

30 And taking the crowne from the Kings head, and setting it vpon her owne head, she also stroke the King with her left hand.

31 And yet for all this, the King gaped and gazed vpon her with open mouth, if she laughed, vpon him, he laughed also: but if she were angry displeasure at him, the King was faine to flatter, that she might be reconciled to him againe.

32 O ye men, how can it be but women should be strong, seeing they doe thus?

33 Then the King and the Princes looked one vpon another: so he began to speake of the Trueth.

34 O ye men, are not women strong? great is the earth, high is the heauen, swift is the Sunne in his course, for he compasseth the heauens round about, and fetcheth his course againe to his owne place in one day.

35 Is he not great that maketh these things? therefore great is the Truth, & stronger than all things.

36 All the earth calleth vpon the Trueth, and the heauen blesseth it; all workes shake and tremble at it, and with it is no vnrighteous thing.

37 Wine is wicked, the king is wicked, women are wicked, all the children of men are wicked, and such are all their wicked workes, and there is no trueth in them. In their vnrighteousnesse also they shall perish.

38 As for the Trueth, it endureth, and is alwayes strong, it liueth, and conquereth for euermore.

39 With her there is no accepting of persons, or rewards, but she doeth the things that are iust and refraineth from all vniust and wicked things, and all men doe well like of her workes.

40 Neither in her iudgement is any vnrighteousnesse. & she is the strength, kingdome, power, and maiestie of all ages. Blessed be the God of trueth.

41 And with that he held his peace, and all the people then shouted, and said, Great is Truth, and mighty aboue all things.

42 Then said the King vnto him, Aske what thou wilt more then is appointed in the writing, and we will giue it thee, because thou art found wisest, and thou shalt sit next me, and shalt be called my cousin.

43 Then said he vnto the King: Remember thy vow which thou hast vowed, to build Ierusalem in the day when thou camest to the Kingdome.

44 And to send away all the vessels that were taken away out of Ierusalem, which Cyrus set apart when hee vowed to destroy Babylon, and to send them againe thither.

45 Thou also hast vowed to build vp the Temple which the Edomites burnt when Iudea was made desolate by the Caldees.

46 And now, O lord the King, this is that which I require, and which I desire of thee, and this is thy princely liberality proceeding from thy selfe: I desire therefore, that thou mayst good the vow, the performance whereof with thine owne mouth thou hast vowed to the King of heauen.

47 Then Darius the King stood vp, and kissed him, and wrote letters for him vnto all the treasurers, and lieutenants, and captaines, and gouernours that they should safely conuey on their way, both him, and all those that goe vp with him to build Ierusalem.

48 Hee wrote letters also to the Lieutenants that were in Cœlosyria and Phenice, and vnto them in Libanus, that they should bring Cedar wood from Libanus vnto Ierusalem, and that they should build the City with him.

49 Moreouer, he wrote for all the Iewes that went out of his Realme vp into Iury, concerning their freedome; that no officer, no ruler, no lieutenant, nor ‖ treasurer, should forcibly enter into their doores,

50 And that all the countrey which they hold, should be free without tribute, and that the Edomites should giue ouer the villages of the Iewes, which then they held.

51 Yea, that there should be yeerely giuen twenty talents to the building of the Temple, vntill the time that it were built.

52 And other ten talents yerely to maintaine the burnt offerings vpon the Altar euery day, (as they had a commandment to offer fourteene.)

53 And that all they that went from Babylon to build the city, should haue free liberty, as well they as their posterity, & all the Priests that went away.

54 He wrote also concerning the charges, and the Priests vestiments wherein they minister:

55 And likewise for the charges of the Leuites, to be giuen them, vntill the day that the house were finished, and Ierusalem builded vp.

56 And hee commaunded to giue to all that kept the city, pensions and wages.

57 He sent away also all the vessels from Babylon that Cyrus had set apart, and all that Cyrus had giuen in commandement, the same charged he also to be done, and sent vnto Ierusalem.

58 Now when this young man was gone forth, he lifted vp his face toward Ierusalem, and praised the King of heauen,

59 And said, From thee commeth victory, from thee commeth wisedome, and thine is the glorie, and I am thy seruant.

60 Blessed art thou who hast giuen me wisdome: for to thee I giue thanks, O Lord of our fathers.

61 And so he tooke the letters, and went out and came vnto Babylon, and told it all his brethren.

62 And they prayed the God of their fathers: because he had giuen them freedome and liberty,

63 To goe vp, and to build Ierusalem, and the Temple which is called by his Name, and they feasted with instruments of musicke, and gladnesse, seuen dyes.

CHAP. V.

4 *The names and number of the Iewes that returned home.* 50 *The Altar is set vp in his place.* 57 *The foundation of the Temple is laid.* 73 *The worke is hindred for a time.*

AFter this were the principall men of the families chosen according to their tribes to goe vp with their wiues, and sons, and daughters, with their men seruants, and maid seruants, and their cattell.

2 And Darius sent with them a thousand horsemen, till they had brought them backe to Ierusalem safely, and with musicall [instruments] tabrets and flutes:

3 And all their brethren played, and he made them goe vp together with them.

4 And these are the names of the men which went vp according to their families, amongst their tribes after their seuerall heads.

5 The Priests, the sons of Phinees, the son of Aaron: Iesus the son of Iosedec, the son of Saraias, and ‖ Joachim the son of Zorobabel, the son of Salathiel, of the house of Danid, out of the kinred of Phares, of the Tribe of Iuda;

6 a Who spake wise sentences before Darius the King of Persis, in the second yeere of his reigne, in the moneth Nisan, which is the first moneth.

7 And these are they of Iury, that came vp from the captiuity, where they dwelt as strangers, whom Nabuchodonosor the King of Babylon had carried away vnto Babylon.

8 And they returned vnto Ierusalem, and to the other parts of Iury, euery man to his owne city, who came with Zorobabel, with Iesus, Nehemias, and b Zacharias, and Reesaias, Enenius, Mardochens, Beelsarus, c Aspharasus, dReelius, Roimus, and Baana their guides.

9 The number of them of the Nation, and their gouernors: sons of e Phoros, two thousand an hundred seuenty and two: the sons of f Saphat, g foure hundred seuenty and two:

10 The sons of Ares, seuen hundred fifty and six:

11 The sonnes of Phiath Moab, two thousand eight hundred and twelue:

12 The sonnes of Elam: a thousand two hundred fifty and foure: the sons of h Zathui, nine hundred forty and fiue: the sons of i Corbe, seuen hundred and fiue: the sonnes of Bani, sixe hundred seuety and eight.

13 The sonnes of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three: the Sons of k Sadas, three thousand two hundred twenty and two:

14 The sonnes of Adonikan, six hundred sixty and seuen: the sons of l Ragoi, two thousand sixty and sixe: the sonnes of Adin, foure hundred fifty and foure:

15 The sounes of m Aterezias, ninetie and two: the sonnes of Ceilan, and Azetas, threescore and seuen: the sonnes of Azuran, foure hundred thirty and two:

16 The sonnes of Annias, an hundred and one: the sons of Arom, thirty two, and the sons of n Bassa, three hundred twenty and three: the sons of Azzpharith, an hundred and two:

17 The sons of Meteeus, three thousand and fiue: the sonnes of o Bethlomon, an hundred twenty and three:

18 They of Netophah, fifty and fiue: they of Anathoth, an hundred fifty and eight: they of p Bethsamos, fourty and two:

19 They of q Kiriatiarius, twenty an fiue: they of Caphira and Beroth, seuen hundred fourty and three: they of Pyra, seuen hundred:

Joachim and Zorobabel. This place is corrupt for Iosedech was the son of Iosiech. Nehem. 12. 10. & not Zorobabel, who was of the tribe of Iudah.

a Zorobabel.
b Sarajah
c Or, Misper.
d Or, Reelaiah.
e Prossh. Ezra. 2. nehem. 7. where see diuersitie, looke for the true numbers of the particulars following: for here they vary much and the name much more.
f Shephatiah.
g Or, three hundred seuentie two.
h Zattu,
i Zacchai,
k Asgad.
l Bigui.
m Aierhezekia.
n Besai.
o Bethlehem.
p Atmaueth.
q Kiriathiarim.

Rom. 3. 19. Ezra. 3. 2. c. 1. 8. c. 5. 14. Hosea. 2. 1. c. 3. 5. Hag. 1. 1. c. 2. 3. 4. 5. 22. Zech. 4. 9. 11. Luk. 3. 27.

20 They of Chadias and Ammidioi, fourc hundred twenty and two: they of r Cyrama, and s Gabdes six hundred twenty and one:

21 They of t Macalon, an hundred twenty and two: they of u Betolius, fifty and two: the sonnes of x Nephis, an hundred fiftie and six.

22 The sonnes of y Calamolalus, and Onus, seuen hundred twenty and fiue: the sonnes of Iericho, two hundred forty and fiue:

23 The sonnes of z Annaas, three thousand three hundred and thirty:

24 The Priests, the sonnes of a Ieddu, the soane of Iesus, among the soanes of Sanasib, nine hundred seuenty and two: the sonnes of b Meruth, a thousand fifty and two:

25 The sonnes of c Phassaron, a thousand fourty and seuen: the sonnes of d Carme, e a thousand and seuenteene.

26 The Leuites: the sonnes of f Iessue, and Cadmiel, and Banuas, and Sudias seuenty and foure.

27 The holy singers: the sonnes of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight.

28 The porters: the sonnes of g Salum, the sons of h Istal, the sonnes of Talmon, the sons of i Dacobi, the sonnes of k Iteta, the sons of l Sami, in all an hundred thirty and nine.

29 The seruants of the Temple: the sonnes of m Esau, the sons of n Asipha, the sonnes of Tabaoth, the sonnes of o Ceras, the sons of p Sud, the sonnes of q Phaleas, the sonnes of Labana, the sonnes of r Graba:

30 The sonnes of s Acua, the sonnes of Vta, the sonnes of t Cetab, the sonnes of Agaba, the sons of u Subai, the sonnes of Anan, the sons of x Cathua, the sonnes of y Geddur:

31 The sonnes of z Airus, the sons of a Daisan, the sonnes of b Noeba, the sonnes of Chasiba, the sonnes of c Gazera, the sonnes of d Azia, the sonnes of e Phinees, the sons of Azara, the sons of f Bastai, the sonnes of g Asana, the sons of h Meani, the sonnes of i Naphisi, the sonnes of k Acub, the sons of l Asipha, the sonnes of m Assur, the sonnes of Pharaism, the sonnes of n Basaloth.

32 The sonnes of o Meeda, the sonnes of Coutha, the sonnes of p Charea, the sonnes of q Charcus, the sonnes of r Aserer, the sons of s Thomoi, the sons of t Nasith, the sonnes of Atipha.

33 The sonnes of the seruants of Solomon: the sonnes of u Azaphion, the sonnes of x Pharira, the sonnes of y Ioeli, the sonnes of z Lozon, the sons of a Isdael, the sonnes of b Sapheth.

34 The sonnes of c Hagia, the sonnes of d Phacareth, the sonnes of Sabie, the sons of Sarothie, the sonnes of Masias, the sonnes of Gar, the sonnes of Addus, the sonnes of Suba, the sonnes of Apherra, the sonnes of Barodis, the sonnes of Sabat, the sonnes of Allom.

35 All the ministers of the Temple, and the sons of the seruants of Solomon, were three hundred seuenty and two.

36 These came vp from Thermeleth, and Thelersas, Charaathalar leading them, and Aalar,

37 Neither could they shew their families, nor their stocke, how they were of Israel: the sonnes of e Ladan, the sonnes of f Ban, the sonnes of g Necodan, six hundred fifty and two.

38 And of the Priests that vsurped the office of the Priesthood, and were not found, the sonnes of

39 And when the deſcription of the kindred of these men was sought in the regiſter, and were not found, they were removed from executing the office of the Priesthood.

40 For vnto them said † Nehemias and Athasias, that they should not be partakers of the holy things, till there arose vp an high Priest, clothed with † doctrine and trueth.

41 So of Israel from them of twelue yeres old and vpward, they were all in number fourty thousand, besides men seruants, and women-seruants, two thousand three hundred and sixty.

42 Their † men seruants, and hand-maids were seuen thousand three hundred forty and seuen: the singing men, and singing-women, two hundred forty and fiue.

43 Foure hundred thirty and fiue camels, seuen thousand thirty and six horses, two hundred fourty and fiue mules, * fiue thousand fiue hundred twenty and fiue † beasts, vsed to the yoke.

44 And certaine of the chiefe of their families, when they came to the Temple of God that is in Ieruſalem, vowed to set vp the house againe in his owne place, according to their inability:

45 And to giue into the holy treasury of the workes, a thousand pounds of gold, five thousand of siluer, and an hundred Priestly vestures.

46 And so dwelt the Priests, and the Leuites, and the people in Ieruſalem, and in the countrey: the singers, also and the porters, and all Israel in their villages.

47 But when the seuenth moneth was at hand, and when the children of Israel were euery man in his owne place, they came altogether with one consent into the open place of the first gate, which is towards the East.

48 Then stood vp Iesus the sonne of Iosedec, and his brethren the Priests, and Zorobabel the sonne of Salathiel, and his brethren, and made ready the Altar of the God of Israel,

49 To offer burnt sacrifices vpon it, according as it is expreſly commanded in the Booke of Moses the man of God.

50 And there were gathered vnto them out of the other nations of the land, and they erected the Altar vpon his owne place, because all the nations of the Land were at enmity with them, and oppressed them, and they offered sacrifice according to the time, and burnt offerings to the Lord both morning and euening.

51 Also they held the Feast of Tabernacles as it is commanded in the Law, and offered sacrifices dayly as was meet:

52 And after that the † continuall oblations, and the sacrifice of the Sabbaths, and of the new Moones, and of all holy feasts.

53 And all they that † had made any vowes to God began to offer sacrifices to God, from the first day of the seuenth moneth, although the Temple of the Lord was not yet built.

54 And they gaue vnto the masons and carpenters money, meat and drinke with cheare also:

55 Vnto them of Sidon also and Tyre, they gaue carres, that they should bring Cedar trees from Libanus, which should bee brought by floates to the hauen of Ioppe, according as it was commanded them by Cyrus King of the Persians.

56 And in the second yeare, and second moneth after his comming to the Temple of God

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x Rama. y Gabah. z Michmas. a Bethel. x Maghbis. y Lodhid. z Hnaah. a Iedeiah. b Immer. c Pashur. d Harim. e Or, 217. according to some copies. f Thus it is read, Ezra 2. 40 the sons of Iesua, and Cadmeel of the sons of Hodauiah g Shallum h Ater. i Akkub. k Hatita. l Shobai. m Zich. n Hasupha. o Keros. p Siaha. q Padon. r Acabah. s Akkub. t Hagab. u Shalai. x Gaddes. y Gahar. z Reaiah. a Rezin. b Necodah c Gazzam d Hazza. e Paseah. f Besai. g Asnah. h Nesiah i Meahuim. k Bacbuk l Hacupha. m Harhur n Bazluth o Mehida p Harsha. q Barcos. r Sisera. s Thamar. t Neziah. u Sophereth. x Perudæ e Nati. f Tobiah. y Jaalah. z Darcon. a Giddel. b Shephatiah. d Phocereth Hazzebaim, Ezra 2. 55. e Dthiah. g Necodah.

h Obdiah: the son of i Accos, the sons of k Addus, who married Augia, one of the daughters of Berzelus, and was named after his name.

† doctrine and trueth.

* fiue thousand fiue hundred twenty and fiue † beasts, vsed to the yoke.

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Ierusalem, beganne Zorobabel the son of Salathiel, and Iesus the sonne of Iosedec, and their brethren, and the Priests and the Leuites, & all they that were come vnto Ierusalem out of the captiuity:

57 And they layd the foundation of the house of God, in the first day of the second moneth in the second yeere after they were come to Iury and Hierusalem.

58 ‖ And they appoynted the Leuites, from twenty yeres old ouer the works of the Lord. Then stood vp Iesus and his sons, and brethren, and Cadmiel his brother, and the sonnes of Madiabun, with the sonnes of Ioda, the sonne of Eliadun, with their sonnes and brethren, all Leuites with one accord, ‖ setters forward of the businesse, labouring to aduance the works in the house of God. So the workemen built the Temple of the Lord.

59 And the Priestes stood arayed in their vestiments, with musicall instruments, and trumpets, and the Leuites the sonnes of Asaph had Cymbals,

60 Singing songs of thanke-geuing and praising the Lord, ‖ according as Dauid the King of Israel had ordained.

61 And they sung *with* loud voyces Songs to the praise of the Lord: because his mercy and glory is for euer in all Israel.

62 And all the people sounded Trumpets, and shouted with a lowd voyce, singing Songs of thanksgiuing vnto the Lord, for the rearing vp of the house of the Lord.

63 * Also of the Priests and Leuites, and of the chiefe of their families, the ancients, who had seene the former house, came to the building of this with weeping and great crying.

64 But many with Trumpets and ioy shouted with lowd voyce.

65 In so much that the Trumpets might not bee heard for the weeping of the people: yet the multitude sounded marueilously, so that it was heard a farre off.

66 Wherefore when the enemies of the Tribe of Iudah and Beniamin heard it, they came to know what that noyse of Trumpets should meane.

67 And they perceiued that they that were of the captiuity did build the Temple vnto the Lord God of Israel.

68 So they went to Zorobabel and Iesus, and to the chiefe of the families, and said vnto them, We will build together with you.

69 For we likewise, as you, do obey your Lord, and do sacrifice vnto him from the dayes of ‖ Axbazareth the King of the Assyrians, who brought vs hither.

70 Then Zorobabel and Iesus, and the chiefe of the families of Israel, said vnto them, It is not for you and vs to build together an house vnto the Lord our God.

71 We ourselues alone will build vnto the Lord of Israel, according as Cyrus the King of the Persians hath commanded vs.

72 But the heathen of the land lying heauy vpon the inhabitants of Idea, and holding them strait, hindred their building:

73 And by their secret plots, and popular perswasions, and commotions they hindred the finishing of the building, all the time that King Cyrus lined so they were hindred from building for the space of two yeeres, vntill the reigne of Darius.

CHAP. VI.

1 The Prophets stirre vp the people to build the temple. 8 Darius is solicited to hinder it. 27 But he doth further it by all meanes, 32 and threatneth those that shall hinder it.

NOw in the second yeere of the reigne of Darius, Aggeus, and Zacharias the son of ‖ Addo, the Prophets, prophesied vnto the Iewes in Iury and Ierusalem, in the Name of the Lord God of Israel, ‖ which was vpon them.

2 Then stood vp Zorobabel the son of Salathiel, and Iesus the son of Iosedec, and began to build the house of the Lord at Ierusalem, the Prophets of the Lord being with them, and helping them.

3 * At the same time, came vnto them ‖ Sisinnes the gouernour of Syria, and Phenice, with ‖ Sathrabuzanes, and his companions, and said vnto them,

4 By whose appointment doe you build this house, and this roofe, & performe all the other things? and who are the workmen that performe these things?

5 Neuertheless, the Elders of the Iewes obtained fauour: because the Lord had visited the captiuity.

6 And they were not hindred from building vntill such time as signification was giuen vnto Darius concerning them, and an answere receiued.

7 The copy of the letters which Sisinnes gouernor of Syria and Phenice, and Sathrabuzanes with their companions, rulers in Syria and Phenice, wrot, and sent vnto Darius, To King Darius greeting.

8 Let all things bee knowne vnto our lord the King, that being come into the countrey of Idea, and entred into the city of Ierusalem, we found, in the city of Ierusalem the ancients of the Iewes that were of the captiuity;

9 Building an house vnto the Lord, great and new of hewen and costly stones, and the timber already laid vpon the walles.

10 And those works are done with great speed and the worke goeth on prosperously in their hands, and with all glory and diligence it is made.

11 Then asked we these Elders, saying, By whose commandement build you this house, and lay the foundation of these workes?

12 Wherefore to the intent that we might giue knowledge vnto thee by writing, we demanded of them who were the chiefe doers, and we required of them the names in writing of their principall men.

13 So they gaue vs this answere, We are the seruants of the Lord which made heauen and earth.

14 And as for this house, it was builded many yeeres agoe, by a King of Israel great and strong, and was finished.

15 But when our fathers prouoked God vnto wrath and sinned against the Lord of Israel, which is in heauen, he gaue them ouer into the power of Nabuchodonosor king of Babylon of the Chaldees:

16 Who pulled downe the house, and burnt it, and carried away the people captiues vnto Babylon.

17 But in the first yeere that King Cyrus reigned ouer the countrey of Babylon, Cyrus the King wrot to build this house.

18 And the holy vessels of gold and of siluer that Nabuchodonosor had caried away out of the house at Ierusalem, and had set them in his owne temple, those Cyrus the King brought forth again out of the temple at Babylon, and they were deliuered to ‖ Zorobabel, and to Sanabassarus the ruler,

19 With commandement that he should carry away the same vessels, and put them in the Temple at Hierusalem, and that the Temple of the Lord should be built in his place.

20 Then the same Sanabassarus being come hither, laid the foundation of the house of the Lord at Ierusalem, and from that time to this being still a building, it is not yet fully ended.

21 Now therefore if it see good vnto the king let search be made among the ‖ records of King Cyrus,

‖ *Or,* Iddo.
‖ *Or,* which was vpon them.
‖ *Or,* setters forward of them.
* Ezra 3.12
‖ *Or,* Tatnai.
‖ *Or,* Shethar-bozenai.
‖ *Or,* Zorobabel which is also Sanabassar the ruler: as Zorobabel set-ting the foundation of the house of the Lord at Ierusalem, added to the same, a building, it is not yet fully ended. 8 v. 1. 8.
‖ *Or,* rouls.

22 And if it bee found that the building of the house of the Lord at Ierusalem hath been done with the consent of King Cyrus, and if our lord the King be so minded, let him signifie vnto vs thereof.

23 Then commanded King Darius to seeke among the records at Babylon: & so at Ecbatane the palace which is in the countrey of Media, there was found
‖ Or, place. 1 a roulewherein these things were recorded.

24 In the first yeere of the reigne of Cyrus, King Cyrus commanded that the house of the Lord at Ierusalem should be built againe, where they doe sacrifice with continuall fire.

25 Whose height shall be sixty cubites, and the breadth sixty cubites, with three rowes of hewen stones, and one row of new wood of that countrey, and the expences thereof to be giuen out of the house of King Cyrus.

26 And that the holy vessels of the house of the Lord, both of gold and siluer that Nabuchodonosor tooke out of the house at Ierusalem, and brought to Babylon, should be restored to ‡ house at Ierusalem, and be set in the place where they were before.

27 And also he commanded, that Sisinnes the Gouernour of Syria and Phenice, and Sathrabuzanes, and their companions, and those which were appointed Rulers in Syria and Phenice, should be carefull not to meddle with the place, but suffer Zorobabel the seruant of the Lord, and Gouernour of Iudea, and the Elders of the Iewes to build the house of the Lord in that place.

28 I haue commanded also to haue it built vp whole againe, and that they looke diligently to helpe those that be of the captiuity of the Iewes, till the house of the Lord be finished.

29 And out of the tribute of Cœlosyria, and Phenice, a portion carefully to be giuen these men, for the sacrifices of the Lord, *that is*, to Zorobabel the Gouernour, for bullocks, and rams, and lambes:

30 And also corne, salt, wine, and oyle: and that continually euery yeere without further question, according as the Priestes that be in Ierusalem, shall signifie to be dayly spent:

‖ Drinke offerings. 31 That ‖ offerings may be made to the most high God, for the king, and for his children, and that they may pray for their liues

32 And hee commaunded that whosoeuer should transgresse, yea, or make light of any thing afore spoken, or written, out of his owne house should a tree be taken, and ◦e thereon be hanged and all his goods seized for the King.

33 The Lord therefore, whose Name is there called vpon, vtterly destroy euery King and Nation, that stretcheth out his hand to hinder or endammage that house of the Lord in Ierusalem.

34 I Darius the king haue ordained, that according vnto these things it be done with diligence.

CHAP. VII.

1 Sisinnes and others helpe forward the building. 5 The Temple is finished, and dedicated. 10 The Passouer is kept.

¶ Ezra 6.13. THen ¶ Sisinnes the Gouernor of Cœlosyria, and Phenice, and Sathrabuzanes with their companions, following the cõmandements of King Darius,

2 Did very carefully ouersee the holy workes, assisting the ancients of the Iewes and gouernours of the Temple.

3 And so the holy works prospered, when Aggeus and Zacharias the Prophets prophesied.

‖ Or, the decree. 4 And they finished these things by the commandement of the Lord God of Israel, and with ‖ the consent of Cyrus, Darius, and Artaxerxes Kings of Persia,

5 And thus was the holy House finished: in the † three and twentieth day of the moneth Adar: in the sixt yeere of Darius King of the Persians.

6 And the children of Israel: the Priests and the Leuites, and other that were of the captiuity, that were added vnto them, did according to the things written in the Booke of Moses.

7 And to the dedication of the Temple of the Lord they offered an hundred bullocks, two hundred rams, foure hundred lambs;

8 And twelue goats for the sinne of all Israel, according to the number of ‖ the chiefe of the Tribes of Israel.

9 The Priests also and the Leuites stood attired in their vestiments, according to their † kindreds in the seruices of the Lord God of Israel, according to the Booke of Moses, and the porters at euery gate.

10 And the children of Israel, ‖ that were of the captiuity held the Passeouer the fourteenth day of the first moneth, after that the Priests and the Leuites were sanctified.

11 They that were of the captiuity were not all sanctified together, but the Leuites were all sanctified together,

12 And so they offered the Passeouer for all them of the captiuity and for their brethren the Priestes, and for themselues.

13 And the children of Israel that came out of the captiuity did eat, euen all they that had ‖ separated themselues from the abominations of the people of the land, and sought the Lord.

14 And they kept the Feast of vnleauened bread seuen dayes, making merry before the Lord,

15 For that hee had turned one ‖ counsell of the King of Assyria vnto them, to strengthen their hands in the worke of the Lord God of Israel.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Esdras bringeth the Kings commission to build. 8 The copy of it. 28 He declareth the names and number of those that came with him. 61 And his journey: 71 He lamenteth the sinnes of his people. 96 And sweareth the Temple to put away strange wiues.

AND after these things, when Artaxerxes the King of the Persians reigned, came Esdras the sonne of Saraias, the sonne of Ezerias, the sonne of Helchiah, the son of Salum,

2 The sonne of Sadduc, the sonne of Achitob, the sonne of Amarias, the sonne of ‖ Ozias, the sonne of ‖ Memeroth, the sonne of Zaraias, the sonne of Saouias, the sonne of Boccas, the son of Abisum, the son of Phinees, the son of Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron the † chiefe Priest.

3 This Esdras went vp from Babylon as a Scribe, being very ready in the Law of Moses, that was giuen by the God of Israel

4 And the King did honour him: for hee found grace in his sight in all his requests.

5 There went vp with him also certaine of the children of Israel, of the Priests of the Leuites, and the holy Singers, Porters, and ‖ Ministers of the Temple vnto Ierusalem,

6 In † the seuenth yere of the reigne of King Artaxerxes, in the fift moneth, (this was the Kings seuenth yeere,) for they went from Babylon in the first day of the first moneth, and came to Ierusalem according to the ‖ prosperous iourney which the Lord gaue them.

7 For Esdras had very great skill, so that he omitted nothing of the Law and Commandements of the Lord, but taught all Israel the Ordinances and
‖ Iudgements.

¶ Now the copy of the ‖ Commission which was written from Artaxerxes the King, and came to Esdras the Priest, and Reader of the Law of the Lord: is this that followeth.

9 King Artaxerxes vnto Esdras the Priest, and Reader of the Law of the Lord, sendeth greeting.

10 Having determined to deale graciously, I haue giuen order that such of the nation of the Iewes, and of the Priests and Leuites, being within our Realme, as are willing and desirous, should go with thee vnto Ierusalem.

11 As many therefore as haue a mind thereunto, let them depart with thee, as it hath seemed good both to me, and my seuen friends the Counsellers,

12 That they may looke vnto the affaires of Iudea and Ierusalem, agreeably to that which is in the Law of the Lord.

13 And carry the gifts vnto the Lord of Israel to Ierusalem, which I and my friends haue vowed, and all the gold and siluer that in the countrey of Babylon can be ‖ found to the Lord in Ierusalem,

14 With that also which is giuen of the people for the Temple of the Lord their God at Ierusalem: and that siluer and gold may be collected for bullocks, rams and lambes, and things thereunto appertaining,

15 To the end that they may offer sacrifices vnto the Lord, vpon the Altar of the Lord their God, which is in Ierusalem.

16 And whatsoeuer thou and thy brethren will doe ‖ with the siluer and gold, that doe according to the will of thy God.

17 And the holy vessels of the Lord, which are giuen thee, for the vse of the Temple of thy God, which is in Ierusalem, thou shalt set before thy God in Ierusalem.

18 And whatsoeuer thing else thou shalt remember for the vse of the Temple of thy God, thou shalt giue it out of the Kings treasury.

19 And I King Artaxerxes haue also commanded the keepers of the treasures in Syria and Phenice, that whatsoeuer Esdras the Priest, and the Reader of the Law of the most High God shall send for, they should giue it him with speed,

20 To the summe of an hundred talents of siluer: likewise also of wheat, euen to an hundred ‖ cores, and an hundred pieces of wine, and other things in abundance.

21 Let all things be performed after the Law of God diligently, vnto the most High God, that wrath come not vpon the kingdome of the King and his Sonnes.

22 I command you also that yee require no taxe, nor any other imposition of any of the Priests or Leuites, or holy singers, or porters, or ministers of the Temple, or of any that haue doings in this Temple, and that no man haue authority to impose any thing vpon them.

23 And thou Esdras, according to the wisedome of God, ordaine Iudges, and Iusticers, that they may iudge in all Syria and Phenice † all those that know the Law of thy God, and those that know it not, thou shalt teach.

24 And *whosoeuer shall transgresse the Law of thy God, and of the King, shall be punished diligently, whether it be by death, or other punishment, by penalty of money, or by imprisonment.

25 ¶ Then said Esdras the Scribe, blessed bee the onely Lord God of my Fathers, who hath put these things into the heart of the King to glorifie his house that is in Ierusalem;

26 And hath honoured mee in the sight of the king and his counsellers, and all his friends and nobles.

27 Therefore was I encouraged by the helpe of the Lord my God, and gathered together men of Israel to goe vp with me:

28 And these are the chiefe according to their families and seuerall dignities, that went vp with me from Babylon in the reigne of king Artaxerxes.

29 Of the sonnes of Phinees, Gerson: of the sons of Ithamar, ‖ Gamael: of the sonnes of Dauid, ‖ Lettus, * the sonne of Sechenias:

30 Of the sonnes of Pharez, Zacharias, and with him were counted an hundred and fifty men:

31 Of the sonnes of Pahath, Moab; Eliaonias, the son of ‖ Zaraias, & with him two hundred men:

32 Of the sonnes of ‖ Zathoe, Sechenias, the son of Iezelus, and with him three hundred men: Of the sonnes of Adin, Obeth the sonne of Ionathan, and with him † two hundred and fiftie men:

33 Of the sonnes of Elam, Iosias sonne of ‖ Gothobias, and with him seuenty men:

34 Of the sons of Saphatias, ‖ Zaraias, sonne of Michael, and with him ‖ threescore and ten men:

35 Of the sons of Ioab, ‖ Abadias sonne of ‖ Iezelus, and with him two hundred and ‖ twelue men:

36 Of the sons of Banid, ‖ Assalimoth son of Iosaphias and with him an hundred & threescore men.

37 Of the sonnes of Babi, Zacharias sonne of Bebai, and with him twenty and eight men:

38 Of the sonnes of ‖ Astath, Iohannes sonne of ‖ Acatan, and with him an hundred and ten men:

39 Of the sonnes of Adonicam the last, and these are the names of them, Eliphalet, Ieuel, and ‖ Samaias, and with them ‖ seuenty men.

40 Of the sonnes of † Bago, Vthi, the sonne of Istalcurus, and with him seuenty men:

41 And these I gathered together to the riuer called ‖ Theras, where we pitched our tents three dayes: and then I surueyed them.

42 But when ‖ I had found there none of the Priests and Leuites,

43 Then sent I vnto Eleazar and ‖ Idnel, and ‖ Maiman,

44 And Alnathan, and Mamaias, and ‖ Ioribas, and Nathan, Eunatan, Zacharias, and Mosollamon, principall men, and learned.

45 And I bade them ỳ they should go vnto Saddeus the captaine, who was in the place of ỳ treasury:

46 And commanded them that they should speak vnto Daddeus, and to his brethren, and to the treasurers in that place, to send vs such men as might execute the Priests office in the house of the Lord.

47 And by the mighty hand of our Lord they brought vnto vs skilful men of the sonnes of ‖ Moli, the sonne of Leui, the sonne of Israel, ‖ Asebebia, and his sonnes and his brethren, who were eighteene:

48 And Asebia, and Annuus, and Osaias his brother of the sonnes of Channuneus, and their sonnes were twenty men.

49 And of the seruants of the Temple whom Dauid had ordeined, and the principall men, for the seruice of the Leuites (to wit) the seruants of the Temple, two hundred and twenty, the catalogue of whose names were shewed.

*Or, Daniel. ‖ Or, Chattus. * Ezra 8. 3. of the sonnes of Sechenias, of the sons of Parosh ‖ Zerachaiah. ‖ Or, of the sonnes of Shechemiah the sonne of Iahaziel. † Hebr. fifty men. ‖ Or, Athalia. ‖ Or, Zebadiah. ‖ Or, fourscoremen. ‖ Or, Obadiah. ‖ Or, Iehiel. ‖ Or, eighteen men. ‖ Or, of the sonnes of Shelomith the sonne of Iosiphiah. ‖ Or, Azgad. ‖ Or, Catan. ‖ Or, Shemaia. ‖ Or sixtie men. † Hebr. Boguai. ‖ Or, to the river called Ahaue. Ezr. 8.21. ‖ Or, he numbred the people and the priests: but found none of the sons of Leui. ‖ Or, Ariel ‖ Or, Shemaiah. ‖ Or, Iarib. ‖ Or, the seuen names with their generations are rightly distinguished, Ezr. 8.16. ‖ Or, Iddo ‖ Or, of. ‖ Or, Casiphia. ‖ Or, the Nethinims at the place of Casiphia. ‖ Or, Machli. ‖ Or, Sherebia, Ezra 8.18 ‖ Or, also Hasabia, and with him Iesaiah of the sonnes of Merari with his brethren, Ezra 8.19.

‖ *Proclaimed.* 50 And there I vowed a fast vnto the young men before our Lord, to desire of him a prosperous iourney, both for vs, and them that were with vs; for our children, and for the † cattell.

† *Hebr. substance.*

51 For I was ashamed to aske the King footmen, and horsemen, and conduct for safegard against our aduersaries:

52 For we had said vnto the king, that the power of the Lord our God should be with them that seeke him, to support them in all wayes.

53 And againe we besought our Lord, as touching these things, and found him fauourable vnto vs.

54 Then I separated twelue of the chiefe of the ‖ *Sherebias and Hasbias.* Priests, ‖ Esebrias and Asanias, and ten men of their brethren with them.

55 And I weighed them the gold, and the siluer, and the holy vessels of the house of our Lord, which the King and his Counsell, and the princes, and all Israel had giuen.

56 And when I had weighed it, I deliuered vnto them six hundred and fifty talents of siluer, and siluer vessels for a hundred talents, and an hundred talents of gold.

† *Heb. two vessels, Exo. 8. 7* 57 And twenty golden vessels, & † twelue vessels of brasse, euen of fine brasse glittering like gold.

58 And I said vnto them, Both you are holy vnto the Lord, and the vessels are holy, and the gold and the siluer is a vow vnto the Lord of our Father.

59 Watch you, and keepe them till ye deliuer them to the chiefe of the Priests and Leuites, and to the principall men of the families of Israel in Ierusalem, into the chambers of the house of our God.

60 So the Priests and the Leuites, who had receiued the siluer, and the gold, & the vessels, brought them vnto Ierusalem into the temple of the Lord.

61 And from the riuer Theras, wee departed the twelfth day of the first moneth, and came to Ierusalem by the mighty hand of our Lord, which was ‖ *Dangers in the way.* with vs: and from the beginning of our ‖ iourney, the Lord deliuered vs from euery enemy, and so we came to Ierusalem.

62 And when we had beene there three dayes, the gold, and siluer that was weighed was deliuered in the house of our Lord, on the fourth day, vnto

‖ *Or, vnto Meremoth, the sonne of Vriah the Priest.* ‖ Marmoth the Priest the sonne of Iri.

63 And with him was Eleazar the sonne of Phinees, and with them were Iosabad the sonne of Iesu, and ‖ Moeth the sonne of Sabban, Leuites: all was *deliuered them* by number and weight.

‖ *Noadiah the son of Binnui.*

64 And all the weight of them was written vp the same houre.

65 Moreouer, they that were come out of the captiuity, offered sacrifice vnto the Lord God of Israel: seuen twelue bullocks for all Israel, fourescore and sixteene rammes.

† *Hebr. 77 lambes, 12. goats for a sin offering. Exo. 8. 31.*

66 † Threescore and twelue lambes, goats for a peace offering, twelue, all of them a sacrifice to the Lord.

67 And they deliuered the Kings commandements vnto the Kings Stewards, and to the Gouernours of Cœlosyria and Phenice, and they honoured the people, and the Temple of God.

68 Now when these things were done, the rulers came vnto me, and said,

69 The nation of Israel, the Princes, the Priests, and Leuites, haue not put away from them the strange people of the land: nor the pollutions of the Gentiles, *to wit*, of the Chananites, Hittites, Pherezites, Iebusites, and the Moabites, Egyptians, and Edomites.

Ezra 9. 2. 70 * For both they and their sonnes, haue married with their daughters, and the holy seed is mixed with the strange people of the land: and from the beginning of this matter, the Rulers, and the great men haue beene partakers of this iniquity.

71 And assoone as I had heard these things, I rent my clothes, and the holy garment: and pulled of the haire from off my head and beard, and sate me downe sad, and very heauy.

72 So all they that were then moued at the word of the Lord God of Israel, assembled vnto me, while I mourned for the iniquity: but I sate in silence of heauinesse vntill the euening sacrifice.

73 Then rising vp from the fast, with my clothes and the holy garment rent; and bowing my knees, and stretching foorth my hands vnto the Lord:

74 I said, O Lord, I am confounded, and ashamed before thy face:

75 For our sinnes † are multiplied aboue our heads, and our ignorances haue reached vp vnto heauen.

76 For euer since the time of our Fathers we haue been, and are in great sinne, euen vnto this day:

77 And for our sinnes and our Fathers, we with our brethren and our Kings, and our Priests, were giuen vp vnto the Kings of the earth, to the sword, and to captiuity, and for a prey, with shame vnto this day.

78 And now in some measure hath mercy been shewed vnto vs from thee, O Lord, that there should be left vs a root and a name in the place of thy Sanctuary.

79 And to discouer vnto vs a light in the house of the Lord our God, and giue vs food in the time of our seruitude.

80 Yea, when we were in bondage, we were not forsaken of our Lord, but he made vs gracious before the Kings of Persia, so that they gaue vs food:

81 Yea, and honoured the Temple of our Lord, and raised vp the desolate Sion, that they hauing giuen vs a sure abiding in Iury and Ierusalem,

82 And now, O Lord, what shall we say, hauing these things? for we haue transgressed thy commandements, which thou gauest by the hand of thy seruants the Prophets, saying:

83 That the land which ye enter into, to possesse as an heritage, is a land polluted with the pollutions of the strangers of the lands, and they haue filled it with their vncleanesse.

84 Therefore now if all ye not giue your daughters vnto their sonnes, neither shall yee take their daughters vnto your sonnes.

85 Moreouer, you shall neuer seeke to haue peace with them, that ye may be strong and eate the good things of the land, and that we may leaue the inheritance of the land vnto your children for euermore.

86 And all that is befallen vs, is done vnto vs for our wicked workes, and great sinnes: for thou, Lord, didst make our sinnes light:

87 And didst giue vnto vs such a root: but we haue turned backe againe to transgresse thy Law, and to mingle our selues with the vncleannesse of the nations of the land.

88 ‖ Mightest not thou be angry with vs to destroy vs, till thou hadst left vs neither root, seed, nor name?

89 O Lord of Israel thou art true: for we are left a root this day.

90 Behold, now we are before thee in our iniquities, for we cannot stand any longer by reason of these things before thee.

91 And

And as Eſdras in his prayer made his confeſſion weeping, and lying flat vpon the ground before the Temple, there gathered vnto him from Jeruſalem very great multitude of men, and women and children: for there was great weeping among the multitude.

Then Iechonias the ſonne of Ieelus, one of the ſonnes of Iſrael called out, and ſaid, O Eſdras, wee haue ſinned againſt the Lord God, wee haue married ſtrange women of the nations of the land, and yet all Iſrael ſalueth.

Let vs make an oath to the Lord, that we will put away all our wiues which we haue taken of the Gen. with their children,

Like as thou haſt decreed, and as many as doe obey the Law of the Lord.

Ariſe, and put in execution: for to thee doth the matter appertaine, and we will be with thee: be valiantly.

So Eſdras arose, and tooke an oath of the chiefe of the Prieſts and Leuites of all † Iſrael, to doe after theſe things, and ſo they ſware.

CHAP. IX.

Eſdras aſſembleth all the people, to They put away the ſtrange wiues. 10 The names of them that diuſo. 40 The Law of Moſes and declared before all the people. 59 They weep. 67 are put in mind of the feaſt day.

Then Eſdras riſing from the court of the Temple went to the chamber of Ioanan the ſonne of Eliſib,

And remained there, and did eat no meat, nor drink water, mourning for the great iniquities of the multitude.

And there was a proclamation in all Iury, and Jeruſalem, to all them that were of the captiuity, that they ſhould bee gathered together at Ieruſalem:

And that whoſoeuer met not there within two or three dayes, according as the Elders that bare rule appointed, their cattell ſhould be ſeazed to the vſe of the Temple, and himſelfe caſt out from them that were of the captiuity.

And in three dayes were all they of the tribe of Iuda and Beniamin gathered together at Ieruſalem the twentith day of the ninthmoneth.

And all the multitude ſate trembling in the broad court of the Temple, becauſe of the preſent ſtormy weather.

So Eſdras roſe vp, and ſaid vnto them, Ye haue tranſgreſſed the Law in marrying ſtrange wiues, and ſo increaſe the ſins of Iſrael.

And now by confeſſing giue glory vnto the Lord God of our fathers,

And doe his will, and ſeparate your ſelues from the heathen of the land, and from the ſtrange wiues.

Then cryed the whole multitude, and ſaid with a loud voice: Like as thou haſt ſpoken, ſo will we doe.

But foraſmuch as the people are many, and it is a rainie weather ſo that we cannot ſtand without: and this is not a worke of a day, or two, ſeeing our ſins in theſe things is ſpread farre:

Therefore let the Rulers of the multitude ſtay, and let all them of our habitation that haue ſtrange wiues come at the time appointed,

And with them the Rulers and Iudges of euery place, till we turne away the wrath of the Lord from vs, for this matter.

Then Ionathan the ſonne of Azael, and Ezechias ſonne of Theocanus, accordingly tooke this matter vpon them: and Moſollam, and Leuis, and Sabbatheus helped them.

15 And they that were of the captiuity did according to all theſe things.

16 And Eſdras the Prieſt choſe vnto him the principall men of their families, all by name: and in the firſt day of the tenth moneth, they ſate together to examine the matter.

17 So their cauſe that held ſtrange wiues, was brought to an end in the firſt day of the firſt moneth.

18 And of the Prieſts that were come together, and had ſtrange wiues, there were found:

19 Of the ſons of Ieſus, the ſon of Iozedec, and his brethren, ‖ Magthelas, and Eleazar, and ‖ Ioribus, and ‖ Ioadanus.

20 And they gaue their hands to put away their wiues, and to offer † rams, to make reconcilement for their ‖ errours.

21 And of the ſons of Emmer, Ananias, and Zabdeus, and *a* Eanes, and *b* Sameins, and *c* Hierel, and *d* Azarias.

22 And of the ſons of *e* Phaiſur, Ellionas, Maſsias, Iſmael, and Nathanael, and *f* Ocidelas, and *g* Taſſas.

23 And of the Leuites: Iozabad and Somis, and *h* Colius, who was called *i* Calitas, and *k* Pathæus, and Iudas, and Ionas.

24 Of the holy Singers: *l* Eleazurus, Bacchurus.

25 Of the Porters, Sallumus, and *m* Tolbanes.

26 Of them of Iſrael, of the ſonnes of *n* Phoros, *o* Hiermas, and *p* Eddias, and Melchias, and *q* Maelus, and Eleazar, and *r* Aſibias, and Baanias.

27 Of the ſons of Ela, Matthanias, Zacharias, and *ſ* Hierielus, and Hierimoth, and *t* Aedias.

28 And of the ſonnes of *u* Zamoth, *x* Eliadas, *y* Eliſimus, *z* Othonias, Iarimoth and *a* Sabatus, and *b* Sardeus.

29 Of the ſons of Bebai, Iohannes and Ananias, and *c* Ioſabad, and *d* Amatheis.

30 Of the ſons of *e* Many, *f* Olamus, *g* Mamuchus, *h* Iedeus, Iaſubus, *i* Iaſael, and Hieremoth.

31 † And of the ſons of Addi, Naathus, and Moosias, Iacanus, and Naidus, and Mathanias, & Seſthel, Balanus and Manaſſeas.

32 And of the ſons of Annas, Eſdras, and Aſeas, and Milchias, and Sabbeus, and Simon Chotanæus.

33 And of the ſonnes of Aſom, *k* Altaneus, and *l* Matthias and *m* Bannaia, Eliphalat, and Manaſſes, and Semei.

34 And of the ſons of Maani, Ieremias, Momdis, Omarus, Iuel, Mabdai, and Pelias: And Anos, Carabaſion and Enaſibus, and Mammitanaimus, Eliaſis, Banuus, Eſdi, Samis, Selemias, Nathanias: and of the ſons of Ozora, Sesis, Esril, Azailus, Samatus Zambis, Ioſephas.

35 And of the ſons of Ethma, Mazitias, Zabadaias, Edes, Iuel, Banaias.

36 All theſe had taken ſtrange wiues, and they put them away with their children.

37 And the Prieſts, and Leuites, and they that were of Iſrael dwelt in Ieruſalem, and in the countrey, in the firſt day of the ſeuenth moneth: for the children of Iſrael were in their ‖ habitations.

38 * And the whole multitude came together with one accord, into the broad place of the holy porch toward the Eaſt.

39 And they ſpake vnto Eſdras the Prieſt, and reader, that he would bring the Law of Moſes, that was giuen of the Lord God of Iſrael.

40 So Eſdras the chiefe Prieſt, brought the Law vnto the whole multitude from man to woman, and

‖ *Maaſſias*
‖ *Iarib.*
‖ *Gedaliah*
† *Hebr.*
a Hanane
‖ *Or parti-*
cipation
a Harim
b Maaſiah
c Iehiel.
d Vzziah
e Paſhur.
f Iolabad.
g Elaſah.
h Kelaiah.
i Kelitah.
k Peſhahiah.
l Eliaſhib
m Telem.
n Pareſh.
o Ramiah
p Ieſiah.
q Miamin
r Malchuah.
ſ Iehiel.
t Abdi.
u Zatth.
x Eliœnai
y Eliaſhib
z Mattaniah.
a Sobad
b Aziza.
c Zabbai.
d Athlai.
e Bani.
f Maſſinallum.
g Mattuch
h Abiaſh
i Sheal.
† *Or the names in verſe 31.*
k Maaſiai.
l Mizeabiah.
m Zabad.
‖ *Mocadi-*
nes.
* Neh. 8.1.

to all the Priests to heare the Law in the first day of the seuenth moneth.

41 And he read in the broad court before the holy parch, from morning vnto mid day, before both men and women, and all the multitude gaue heede vnto the Law.

42 And Esdras the Priest, and Reader of the Law, stood vp vpon a Pulpit of wood, which was made for that purpose.

43 And there stood vp by him Mattathias, Sammus, Ananias, Azarias, Vrias, ‖ Ezecias, ‖ Balasamus vpon the right hand.

‖ Or, Hilkiah.

‖ Or, Maasiah.

‖ Or, Pedaiah.

‖ Or, Hasbum.

44 And vpon his left hand stood ‖ Phaldaius Misael, Melchias, Lothasubus, and ‖ Nabarias

45 Then tooke Esdras the booke of the Law, before the multitude: for he sate † honourably in the first place in the sight of them all.

† Heb. about them all.

46 And when he opened the Law, thy stood all straight vp: So Esdras blessed the Lord God most High, the God of hostes Almighty.

‖ See Neh. 8.4.

47 And all the people answered, Amen, and lifeing vp their hands, they fell to the ground, and worshiped the Lord.

48 Also Iesus, Anus, Sarabias, Adinus, Iaminus, Sabateus, ‖ Auteas, Matanees, and Calitas, Azarias and Iozabdus, and Ananias, Baias, the Leuites taught the Law of the Lord, making them vnderstand it.

49 ‖ Then spake Attharates vnto Esdras the chiefe Priest and Reader, and to the Leuites that taught the multitude euen to all sorts,

50 This day is holy vnto the Lord, for they all wepe when they heard the Law.

51 Goe then and eat the fat and drink the sweet, and send part ‖ to them that haue nothing.

52 For this day is holy vnto the Lord, and be not sorrowfull, for the Lord will fight for you.

53 So the Leuites published all things vnto the people saying, This day is holy vnto the Lord, be not sorrowfull.

54 Then went they their way, euery one to eat and drinke, and make merry, and to giue part to them that had nothing, and to make great cheere.

55 Because they vnderstood the words when they were instructed, and for the which they had beene assembled.

¶II. ESDRAS.

CHAP. I.

1 Esdras is commanded to reproue the people. 24 God threatneth to cast them off. 35. And to giue their houses to a people of more grace then they.

THE second Booke of the Prophet * Esdras the sonne of Sarajas the son of Azarias, the sonne of Helchias, the sonne of ‖ Sadamias, the sonne of Sadoe, the sonne of Achitob,

* Ezr. 7.1.

‖ Or, Shallum.

2 The sonne of Achias, the sonne of Phinees, the sonne of Heli, the sonne of Amarias, the sonne of Azrei, the sonne of Marimoth, the son of Arna, the sonne of Ozias, the sonne of Borith the sonne of Abisei the sonne of Phinees, the sonne of Eleazar,

3 The sonne of Aaron, of the tribe of Leui, which was captine in the land of the Medes, in the reigne of Artaxerxes King of the Persians.

4 * And the word of the Lord came vnto mee, saying,

* Esa. 58.1

5 Goe thy way, and shew my people their sinfull deeds, and their children their wickednesse which they haue done against me, that they may tell their childrens children,

6 Because the sins of their fathers are increased in them: for they haue forgotten me, and haue offered vnto strange Gods.

7 Am not I euen he that brought them out of the land of Egypt from the house of bondage? but they haue prouoked me vnto wrath, and despised my counsels.

8 Pull thou off then the haire of thine head, and cast all euill vpon them, for they haue not bin obedient vnto my Law, but it is a rebellious people.

9 How long shall I forbeare them vnto whom I haue done so much good?

10 * Many kings haue I destroyed for their sakes, Pharaoh with his seruants, and all his power haue I smitten downe.

* Exod. 14.28.

11 All the nations haue I destroyed before them: * and in the East I haue scattered the people of two prouinces, euen of Tyrus and Sydon, and haue slaine all their enemies.

* Numb. 21.24. Iosh. 8.12.

12 Speake thou therefore vnto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord,

13 I * led you through the sea, and in the beginning gaue you a large and safe ‖ passage, * I gaue you Moses for a leader, and Aaron for a Priest.

14 * I gaue you light in a pillar of fire, and great wonders haue I done among you, yet haue you forgotten me, saith the Lord

15 Thus saith the Almighty Lord, The quailes * were as a token for you, I gaue you tents for your safegard ‖ neuertheless you murmured there.

16 And triumphed not in my Name for the destruction of your enemies, but euer to this day yee yet murmure.

17 Where are the benefits that I haue done you? when you were hungry and thirsty in the wildernesse, * did you not cry vnto me?

18 Saying, Why hast thou brought vs into this wildernesse to kill vs? it had beene better for vs to haue serued the Egyptians, then to die in the wildernesse.

19 Then had I pitty vpon your mournings, and gaue you Manna to eat, so ye did eat Angels bread.

20 * When ye were thirsty, did I not cleaue the rocke, and waters flowed out ‖ to your fill? for the heat, I couered you with the leaues of the trees.

21 I diuided among you a fruitfull land, I cast out the Canaanites, the Perizzites, and the Philistines before you: * what shall I yet doe more for you, saith the Lord?

22 Thus saith the Almighty Lord, when ye were in the wildernesse, in the time of the ‖ Amorites being a thirst, and blaspheming my Name,

23 I gaue you not fire for your blasphemies, but cast a tree in the water, and made the sweet floods

24 What shall I doe vnto thee, O Iacob? thou * Iuda wouldest not obey me? I will turne me to other nations, and vnto those will I giue my Name, that they may keepe my statutes.

25 Seeing ye haue forsaken me, I will forsake you also: when ye desire me to be gracious vnto you, I shall haue no mercy vpon you.

26 * When soeuer you shall call vpon me, I will not heare you: for ye haue defiled your hands with blood, and your feet are swift to commit manslaughter,

Ye haue not as ye were forsaken me, but your
Elues, saith the Lord.
Thus saith the Almighty Lord, Haue I not
d you as a father his sonnes, as a mother her
ters, and a nurse her young babes,
That ye would be my people, I and I should
e God, that yee would be my children, and I
d be your Father?
I gathered you together, as a hen gathereth
chickens vnder her wings; but now what shall
e vnto you? I will cast you out from my

When you offer vnto me I will turne my face
y not for your solemne feast dayes, your new
ne and your Circumcisions haue I forsaken.
I sent vnto you my Seruants the Prophets,
m ye haue taken and slaine, and torne their bo-
in pieces, whose blood I will require of your
de saith the Lord.
Thus saith the Almighty Lord, Your house is
late, I will cast you out as the wind doth stubble.
And your children shall not be fruitfull; for
haue despised my Commandement, and done
thing that is euill before me.
Your houses will I giue to a people that shal
, which not hauing heard of mee, yet shall be-
ue: to whom I haue shewed no signes, yet they
ll doe that I haue commanded them.
They haue seene no Prophets, yet they shall
ll their sinnes to remembrance, and acknowledge
.
Take to witnesse the grace of the people to
, whose little ones reioyce in gladnesse: and
ugh they haue not seene mee with bodily eyes,
the spirit they beleeue the thing that I say.
And now brother, behold what glory and ioy
people that commeth from the East.
Vnto whom I will giue for leaders, Abraham,
ac and Iacob, Oseas, Amos, & Micheas, Ioel, Ab-
and Ionas;
Nahum, and Abacuc, Sophonias, Aggeus, Za-
ias and Malachi, which is called also an Angel
the Lord.

CHAP. II.

1 God complaineth of his people: 10 Yet Esdras
willed to conuert them. 34 Because they refuted,
Gentiles are called. 43 Esdras seeth the Son of
an, and those that are crowned by him.

Thus saith the Lord, I brought this people out
of bondage, and I gaue them my commande-
ents by my seruants the Prophets, whom they
uld not heare, but despised my counsels.
The mother that bare them, saith vnto them,
ke your way ye children, for I am a widow, and
sken.
I brought you vp with gladnesse, but with
row and heauinesse haue I left you: for ye haue
ned before the Lord your God and done that
ing that is euill before him.
But what shall I now doe vnto you? I am a
dow, and forsaken: goe your way, O my children
d aske mercy of the Lord.
After me, O Father, I call vpon thee for a
timonie ouer the mother of these children which
uld not keepe my Conenant,
That thou bring them to confusion, and their
ther to a spoyle, that there may be no off spring
them.
Let them be scattered abroad among the hea-
, let their names be put out of the earth: for
ey haue despised my ‖ Conenant.
‖ Woe be vnto thee, Assur thou that hidest the
vnrighteous in thee, O thou wicked people, re-
member * what I did vnto Sodome and Gomorrhe. * Gene.
9 Whose land lieth in clods of pitch and 19. 24.
heaps of ashes: euen so also will I doe vnto them
that heare me not, saith the Almighty Lord.
10 Thus saith the Lord vnto Esdras, Tel my peo-
ple, that I will giue them the kingdome of Ierusa-
lem, which I would haue giuen vnto Israel.
11 Their glory also will I take vnto me, and giue
these the euerlasting Tabernacles which I had pre-
pared for them.
12 They shall haue the tree of life for an oyne-
ment of sweete sauour, they shall neither labour
nor be weary.
13 Goe, and ye shall receiue: * pray for few dayes
vnto you, that they may be shortened, the kingdom
is already prepared for you: watch.
14 Take heauen and earth to witnesse, for I haue
broken the euill in pieces, and created the good,
for I liue, saith the Lord.
15 Mother, embrace thy children, and bring them
vp with gladnesse, make their feet as fast as a pillar [Or, bring
for I haue chosen thee, saith the Lord. them vp
16 And those that be dead will I raise vp againe with
from their places, & bring them out of the graues, gladnesse,
for I haue knowne my Name in Israel. as a dout;
17 Feare not thou mother of the children: for make
I haue chosen thee, saith the Lord. their feet
18 For thy helpe, I will send my seruants Esay fast. For,
and Ieremie, after whom counsell I haue sanctified &c.
and prepared for thee twelue trees, laden with di- ‖ Or thy
uers fruits; name, O
19 And as many fountaines flowing with milke Israel.
and honey, and seuen mighty mountaines, where-
upon there grow roses, and lillies, whereby I will
fill thy children with ioy.
20 Doe right to the widow, iudge for the fa-
therlesse, giue to the poore, defend the orphan
cloath the naked,
21 Heale the broken and the weake, laugh not a
lame man to scorne, defend the maimed, and let the
blind man come into the sight of my clearenesse.
22 Keepe the old and young within thy walls.
23 ‖ Wheresoeuer thou findest the dead † take them * Tob. 1.
and bury them, and I will giue thee the first place 18
in my resurrection. † Signing
24 Abide still, O my people, and take thy rest, for bury
thy quietnesse shall come. them.
25 Nourish thy children, O thou good nurse, sta-
blish their feete.
26 As for the seruants whom I haue giuen thee,
there shall not one of them perish: for I will re-
quire them from among thy number.
27 Be not weary: for when the day of trouble
and heauinesse commeth, others shall weepe, and be
sorrowfull: but thou shalt be merry and haue abun-
dance.
28 The heathen shall enuy thee, but they shall be
able to do nothing against thee, saith the Lord.
29 My hands shall couer thee, so that thy chil-
dren shall not see hell.
30 Reioyce, O thou mother with thy children:
for I will deliuer thee, saith the Lord
31 Remember thy children that sleepe: for I shall
bring them out of the sides of the earth, and shew
mercy vnto them: for I am mercifull, saith the
Lord Almighty.
32 Embrace thy children vntill I come and ‖ shew [Or,
mercy vnto them: for my welles run ouer, and my preach,
grace shall not faile.
33 I Esdras receiued charge of the Lord vpon
the mount Oreb, that I should goe vnto Israel but
when

when I came vnto them, they set me at nought, and despised the Commandement of the Lord.

34 And therefore I say vnto you, O ye heathen, that heare and vnderstand; looke for your sheepheard, he shall giue you euerlasting rest, for hee is nigh at hand that shall come in the end of ỹ world

35 Be ready to the reward of the Kingdome, for the euerlasting light shall shine vpon you for euermore.

36 Flee the shadow of this world, receiue the ioyfulnesse of your glory: I testifie my Sauiour openly.

37 O receiue the gift that is giuen you, and bee glad, giuing thankes to him that hath called you to the heauenly kingdome.

38 Arise vp and stand, behold the number of those that be sealed ‖in the feast of the Lord:

‖Or, for.

39 Which are departed from the shadow of the world and haue receiued glorious garments of the Lord.

40 Take thy number, O Zion, and †shut vp those of thine that are clothed in white, which haue fulfilled the Law of the Lord:

† Lat. conclude.

41 The number of thy children, whom thou longedst for, is fulfilled; beseech the power of the Lord that thy people which haue bin called from the beginning, may be hallowed.

42 * I Esdras saw vpon the mount Sion a great people whom I could not number, and they al praised the Lord with songs.

* Reu. 7. 9

43 And in the midst of them there was a young man of an high stature, taller then all the rest, and vpon euery one of their heads he set crownes, and was more exalted, which I marueiled at greatly.

44 So I asked the Angel, and said, ‖Sir, what are these?

‖Or, Lord

45 He answered and said vnto me, These be they that haue put off the mortall clothing, and put on the immortal, and haue confessed the Name of God now are they crowned, and receiue palmes.

46 Then said I vnto the Angel, What young person is it that crowneth them, and giueth them palmes in their hands?

47 So he answered, and said vnto mee, It is the Sonne of God, whom they haue confessed in the world. Then began I greatly to commend them that stood so stiffely for the Name of the Lord.

48 Then the Angel said vnto me, Goe thy way, and tell my people what manner of things, & how great wonders of the Lord thy God thou hast seen.

CHAP. III.

1 Esdras is troubled, 13 and acknowledgeth the sinnes of the people: 28 yet complaineth that the heathen were lords ouer them, being more wicked then they.

IN the thirtieth yeere, after the ruine of the city, I was in Babylon, and lay troubled vpon my bed, and my thoughtes came vp ouer my heart.

2 For I saw the desolation of Zion, and the wealth of them that dwelt at Babylon.

3 And my spirit was sore moued, so that I began to speak words full of feare, to ỹ most High, & said,

4 O Lord, who beareste rule, thou spakest at the beginning, when thou diddest plant the earth, (and that thy selfe alone) and commandedst the people,

5 * And gauest a body vnto Adam, without soule which was the workemanship of thine hands, and diddest breathe into him the breath of life, and he was made liuing before thee.

* Gen. 2. 7

6 And thou leddest him into Paradise, which thy right hand had planted, before euer the earth came forward.

7 And vnto him thou gauest commandement to loue thy way which he transgressed, and [illegible] ly thou appointedst death in him, and in [illegible] nerations, of whom came nations, tribes, p[illegible] and kinreds out of number.

8 * And euery people walked after [illegible] will, and did wonderfull things before the[illegible] despised thy Commandements.

9 * And againe, in processe of time there [illegible] test the flood vpon those that dwelt in the [illegible] and destroyedst them.

10 And it came to passe in euery of them, [illegible] death was to Adam, so was the flood to the[illegible]

11 Neuertheless, one of them thou leftest [illegible] ly, * Noah with his household, of whom [illegible] righteous men.

12 And it happened, that when they that [illegible] vpon the earth, began to multiplie and had [illegible] them many children, and were a great people [illegible] began againe to be more vngodly then the [illegible]

13 Now when they lined so wickedly before [illegible] * thou didst chuse thee a man from among [illegible] whose name was * Abraham.

14 Him thou louedst, and vnto him only [illegible] shewedst thy will.

15 And madest an euerlasting Couenant [illegible] him, promising him that thou wouldest neuer [illegible] sake his seed.

16 * And vnto him thou gauest Isaac, and [illegible] * Isaac also thou gauest Iacob and Esau. As [illegible] cob, thou * didst choose him to thee, and put [illegible] sau, and so Iacob became a great multitude.

17 And it came to passe, that when thou hadst [illegible] seed out of Egypt, * thou broughtest them vp [illegible] mount Sinai.

18 And bowing the heauens, thou diddest [illegible] the earth, moouedst the whole world, and [illegible] the depth to tremble, and troubledst the [illegible] that age.

19 And thy glory went through foure gates [illegible] fire, and of earthquake, and of wind and of [illegible] that thou mightest giue the Law vnto the [illegible] Iacob, & diligence vnto the generation of [illegible]

20 And yet tookest thou not away from [illegible] wicked heart, that thy Law might bring fruit [illegible] in them.

21 For the first Adam bearing a wicked [illegible] transgressed, and was ouercome, and so be all [illegible] that are borne of him.

22 Thus infirmity was made permanent; [illegible] Law (also) in the heart of the people, with [illegible] malignity of the roote, so that the good departed [illegible] away, and the euill abode still.

23 So the times passed away, and the yeeres [illegible] brought to an end: * then diddest thou raise [illegible] vp a seruant called Dauid.

24 * Whom thou commandedst to build a [illegible] vnto thy Name, and to offer incense and oblations [illegible] vnto thee therein.

25 When this was done many yeeres, then [illegible] that inhabited the city forsoke thee,

26 And in all things did euen as Adam and [illegible] his generations had done, for they also had a [illegible] ked heart.

27 And so thou gauest the citie ouer into [illegible] hands of thine enemies.

28 Are their deedes then any better that inhabit [illegible] Babylon, that they should therefore haue the dominion ouer Sion?

29 For when I came thither and had seene [illegible] eties without number, then my soule saw many [illegible] mill doers in this thirtieth yeere, so that my [illegible] failed me.

I haue seene how thou sufferest them sinand hast spared wicked doers: and hast dethy people, and hast preserued thine enehast not signified it.

doe not remember how this way may bee ethey then of Babylon better then they of

is there any other people that knoweth thee Israel? or what generation hath so beleeued enants as Iacob?

d yet their reward appeareth not, and their labour is fruitles: for I haue gone here and there the heathen, and I see that they flow in ndtake not vpon thy Commandements.

Weigh thou therefore our wickednesse now ballance, and theirs also that dwell in the and so shall thy Name no where be found Israel.

when was it, that they which dwell vpon habitation sinned in thy sight? or what peoso kept thy Commandements?

en shalt find that Israel by name hath kept ept: but not the heathen.

CHAP. IIII.

The Angel declareth the ignorance of Esdras in ingements, 13 and admoniseth him not to meddle things aboue his reach. 23 Neuertheless, hath diuers questions, and receiueth answers them.

the Angel that was sent vnto mee, whose me was Vriel, gaue me an answere,

d said, Thy heart hath gone too far in this and thinkest thou to comprehend the way of High?

en said I, Yea my Lord, and he answered me, d, I am sent to shew thee three wayes, and to three similitudes before thee:

Thereof, if thou canst declare me one, I will e also the way that thou desirest to see and shew thee from whence the wicked heart

d said, Tell on my Lord. Then said hee , Go thy way, weigh me the weight of the e, measure me the blast of the wind, or call me the day that is past.

en answered I, and said, What man is able to this that thou shouldest aske such things of me? d he said vnto me, If I should aske thee how ellings are in the midst of the Sea, or how ings are in the beginning of the deepe, or springs are aboue the firmament, or which outgoings of Paradise?

adventure thou wouldest say vnto me, I ne- went downe into the deepe, nor as yet into hell, did I ever climbe vp into heauen.

nevertheless, now haue I asked thee but onely ire and wind, and of the day where through ou passed, and of things from which thou not beseparated, and yet canst thou giue mee ere of them.

hee said moreouer vnto me, Thine owne and such as are growne vp with thee, canst t know.

how should thy vessell then bee able to comd the way of the Highest, and the world being outwardly corrupted, to vnderstand the ption that is enident in my sight?

Then said I vnto him, It were better that wee not at all, then that we should liue still in wicand to suffer and not to know wherefore.

e answered me and said, I went into a forest plaine, and the * trees tooke counsell,

14 And said, Come, let vs goe and make war against the Sea, that it may depart away before vs, and that we may make vs more woods.

15 The floods of the Sea also in like maner tooke counsell, and said, Come, let vs goe vp and subdue the woods of the plaine, that there also we may make vs another countrey.

16 The thought of the wood was in vaine, for the fire came and consumed it.

17 The thought of the floods of the Sea came likewise to nought, for the sand stood vp and stopped them.

18 If thou wert iudge now betwixt these two, whom wouldest thou begin to iustifie, or whom wouldest thou condemne?

19 I answered and said, Verely it is a foolish thought that they both haue deuised; for the ‖ ground is giuen vnto the wood, and the Sea also hath his place to beare his ‖ floods. ‖ Or, the land.

20 Then answered he me, and said, Thou hast giuen a right iudgement, but why iudgest thou not ‖ Or, maist. thy selfe also?

21 For like as ‖ the ground is giuen vnto the wood, and the Sea to his floods: euen so * they that ‖ The land dwell vpon the earth may vnderstand nothing, but * Isa.55.8 that which is vpon the earth: and he that dwelleth 9. Iohn 3. aboue the heauens, may only vnderstand the things 31.1.Cor.2,13. that are aboue the height of the heauens.

22 Then answered I, and said, I beseech thee, O Lord let me haue vnderstanding.

23 For it was not my mind to bee curious of the high things, but of such as passe by vs daily, namely, wherefore Israel is giuen vp as a reproach to the heathen: and for what cause the people whom thou hast loued, is giuen ouer vnto vngodly nations, and why the law of our forefathers is brought to naught, and the written Couenants come to ‖ none effect. ‖ Or, no more.

24 And we passe away out of the world as grasshoppers, and our life is astonishment and feare, and we are not worthy to obtaine mercy.

25 What will he then doe vnto his Name whereby we are called? of these things I haue asked.

26 Then answered he mee, and said, The more thou searchest, the more thou shalt maruell, for the world hasteth fast to passe away,

27 And cannot comprehend the things that are promised to the righteous in time to come: for this world is full of vnrighteousnesse and infirmities.

28 But as concerning the things whereof thou askest me, I will tell thee: for the euill is sowen, but the destruction thereof is not yet come.

29 If therefore that which is sowen, bee not turned vpside downe, and if the place where the euill is sowen, passe not away, then cannot it come that is sowen with good.

30 For the graine of euill seed hath beene sowen in the heart of Adam from the beginning, and how much vngodlinesse hath it brought vp vnto this time? and how much shall it yet bring forth vntill the ‖ time of the thrashing come? ‖ Or, sowing.

31 Ponder now by thy selfe, how great fruit of wickednesse the graine of euill seed hath brought forth.

32 And when the eares shall be cut down, which are without number, how great a floore shall they fill?

33 Then I answered, and said, How, and when shall these things come to passe? wherefore are our yeeres few and euill?

34 And hee answered me, saying, Doe not thou hasten aboue the most Highest: for thy haste is in vaine to bee aboue him, for thou hast much exceeded,

35 Did

35 Did not the foules also of the righteous aske question of these things in their chambers, saying, How long shall I hope on this fashion? when commeth the fruit of the floore of our reward?

For, Jeremiah. 36 And vnto these things ‖ Vriel the Archangel gaue them answere, and said, euen when the number of seeds is filled in you: for hee hath weighed the world in the ballance.

37 By measure hath he measured the times, and by number hath hee numbred the times, and he doeth not moue nor, stirre them, vntill the said measure be fulfilled.

38 Then answered I, and said, O Lord, that bearest rule, euen we all are full of impiety.

39 And for our sakes peraduenture it is that the floores of the righteous are not filled, because of the sinnes of them that dwell vpon the earth.

40 So he answered me, and said, Goe thy way to a woman with child, and aske of her, when she hath fulfilled her nine moneths? if her wombe may keepe the birth any longer within her?

41 Then said I, No, Lord that can she not. And he said vnto me, in the graue, the chambers of soules are like the wombe of a woman:

42 For like as a woman that trauaileth maketh haste to escape the necessity of her trauaile: euen so doe these places haste to deliuer those things that are committed vnto them.

43 From the beginning looke what thou desirest to see, it shall be shewed thee.

44 Then answered I, and said, If I haue found fauour in thy sight, and if it be possible, and if I be meet therefore:

45 Shew me then whether there be more to come then is past, or more past then is to come.

46 What is past I know; but what is for to come I know not.

47 And he said vnto me, Stand vp vpon the right side, and I shall expound the similitude vnto you.

48 So I stood and saw, and behold, an hot burning ouen passed by before mee: and it happened, that when the flame was gone by, I looked, and behold, the smoake remained still.

49 After this, there passed by before me, a watery cloud, and sent downe much raine with a storme, and when the stormy raine was past, the drops remained still.

50 Then said he vnto me, Consider with thy selfe as the raine is more then the drops, and as the fire is greater then the smoake: but the drops and the smoake remaine behind: so the ‖ quantity which is past, did more exceed.

‖Or, measure.

51 Then I prayed, and said, May I liue, thinkest thou vntill that time? ‖ or what shall happen in those dayes?

‖Or, what shall manscript

52 Hee answered me, and said, As for the tokens whereof thou askest me, I may tell thee of them in part; but as touching thy life, I am not sent to shew thee, for I doe not know it.

CHAP. V.

2 Tim. 3 1 th.

1 The signes of the times to come, 23 Hee asketh why God chusing but one people, did cast them off. 30 Hee is taught that Gods iudgements are vnsearchable, 46 and that God doth not all at once.

‖Shalbe found with great wealth. *Matt. 24. 12.

1 Verthelesse, as concerning the tokens behold, the daies shall come, that they which dwell vpon the earth, ‖ shall be taken in a great number, and the way of truth shall be hidden, and the land shalbe barren of faith.

2 But * iniquitie shall bee increased aboue that which now thou seest, or that thou hast heard long ago.

3 And the land ‖ that thou seest now to rule, shalt thou see wasted suddenly.

4 But if the most High grant thee to liue, shalt see after the third trumpet, that the Sun suddenly shine againe in the night, and the M thrice in the day.

5 And blood shall drop out of wood, a stone shall giue his voyce, and the people shall troubled.

6 And euen he shall rule, whom they look for that dwell vpon the earth, and the fowles take their flight away together.

7 And the Sodomitish Sea shall cast out make a noyse in the night, which many knowne: but they shall all hearke his voyce.

8 There shall be a confusion also in many and the fire shall be oft sent out againe, wild beasts shall change their places, and struous women shall bring forth monsters.

9 And salt waters shall be found in the sweet all friends shall destroy one another: then hide it selfe, and vnderstanding withdraw into his secret chamber,

10 And shall be sought of many, and yet found: then shall vnrighteousnesse and incontinency be multiplyed vpon earth.

11 One land also shall aske another, and righteousnesse that maketh a man righteous through thee? and it shall say, No.

12 At the same time shall men hope, but obtaine: they shall labour, but their waies not ‖ prosper.

13 To shew thee such tokens I haue leaue thou wilt pray againe, and weepe as now, seuen dayes, thou shalt heare yet greater then

14 Then I awaked, and an exceeding fearfu went through all my body, and my mi troubled, so that it fainted.

15 So the Angel that was come to talke me, held me, comforted me, and set me vp feet.

16 And in the second night it came to pas Salathiel the captaine of the people came v saying, Where hast thou been? and why countenance so heauy?

17 Knowest thou not that Israel is com vnto thee in the land of their captiuity.

18 Vp then, and eat bread, and forsake the shepheard that leaueth his flocke in the of cruell wolues.

19 Then said I vnto him, Goe thy way me, and come not nigh me: And hee heard said, and went from me.

20 And so I fasted seuen dayes, mourni weeping, like as Vriel the Angel commande

21 And after seuen dayes, that was ‖ that of my heart were very grieuous vnto me again

22 And my soule recouered the Spirit of standing, and I began to talke with the most again.

23 And said, O Lord that hearest rule of wood of thee vtterly, and of all the trees thereof hast chosen thee one onely vine:

24 And of all lands of the whole world that chosen thee one pit: and of all the flowers th one Lilly.

25 And of all the depths of the sea, thou hast thee one riuer: and of all builded cities, hast hallowed Sion vnto thy selfe.

26 And of all the fowles that are created, thou named thee one doue: and of all the cattell th made, thou hast prouided thee one sheepe.

27

nd among all the multitudes of peoples, ſt gotten thee one people: and vnto this whom thou louedſt, thou ganeſt a Law that ard of all.

nd now, O Lord, why haſt thou giuen this ple ouer vnto many? and vpon the one ſt thou prepared others, and why haſt thou d thy onely one people among many?

nd they which did gaine-ſay thy promiſes, eued not thy couenants, haue troden them

f thou diddeſt ſo much hate thy people, yet ch thou puniſh them with thine owne hands.

ow when I had ſpoken theſe words, ℣ Angel me to me the night afore, was ſent vnto me, nd ſaid vnto me, Heare mee, and I will in- thee: hearken to the thing that I ſay, and I ll thee more.

nd I ſaid, Speake on my Lord, Then ſaid he , Thou art ſore troubled in minde for Iſra- loueſt thou that people better then hee de them?

nd I ſaid, No Lord, but of very griefe haue : for my reines paine me euery houre, while e to comprehend the way of the moſt High, ſeeke out part of his iudgement.

nd he ſaid vnto me, Thou canſt not: and I Wherefore Lord? whereunto was I born then? y was not my mothers wombe then my graue, might not haue ſeene the trauell of Iacob, wearyſome toyle of the ſtocke of Iſrael?

And he ſaid vnto me; Number me the things are not yet come, gather me together the drops are ſcattered abroad, make mee the flowres againe that are withered.

Open me the places that are cloſed, and bring th the winds that in them are ſhut vp, ſhew image of a voyce, and then I will declare to thing that thou laboureſt to know.

And I ſaid, O Lord that beareſt rule, who may ow theſe things, but hee that hath not his dwel- with men?

As for me, I am vnwiſe how may I then ſpeak theſe things whereof thou aſkeſt me?

Then ſaid he vnto me, Like as thou canſt doe of theſe things that I haue ſpoken of, euen ſo thou not find out my iudgement, or in the end e that I haue promiſed vnto my people.

And I ſaid, Behold, O Lord, yet art thou nigh them that be reſerued till the end, and what they doe that haue beene before mee, or wee be now) or they that ſhall come after vs?

And he ſaid vnto me, I will liken my iudge- vnto a ring: like as there is no ſlackeneſſe of ſh, euen ſo there is no ſwiftneſſe of the firſt.

So I anſwered, and ſaid, Couldeſt thou not thoſe that haue been made, and be now, and are for to come, at once, that thou mighteſt thy iudgement the ſooner?

Then answered he me, and ſaid; The creature ot haſte aboue the Maker, neither may the ld hold them at once ℣ ſhalbe created therein- And I ſaid, as thou haſt ſaid vnto thy ſeruant, thou which gineſt life vnto all haſt giuen life e to the creature that thou haſt created, & the ure hare it: euen ſo it might now alſo beare that now be preſent at once.

And he ſaid vnto mee, Aſke the wombe of a an, and ſay vnto her, If thou bringeſt foorth ren, why doeſt thou it not together, but one af- another? pray her therefore to bring foorth ten from at once.

47 And I ſaid, Shee cannot: but muſt doe it by diſtance of time.

48 Then ſaid he vnto me, Euen ſo haue I giuen the wombe of the earth to thoſe that bee ſowen in it, in their times.

49 For like as a young child may not bring forth the things that belong to the aged, euen ſo haue I diſpoſed the world which I created.

50 And I aſked, and ſaid, Seeing thou haſt now giuen me the way, I will *proceed to* ſpeake before thee: for our mother, of whom thou haſt told mee, that ſhe is yong, draweth now nigh vnto age.

51 He anſwered me, and ſaid; Aſke a woman that beareth children, and ſhe ſhall tell thee.

52 Say vnto her, Wherefore are not they whom thou haſt now brought foorth, like thoſe that were before, but leſſe of ſtature?

53 And ſhe ſhall anſwere thee, They that be born in the ſtrength of youth, are of one faſhion, and they that are borne in the time of age, (when the wombe faileth) are otherwiſe.

54 Conſider thou therefore alſo, how that ye are leſſe of ſtature then thoſe that were before you.

55 And ſo are they that come after you, leſſe then ye, as the creatures which now begin to be old, and haue paſſed ouer the ſtrength of youth.

56 Then ſaid I, Lord, I beſeech thee, if I haue found fauour in thy ſight, ſhew thy ſeruant by whom thou viſiteſt thy creature.

CHAP. VI.

1 *Gods purpoſe is eternall.* 3 *The next world ſhall follow this immediately.* 13 *What ſhall fall out at the laſt.* 31 *He is promiſed more knowledge,* 58 *and reckoneth vp the workes of the creation:* 57 *and complaineth that they haue no part in the world for whom it was made.*

AND he ſaid vnto me, In the beginning when the earth was made, before the borders of the world ſtood, or euer the winds blew, [Or, circle of the earth.

2 Before it thundered and lightened, or euer the foundations of Paradiſe were laid,

3 Before the faire flowers were ſeene, or euer the moueable powers were eſtabliſhed, before the innumerable multitude of Angels were gathered together,

4 Or euer the heights of the ayre were liſted vp before the meaſures of the firmament were named, or euer the chimnies in Sion were hot,

5 And ere the preſent yeeres were ſought out, and or ewer the inuentions of them that now ſinne, were turned, before they were ſealed that haue gathered faith for a treaſure:

6 Then did I conſider theſe things, and they all were made through mee alone, and through none other: by me alſo they ſhall be ended, and by none other.

7 Then anſwered I, and ſaid, What ſhall be the partition ſunder of the times? or when ſhalbe ℣ end of the firſt, and the beginning of it that followeth?

8 And hee ſaid vnto mee, From Abraham vnto Iſaac when Iacob and Eſau were borne of him, * Iacobs hand held ‖ firſt the heele of Eſau. * Genes. 25.26. ‖ Or, from the beginning.

9 For Eſau is the end of the world, and Iacob is the beginning of it that followeth.

10 The hand of man is betwixt the heele and the hand: other queſtion, Eſdras, aſke thou not.

11 ¶ I anſwered then, and ſaid, O Lord, that beareſt rule, if I haue found fauour in thy ſight,

12 I beſeech thee, ſhew thy ſeruant the end of thy tokens, whereof thou ſhewedſt mee part the laſt night.

13 So he anſwered, and ſaid vnto mee, Stand vp vpon

vpon thy feet, and heare a mighty sounding voyce.

14 And it shalbe as it were a great ‖ motion, but the place where thou standest shall not be moued. ‖ Or, earthquake.

15 And therefore when it speaketh, be not afraid: for the word is of the end, and the foundation of the earth is vnderstood.

16 And why? because the speech of these things trembleth, and is moued: for it knoweth that the end of these things must be changed.

17 And it happened that when I had heard it, I stood vp vpon my feet, and hearkened, and beheld, there was a voyce that spake, and the sound of it was like the sound of many waters.

18 And it said, Behold, the dayes come, that I will begin to draw nigh, and to visit them that dwell vpon the earth.

19 And will begin to make inquisition of them what they be that haue hurt vniustly with their vnrighteousnesse, and when the affliction of Sion shall be fulfilled.

20 And when the world that shall begin to vanish ‖ For, stealed away, shalbe ‖ finished then will I shew these tokens, the bookes shall be opened before the firmament, and they shall see altogether.

21 And the children of a yeere old shall speake with their voyces, the women with child shall bring forth vntimely children of three or foure monethis old: and they shall liue and be raised vp.

22 And suddenly shall the sowen places appeare vnsowne, the full store-houses shall suddenly bee found empty.

23 And the trumpet shall giue a sound, which when euery man heareth, they shall be suddenly afraid.

24 At that time shall friends fight one against another like enemies, and the earth shall stand in feare with those that dwell therein; the springs of the fountaines shall stand still, and in three houres they shall not runne.

25 Whosoeuer remaineth from all these that I haue told thee, shall escape, and see my saluation, and the end of your world.

26 And the men that are receiued, shall see it, who haue not tasted death from their birth: and the hearts of the inhabitants shall be changed, and turned into another meaning.

27 For euill shall be put out, and deceit shall be quenched.

28 As for faith, it shall flourish, corruption shall be ouercome, and the trueth which hath bin so long without fruit, shall be declared.

29 And when he talked with me, behold, I looked by little and little vpon him before whom I stood.

30 And these words said he vnto me, I am come to shew thee the time of the night to come.

31 If thou wilt pray yet more, and fast seuen daies ‖ See chap 13. verse 32 againe, I shall tell thee greater things ‖ by day then I haue heard.

32 For thy voyce is heard before the most High: for the mighty hath seene thy righteous dealing, he hath also seene thy chastity, which thou hast had euer since thy youth.

33 And therefore hath he sent me to shew thee all these things, and to say vnto thee; Bee of good comfort and feare not.

34 And hasten not with the times that are past, to thinke vaine things, that thou mayst not hasten from the latter times.

35 And it came to passe after this, that I wept againe, and fasted seuen dayes in like manner, that I might fulfill the three weekes, which he told me.

36 And in the eight night was my heart vexed within me againe, and I began to speake before the most High.

37 For my spirit was greatly set on fire, and my soule was in distresse.

38 And I said, O Lord, thou spakest from the beginning of the creation, euen the first day, and saidest thus, "Let heauen and earth be made, and thy word was a perfect worke.

39 And then was the spirit and darkenesse and silence were on euery side: the sound of a voyce was not yet formed.

40 Then commandedst thou a fore light to be set fourth of thy treasures, that thy worke might appeare.

41 Vpon the second day, thou madest the spirit of the firmament, and commandedst it to diuide and sunder, and to make a diuision betweene the waters, that the one part might goe vp, and the other remaine beneath.

42 Vpon the third day, thou didst command that the waters should be gathered in the seuenth part of the earth; six parts hast thou dried vp and kept them, to the intent that of these some being planted of God, and tilled might seruice thee.

43 For assoone as thy word went forth the worke was made.

44 For immediately there was great and innumerable fruit, and many and diuers pleasures for the taste, and flowers of vnchangeable colours, and odours of wonderfull smelling sauours were made the third day.

45 "Vpon the fourth day thou commandedst that the Sun should shine, and the Moone giue her light, and the Starres their order, and charge to serue mankind, which was to be made.

46 And grauedst them a charge to doe "vnto man that was to be made.

47 Vpon the fifth day thou saidst vnto the seuenth part, where the waters were gathered, that it should bring forth liuing creatures, fowles and fishes: and so it came to passe.

48 For the dumbe waters & without life brought forth liuing things at the commandement of God, that all people might praise thy wonderous workes.

49 Then didst ‖ ordaine two liuing creatures, the one ‖ called Enoch, and the other Leui.

50 And didst separate the one from the other: for the seuenth part (namely where the waters were gathered together) might not hold them both.

51 Vnto Enoch gauest one part, which was dryed vp the third day, that he should dwell in the same part, whereon are all kinde of hils.

52 But vnto Leui thou gauest the great part, namely the moyst: and hast kept it with thy selfe, noured of whom thou wilt, and when.

53 Vpon the sixt day thou gauest commandement vnto the earth, that before thee it should bring forth fourth beasts, cattell, and creeping things, &c.

54 And after these, Adam the first man, whom thou dest lord ouer all thy creatures, that came of him, and the people also whom thou hast chosen.

55 All this haue I spoken before thee, O Lord, because thou madest the world for our sake.

56 As for the other people, which also came of Adam, thou hast said, that they are nothing, and are like vnto spittle, and hast likened the abundance of them vnto a drop that falleth from a vessell.

57 And now, O Lord, behold these heathen, which haue euer bin reputed as nothing, haue begun to be lords ouer vs, and to deuour vs:

58 But we thy people (whom thou hast called thy first borne, thy onely begotten, and thy feruent one,) are giuen into their hands,

If the world now be made for our sakes, why we not possesse an inheritance with the world? how long shall this endure?

CHAP. VII.

The way is narrow: 12 When it was made new. 28 All shall die and rise againe. 33 Christ sit in iudgement. 46 God hath not made Pain in vaine, 62 and is mercifull.

Nd when I had made an end of speaking these words, there was sent vnto mee the Angel which had beene sent vnto me the nights afore.

And he said vnto me, Vp Esdras, and heare the wordes that I am come to tell thee.

And I said, Speake on, my God. Then said hee vnto me, The Sea is set in a wide place, that it might be deepe and great.

But put the case, the entrance were narrow, and like a riuer,

Who then could goe into the Sea to looke vpon it, and to rule it? if hee went not thorow the narrow, how could he come into the broad?

There is also another thing. A city is builded and set vpon a broad field, and is full of all good things.

The entrance thereof is narrow, and is set in a perilous place to fall, like as if there were a fire on the right hand, and on the left a deepe water.

And one only path betweene them both, euen betweene the fire and the water, *so small* that there could but one man goe there at once.

If this city now were giuen vnto a man for an inheritance; if hee neuer shall passe the danger set before it, how shall he receiue this inheritance?

And I said, It is so, Lord. Then said he vnto me, Euen so also is Israels portion:

Because for their sakes, I made the world: and when Adam transgressed my Statutes, then was decreed what now is done.

Then were the entrances of this world made not full of sorrow and trauell, they are but few and full of perils, and very painefull.

For the entrances of the felder world were large and sure, and brought immortall fruit.

If then they that liue, labour not to enter these filthy and vaine things, they can neuer receiue those that are laid vp for them.

Now therefore, why disquietest thou thy selfe, seeing thou art but a corruptible man? and why art thou troubled, whereas thou art but mortall?

Why hast thou not considered in thy mind, the thing that is to come, rather then that which is now?

Then answered I, and said, O Lord, that hearest thou hast ordained in thy * Law, that the righteous should inherit these things, but that the vngodly should perish.

Nevertheless, the righteous shall suffer straite things, and hope for wide: for they that haue done vngodly, haue suffered the strait things, and yet shall not see the wide.

And he said vnto me, There is no iudge aboue God, and none that hath vnderstanding aboue the Most.

For there be many that perish in this life, because they despise the Law of God, that is set before them.

For God hath giuen strait commandement to him that came, what they should doe to liue, euen as they came, and what they should obserue to auoid punishment.

Nevertheless they were not obedient vnto him, but spake against him, & imagined vain things,

23 And deceiued themselues by their wicked deeds, and said of the most High, that he is not, and knew not his wayes.

24 But his Law haue they despised, and denied his Couenants; in his Statutes haue they not beene faithfull, and haue not performed his workes.

25 And therefore Esdras, for the empty are empty things, and for the full are the full things.

26 Behold, the time shall come, that these tokens which I haue told thee, shall come to passe, and the bride shall appeare, and the comming forth, shall be seene, that now is withdrawne from the earth.

27 And whosoeuer is deliuered from the foresaid euils, shall see my wonders.

28 For my sonne Iesus shall be reuealed, with those that be with him, and they that remaine, shall reioyce within foure hundred yeeres.

29 After these yeeres shall my Sonne Christ die, and all men that haue life.

30 And the world shall be turned into the olde silence, seuen dayes, like as in the ‖ former iudgements: so that no man shall remaine. ‖ Or, first beginning

31 And after seuen dayes, the world that yet awaketh not, shall be raised vp, and that shall die that is corrupt.

32 And the earth shall restore those that are asleepe in her, and so shall the dust those that dwell in silence, and the secret places shall deliuer those soules that were committed vnto them.

33 And the most High shall appeare vpon the seat of iudgement, and misery shall passe away, and the long suffering shall haue an end.

34 But iudgment only shall remaine, truth shall stand, and faith shall waxe strong.

35 And the worke shall follow, and the reward shall be shewed, and the good deedes shall bee of force, and wicked deeds shall beare no rule.

36 Then said I, * Abraham prayed first for the Sodomites, and * Moses for the fathers that sinned in the wildernesse.

37 And Iesus after him for Israel in the time of ‖ Achan.

38 And Samuel; and Dauid for the destruction, and * Solomon for them that should come to the Sanctuary.

39 And * Helias for those that receiued raine, and for the dead that he might liue.

40 And * Ezekias for the people in the time of Sannacherib: and many for many.

41 Euen so now seeing corruption is growne vp, and wickednesse increased, and the righteous haue prayed for the vngodly: wherefore shall it not bee so now also?

42 He answered me, and said, This present life is not the end where much glory doth abide, therefore haue they prayed for the weake.

43 But the day of doome shall be the end of this time, and the beginning of the immortality for to come, wherein corruption is past.

44 Intemperancy is at an end infidelity is cut off righteousnesse is growne, and truth is sprung vp.

45 Then shall no man be able to saue him that is destroyed, nor to oppresse him that hath gotten the victory.

46 I answered then and said This is my first and last saying, That it had beene better not to haue giuen the earth vnto Adam, or else when it was giuen him, to haue restrained him from sinning.

47 For what profit is it for men now in this present time to liue in heauinesse, and after death to looke for punishment?

48 O thou Adam, what hast thou done? for though

*Rom. 3.23. it was *thou that sinned, thou art not fallen alone, but we all that come of thee.

49 For what profit is it vnto vs, if there be promised vs an immortall time, whereas we haue done the workes that bring death?

50 And that there is promised vs an euerlasting hope, whereas our selues being most wicked, are made vaine?

51 And that there are laid vp, for vs dwellings of health & safety, whereas we haue liued wickedly?

‖Or, a chaste life. 52 And that the glory of the most High is kept to defend them which haue led ‖ a wary life, whereas we haue walked in the most wicked wayes of all.

‖ Or, holinesse. 53 And that there should be shewed a Paradise, whose fruit endureth for euer, wherein is ‖ security and medicine, sith we shall not enter into it?

54 For we haue walked in vnpleasant places.

55 And that the faces of them which haue vsed abstinence shall shine aboue the Stars, whereas our faces shall be blacker then darkenesse?

56 For while we liued and committed iniquity, we considered not that we should begin to suffer for it after death.

‖Or, intent. 57 Then answered he me, and said. This is the ‖ condition of the battell, which man that is borne vpon the earth, shall fight,

58 That if he ouercome, he shall suffer as thou hast said, but if he get the victory, he shall receiue the thing that I say.

59 For this is the life whereof Moses spake vnto the people while he liued, saying, *Chuse thee life that thou mayest liue.

* Deut. 30.19.

60 Neuerthelesse they beleeued not him, nor yet the Prophets after him, no nor me which haue spoken vnto them,

61 That there should not be such heauinesse in their destruction, as shall be ioy ouer them that are perswaded to saluation.

62 I answered then, and said, I know Lord that the most High is called mercifull, in that he hath mercy vpon them which are not yet come into the world.

63 And vpon those also that turne to his Law.

* Rom. 2.4. 64 And that *hee is patient, and long suffereth those that haue sinned as his creatures,

65 And that he is bountifull, for he is ready to giue where it needeth,

66 And that he is of great mercy, for he multiplieth more and more mercies to them that are present, and that are past, and also to them which are to come.

67 For if he shall not multiply his mercies, the world would not continue with them that inherite therein.

68 And he pardoneth; for if he did not so of his goodnesse, that they which haue committed iniquities, might be eased of them, the ten thousand part of men should not remaine liuing.

‖Or, created. 69 And being iudge, if hee should not forgiue them that are ‖ cured with his word, and put out the multitude of ‖ contentions;

‖Or, consumptis. 70 There should be very few left peraduenture in an innumerable multitude.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Many created but few saued. 6 He aketh why God destroyeth his owne work. 26 and prayeth God to looke vpon the people which onely serue him. 41 God answereth that all seed commeth not to good, 52 and that glory is prepared for him, and such like.

AND he answered mee, saying, The most High hath made this world for many, but the world to come for few.

2 I will tell thee a similitude, Esdras, As when thou askest the earth, it shall say vnto thee, that it giueth much mould whereof earthen vessels are made, but little dust that gold commeth of: euen so is the course of this present world.

3 * There be many created but few shalbe saued.

4 So answered I, and said. Swallow then downe, O my soule, vnderstanding, and denoure wisedome.

5 For thou hast agreed to giue eare, and art willing to prophesie: for thou hast no longer space then onely to liue.

6 O Lord, if thou suffer not thy seruant, that we may pray before thee, and thou ‖ giue vs seed vnto our heart, and culture to our vnderstanding, that there may come fruit of it, how shall each man liue that is corrupt, who beareth the place of a man?

7 For thou art alone, and we all one workmanship of thine hands, like as thou hast said.

8 For when the body is fashioned now in the mothers wombe, and thou giuest it members, I thy creature is preserued in fire and water, and nine moneths doth thy workemanship endure thy creature which is created in her.

9 But that which keepeth, and is kept shall both be preserued: and when ‖ time commeth, the wombe preserued deliuereth vp the things that grew in it.

10 For thou hast commanded out of the parts of the body, that is to say, out of the breasts, milke to be giuen, which is the fruit of the breasts.

11 That ‖ thing which is fashioned may be nourished for a time till thou dispossest it to thy mercy.

12 Thou broughtest it vp with thy righteousnesse, and nurturedst it in thy Law, and reformedst it with thy iudgement.

13 And thou shalt mortifie it as thy creature, and quicken it as thy worke.

14 If therefore thou shalt destroy him which was so great * labour was fashioned, it is an easie thing to bee ordained by thy commandement, that the thing which was made might be preserued.

15 Now therefore Lord, I will speake (touching man in generall, thou knowest best) but touching thy people, for whose sake I am sorry,

16 And for thine inheritance, for whose sake I mourne, and for Israel for whom I am heauy, and for Iacob, for whose sake I am troubled:

17 Therefore will I begin to pray before thee for my selfe and for them: for I see the falls of vs that dwell in the land.

18 But I haue heard the swiftnesse of the Iudge that is to come.

19 Therefore heare my voyce and vnderstand my words, and I shall speake before thee: this is the beginning of the words of Esdras, before he was taken vp: and I said;

20 O Lord, thou that dwellest in euerlasting nesse, which beholdest from aboue, things in heauen and in the ayre;

21 Whose throne is inestimable, whose glory may not be comprehended, before whom the hosts of Angels stand with trembling,

22 (Whose seruice is consumed in wind & fire, whose word is true, and sayings constant, whose commandement is strong, and ordinance fearefull,

23 Whose looke dryeth vp the depths, and indignation maketh the mountaines to melt away, which the truth witnesseth:

24 O heare the prayer of thy seruant, and giue eare to the petition of thy creature.

25 For while I liue, I will speake, and so long as I haue vnderstanding, I will answere.

26 O looke not vpon the sinnes of thy people, but on them which serue thee in truth.

27 Regard

37 Regard not the wicked inuentions of the heathen: but the desire of those that keepe thy Testimonies in afflictions.

38 Thinke not vpon those that haue walked faithfully before thee: but remember them which according to thy will haue knowne thy feare.

39 Let it not be thy will to destroy them which haue liued like beasts: but to looke vpon them which haue clearely taught thy Law.

40 Take thou no indignation at them which are named worse then beasts: but loue them that alwayes put their trust in thy righteousnes and glory.

41 For we and our fathers | doe languish of such sinnes, but because of vs sinners thou shalt be called mercifull.

42 For if thou | hast a desire to haue mercy vpon vs, thou shalt be called mercifull, to vs namely, that haue no workes of righteousnesse.

43 For the iust which haue many good workes laid vp with thee, shall out of their owne deeds receiue reward.

44 For what is man that thou shouldest take displeasure at him? or what is a corruptible generation, that thou shouldest be so bitter toward it?

45 * For in trueth there is no man among them that is borne, but he hath dealt wickedly, and among the faithfull, there is none which hath not done amisse.

46 For in this, O Lord, thy righteousnesse, and goodnesse shall bee declared, if thou be merciful vnto them, which haue not the | confidence of good workes.

47 Then answered he me, and said. Some things hast thou spoken a right, and according vnto thy words it shall be.

48 For indeed I will not thinke on the disposition of them which haue sinned before death, before iudgement, before destruction.

49 But * I will reioyce ouer the desposition of the righteous, and I will remember also their pilgrimage, and the saluation, and the reward that they shall haue.

50 Like as I haue spoken now, so shall it come to passe.

51 For as the husbandman soweth much seed vpon the ground, and planteth many trees, and yet euery thing that is sowne good in his season, comforteth not vp, neither doeth all that is planted take roote: euen so is it of them that are sowne in the world, they shall not all be saued.

52 I answered then, and said, If I haue found grace, let me speake.

53 Like as the husbandmans seed perisheth, if it receiue not vp and receiue not the raine in due season, or if there come too much raine, and corrupt it:

54 Euen so perisheth man also which is formed with thy hands, and is called thine owne image, because thou art like vnto him, for whose sake thou hast made all things, and likened him vnto the husbandmans seed.

55 Be not wroth with vs, but spare thy people, and haue mercy vpon thine owne inheritance: for thou art merciful vnto thy creature.

56 Then answered he me, and said, Things present are for the present, and things to come, for such as be to come.

57 For thou comest far shore, that thou shouldest be able to loue my creature more then I: but I haue oft times drawne nigh vnto thee, and vnto vngodly ones.

58 In this also thou art magnified before the most High.

59 In that thou hast humbled thy selfe, as it becommeth thee, and hast not iudged thy selfe worthy to be much glorified among the righteous.

60 For many great miseries shall be done to them that in the latter time shall dwell in the world, because they haue walked in great pride.

61 But vnderstand thou for thy selfe, and seeke out the glory for such as be like thee.

62 For vnto you is Paradise opened, the tree of life is planted, the time to come is prepared, plenteousnesse is made ready a city is builded, and rest is allowed: yea, perfect goodnesse and wisedome.

63 The root of euill is sealed vp from you, weakenesse and the moth is hid from you, and corruption is fled into | hell to be forgotten.

64 Sorrowes are passed, and in the end is shewed the treasure of immortallity.

65 And therefore aske thou no more questions concerning the multitude of them that perish.

66 For when they had taken liberty, they despised the most High, thought scorne of his Law, and forsooke his wayes.

67 Moreouer, they haue troden downe his righteous,

68 And * said in their heart that there is no God, * Psal. 14.1. and yea, and that knowing they must die.

69 For as the things aforesaid shall receiue you, so 53.1.
thirst and paine are prepared for them; for it was not his will that men should come to nought.

70 But they which bee created, haue defiled the Name of him that made them, and were vnthankfull vnto him which prepared life for them.

71 And therefore is my iudgement now at hand.

72 These things haue I not shewed vnto all men, but vnto thee, and a few like thee. Then answered I, and said,

73 Behold, O Lord, now hast thou shewed mee the multitude of the wonders which thou wilt begin to doe in the last times, but at what time, thou hast not shewed me.

CHAP. IX.

7 Who shall be saued and who not. 19 All the world is now corrupted: 32 Yet God doeth saue a few. 33 Hee complaineth that those perish which keepe Gods Law: 38 and seeth a woman lamenting in a field.

HE answered me then & said, Measure thou the time diligently in it selfe: & when thou seest part of the signes past which I haue told thee before.

2 Then thou shalt vnderstand that it is the very same time wherein the highest will begin to visite the world which he made.

3 Therefore when there shall be seene * earth- * Matth. 24.7.
quakes, and vproares of the people in the world,

4 Then shalt thou well vnderstand, that the most High spake of those things from the dayes that were before thee, euen from the beginning.

5 For like as all that is made in the world, hath a beginning, and an end, and the end is manifest:

6 Euen so the times also of the Highest haue plaine beginnings in wonders and powerfull works, and endings in effects and signes.

7 And euery one that shall be saued: and shall be able to escape by his workes, and by faith, whereby ye haue beleeued,

8 Shall bee preserued from the said perils, and shall see my saluation in my land, and within my borders: for I haue sanctified them for mee, from the beginning.

9 Then shall they bee in pitifull case, which *for they* now haue abused my wayes: and they that haue cast *shal want* away their | despightfully shall dwell in torments. *misery.*

10 For, such as in their life haue receiued benefits, and haue not knowne me:

11 A they that haue loathed my Law, while they had yet liberty, and when as yet place of repentance was open vnto them, vnderstood not, but despised it:

12 The same must know it after death by paine.

13 And therefore bee thou not curious, how the vngodly shall be punished, and when: but enquire how the righteous shall be saued, whose the world is, and for whom the world is created.

14 Then answered I, and said,

15 I haue said before, and now doe speake, and will speake it also hereafter: that there bee many moe of them which perish, then of them which shall be saued.

16 Like as a wane is greater then a drop.

17 And he answered me, saying, Like as the field is, so is also the seed: as the flowers be, such are the colours also: such as the workman is, such also is the worke: & as the husbandman is himselfe, so is his husbandry also: for it was the time of the world.

18 ‖ And now when I prepared the world, which was not yet made, euen for them to dwell in that now liue, no man spake against me.

19 For then euery one obeyed, ‖ but now the maners of them which are created in this world, that is made, are corrupted by a perpetuall seed, and by a law which is vnsearchable, rid themselues.

20 So I considered the world, and behold, there was perill, because of the deuises that were come into it.

21 And I saw, and spared it greatly, and haue kept mee a ‖ grape of the cluster, and a plant of a great people.

22 Let the multitude perish then, which was borne in vaine, and let my ‖ grape bee kept, and my plant: for with great labour haue I made it perfect.

23 Neuertheless, if thou wilt cease yet seuen dayes moe, (but thou shalt not fast in them.)

24 But goe into a field of flowers, where no house is builded, and eate onely the flowers of the field, taste no flesh, drinke no wine, but eat flowers onely.

25 And pray vnto the Highest continually, then will I come and talke with thee.

26 So I went my way in the field, which is called Ardath, like as he commanded mee, and there I sate among the flowers, and did eate of the herbs of the field, and the meat of the same satisfied me.

27 After seuen dayes I sate vpon the graffe, and my heart was vexed within me like as before.

28 And I opened my mouth, and began to talke before the most High, and said,

29 O Lord, thou that shewest thy selfe vnto vs, thou wast [a] shewed vnto our fathers in the wildernesse, in a place where no man ‖ treadeth, in a barren place, when they came out of Egypt.

30 And thou spakest, saying, Heare me, O Israel, and marke my words, thou seed of Iacob.

31 For behold, I sow my Law in you, and it shall bring fruit in you, and yee shall be honoured in it for euer.

32 But our fathers which receiued the Law, kept it not, and obserued not thy ordinances, and though the fruit of thy Law did not perish, neither could it, for it was thine:

33 Yet they that receiued it, perished, because they kept not the thing that was sowne in them.

34 And lo, it is a custome when the ground hath receiued seed, or the Sea a ship, or any vessell meat or drinke, that that being perished wherein it was sowne or cast into,

35 That thing also which was sowne or cast therein, or receiued, doeth perish, and remaineth not with vs: but with vs it hath not happened so.

36 For we that haue receiued the Law, perish by sinne, and our heart also which receiued it.

37 Notwithstanding, the Law perisheth not, but remaineth in his force. Gal. 2. 16. & 3. 10.

38 And when I spake these things in my heart, I looked backe with mine eyes, and vpon the right side I saw a woman, and behold, she mourned, and wept with a loud voyce, and was much grieued in heart, and her clothes were rent, and she had ashes vpon her head.

39 Then let I my thoughts go that I was in, and turned me vnto her,

40 And said vnto her, Wherefore weepest thou? why art thou so grieued in thy mind?

41 And she said vnto me, Sir, Let me alone, that I may bewaile my selfe, & adde vnto my sorrow, for I am sore vexed in my mind, and brought very low.

42 And I said vnto her, What ailest thee? Tell me.

43 Shee said vnto me, I thy seruant haue been barren, and had no childe, though I had an husband thirty yeeres.

44 And those thirty yeeres I did nothing else day and night, and euery houre, but make my prayer to the Highest.

45 After thirty yeeres, God heard me thine handmaid, looked vpon my misery, considered my trouble, and gaue mee a sonne: and I was very glad of him: so was my husband also, and all my neighbours, & we gaue great honour vnto the Almighty.

46 And I nourished him with great trauell.

47 So when hee grew vp, and came to the time that he should haue a wife, I made a feast.

CHAP. X.

1 *He comforteth the woman in the field* 17 *who vanisheth away, and a city appeareth in her place.*
40 *The Angel declareth these visions in the field.*

NOw it so came to passe, that when my sonne entred into his wedding chamber, hee fell downe and dyed.

2 Then we all ouerthrew the lights, and all my ‖ neighbours rose vp to comfort me, so I tooke my rest vnto the second day at night.

3 And it came to passe, when they had all left to comfort me to the end I might bee quiet, that I rose I vp by night, and fled, and came hither into this field, as thou seest.

4 And I do now purpose not to returne into the city, but here to stay, and neither to eat nor drink, but continually to mourne, and to fast vntill I die.

5 Then left I the ‖ meditations wherein I was, and spake to her in anger, saying,

6 Thou foolish woman aboue all other, see thou not our mourning, and what hapneth vnto vs?

7 How that Sion our mother is full of all heauinesse, and much humbled, mourning very sore?

8 And now seeing wee all mourne, and are sad for wee are all in heauinesse, art thou grieued for one sonne?

9 For Aske the earth, and she shall tell thee, that it is she which ought to mourne, for the fall of so many that grow vpon her.

10 For out of her came all at the first, and out of her shall all others come: and behold, they walke almost all into destruction, and a multitude of them is vtterly ‖ rooted out.

11 Who then should make more mourning for thee that hath lost so great a multitude, and not thou which art sorry but for one?

12

‖ Vnd now because the time of the world was come when I was preparing the world, &c. (But when the world was made both now and then, the maners of euery one created were corrupted by a neuer failing harnest, and a law vnsearchable.

[a] Or, grain.

[a] Or, grain.

[a] Exod. 19.9. and 24.3. deu. 4.12.

‖ Or, consumed.

12 But if thou sayest vnto me, My lamentation is not like the earths, because I haue lost the fruit of my wombe, which I brought foorth with paines, and bare with sorrowes.

13 But the earth *not so*: for the multitude present in it, according to the course of the earth is gone as it came.

14 Then say I vnto thee, Like as thou hast brought forth with labour: euen so the earth also hath giuen her fruit, namely man, euer since the beginning, vnto him that made her.

15 Now therefore keepe thy sorrow to thy selfe, and beare with a good courage that which hath befallen thee.

16 For if thou shalt acknowledge the determination of God to be iust, thou shalt both receiue thy sonne in time, and shalt bee commended amongst women.

17 Goe thy way then into the city to thine husband.

18 And she said vnto me, That will I not doe: I will not goe into the citie, but here will I die.

19 So I proceeded to speake further vnto her, and said,

20 Doe not so, but be counselled by me: for how many are the aduersities of Sion? Be comforted in regard of the sorrow of Ierusalem.

21 For thou seest that our Sanctuary is laid waste, our Altar broken downe, our Temple destroyed.

22 Our Psalterie is laid on the ground, our song input to silence, our reioycing is at an end, the light of our candlestick is put out, the Arke of our Couenant is spoiled, our holy things are defiled, and the Name that is named vpon vs is almost profaned: our children are put to shame, our Priests are burnt, our Leuites are gone into captiuity, our virginitie defiled, and our wiues rauished, our righteous carried away, our little ones destroyed, our young men are brought in bondage, and our strong men are become weake.

23 And which is the greatest of all, the Seale of Sion hath now lost her honour: for shee is deliuered into hands of them that hate vs.

24 And therefore shake off thy great heauinesse, and put away the multitude of sorrowes, that the Almighty may be mercifull vnto thee againe, and the Highest shal giue thee rest & ease from thy labour.

25 And it came to passe, while I was talking with her, behold, her face vpon a sudden shined exceedingly, and her countenance glistered, so that I was afraid of her, and mused what it might be.

26 And behold, suddenly she made a great cry, very fearefull: so that the earth shoke at the noise of the woman.

27 And I looked, and behold, the woman appeared vnto me no more, but there was a citie builded, and a large place shewed it selfe from the foundations: then was I afraid, and cryed with a loude voice, and said,

28 Where is * Vriel the Angel, who came vnto me at the first? for he hath caused me to fall into many trances, and mine end is turned into corruption, and my prayer to rebuke.

29 And as I was speaking these words, behold, he came vnto me, and looked vpon me.

30 And lo, I lay as one that had beene dead, and mine vnderstanding was taken from me, and hee tooke me by the right hand and comforted me, and set me vpon my feet, and said vnto me,

31 What ailest thee? and why art thou so disquieted, and why is thine vnderstanding troubled, and the thoughts of thine heart?

32 And I said, Because thou hast forsaken me, and yet I did according to thy * words, and I went into the field, and lo, I haue seene, and yet see, that I am not able to expresse. * Chap. 5. 30.

33 And he said vnto me, Stand vp manfully, and I will aduise thee.

34 Then said I, Speake on my Lord in me, onely forsake me not, lest I die frustrate of my hope.

35 For I haue seene that I know not, and heare that I doe not know.

36 Or is my sence deceiued, or my soule in a dreame?

37 Now therefore, I beseech thee, that thou wilt shew thy seruant of this * vision. * Or, trance.

38 He answered me then, and said, Heare me, and I shall informe thee, and tell thee where-of thou art afraid: for the Highest will reueale many secret things vnto thee.

39 He hath seene that thy * way is right: for that thou sorrowest continually for thy people, and makest great lamentation for Sion. * Or, purpose.

40 This therefore is the meaning of the vision which thou lately sawest.

41 Thou sawest a woman mourning, and thou beganst to comfort her:

42 But now seest thou the likenesse of the woman no more, but there appeared vnto thee a citie builded.

43 And whereas she told thee of the death of her sonne, this is the * solution. * Or, interpretation.

44 This woman whom thou sawest, is Sion: and whereas she said vnto thee (euen she whom thou seest as a citie builded.)

45 Whereas I *say*, she said vnto thee that she hath bin thirty yeeres barren: those are the thirty yeeres wherein there was no offering made in her.

46 But after thirty yeeres Solomon builded the citie, and offered offerings: and then bare the barren a sonne.

47 And whereas she told thee, that she nourished him with labour: that was the dwelling in Ierusalem.

48 But whereas she said vnto thee, That my sonne comming into his marriage chamber, happened to haue a fall and died, this was the destruction that came to Ierusalem.

49 And behold, thou sawest her likenesse, and because she mourned for her sonne, thou beganst to comfort her: and of these things which haue chanced, these are to be opened vnto thee.

50 For now the most High seeth that thou art grieued, vnfainedly, and sufferest from thy whole heart for her, so hath he shewed thee the brightnes of her glory, and the comelinesse of her beauty.

51 And therefore I bad thee remaine in the field, where no house was builded.

52 For I knew that the Highest would shew this vnto thee.

53 Therefore I commanded thee to goe into the field, where no foundation of any building was.

54 For in the place wherein the Highest beginneth to shew his city, there can no mans building be able to stand.

55 And therefore feare not, let not thy heart be affrighted, but goe thy way in, and see the beauty and greatnes of the building, as much as thine eyes be able to see:

56 And then shalt thou heare as much as thine eares may comprehend.

57 For thou art blessed aboue many other, and art called with the Highest, and so are but few. Or, are called to be with God.

58 But to morrow at night thou shalt remaine here.

59 And so shall the Highest shew thee visions of the ‖ high things, which the most High will doe vnto them that dwell vpon earth in the last dayes. So I slept that night, and another, like as hee commanded me.

‖ Or, last things.

CHAP. XI.

1 He seeth in his dreame an Eagle comming out of the Sea: 37 And a Lyon out of a wood, talking to the Eagle.

THen saw I a dreame, and behold, there came vp from the Sea an Eagle, which had twelue feathered wings, and three heads.

2 And I saw, and behold, she spread her wings ouer all the earth, and all the winds of the aire blew on her, and were gathered together.

3 And I beheld, and out of her feathers there grew other contrary feathers, and they became little feathers, and small.

4 But her heads were at rest: the head in the ‖ Let sit. middest was greater then the other, yet rested † it with the residue.

5 Moreouer, I beheld, and loe, the Eagle flew with her feathers, and reigned vpon earth, and ouer them that dwelt therein.

6 And I saw that all things vnder heauen were subiect vnto her, and no man spake against her, no not one creature vpon earth.

7 And I beheld, and loe, the Eagle rose vpon her talons, and spake to her feathers, saying,

8 Watch not all at once, sleepe euery one in his owne place, and watch by course.

9 But let the heads be preserued for the last.

10 And I beheld, and loe, the voyce went not out of her heads, but from the midst of her body.

11 And I numbred her contrary feathers, and behold, there were eight of them.

12 And I looked, & behold, on the right side there arose one feather, and reigned ouer all the earth.

13 And so it was, that when it reigned, the end of it came, and the place thereof appeared no more: so the next following stood vp, and reigned, and had a great time.

14 And it happened, that when it reigned, the end of it came also, like as the first, so that it appeared no more.

15 Then came there a voice vnto it, and said,

16 Heare thou that hast borne rule ouer the earth so long? this I say vnto thee, before thou beginnest to appeare no more.

17 There shall none after thee attaine vnto thy time, neither vnto the halfe thereof.

18 Then arose the third, and reigned as the other before, and appeared no more also.

19 So went it with all the residue one after another, as that euery one reigned, and then appeared no more.

20 Then I beheld, and loe, in processe of time the feathers that followed stood vp vpon the right side that they might rule also, and some of them ruled, but within a while they appeared no more.

21 For some of them were set vp, but ruled not.

22 After this I looked, and behold, the twelue feathers appeared no more, nor the two little feathers.

23 And there was no more vpon the Eagles body but three heads ‖ resting, and six little wings.

24 Then saw I also that two little feathers diuided themselues from the six, and remained vnder the head that was vpon the right side: for the foure continued in their place.

25 And I beheld, and loe, the feathers that were vnder the wing, thought to set vp themselues, and to haue the rule.

26 And I beheld, and loe, there was one set vp, but shortly it apeared no more.

27 And the second was sooner away then the first.

28 And I beheld, and loe, the two that remained thought also in themselues to reigne.

29 And when they so thought, behold, there awaked one of the heads, that were at rest, namely, it that was in the midst, for that was greater then the two other heads.

30 And then I saw that the two other heads were ioyned with it.

31 And behold, the head was turned with them that were with it, and did eate vp the two feathers vnder the wing that would haue reigned.

32 But this head put the whole earth in feare, and bare rule in it, euer all those ‖ dwelt vpon the earth with much oppression, and it had the gouernance of the world, more then all the wings that had been.

33 And after this I beheld, and loe, the head that was in the midst suddenly appeared no more, like as the wings.

34 But there remained the two heads, which also in like sort ruled vpon the earth, and ouer those that dwelt therein.

35 And I beheld, and loe, the head vpon the right side deuoured it that was vpon the left side.

36 Then I heard a voyce, which said vnto me, Looke before thee, and consider the thing that thou seest.

37 And I beheld, and loe, as it were a roaring Lyon chased out of the wood: and I saw that he sent out a mans voyce vnto the Eagle, and said,

38 Heare thou, I will talke with thee, and the Highest shall say vnto thee;

39 Art not thou it that remainest of the foure beasts whom I made to reigne in my world, that the end of their times might come through them?

40 And the fourth came, & ouercame all the beasts that were past, and had power ouer the world with great feare & trembling, and ouer the whole compasse of the earth with much wicked oppression, and so long time dwelt he vpon the earth with deceit.

41 For the earth hast thou not iudged with truth.

42 For thou hast afflicted the meeke, thou hast hurt the peaceable, thou hast loued lyars, and destroyed the dwellings of them that brought forth fruit, and hast cast downe the walls of such as did thee no harme.

43 Therefore is thy wrongfull dealing come vp vnto the Highest, and thy pride vnto the Mighty.

44 The Highest also hath looked vpon the proud times, and behold they are ended, and his abominations are fulfilled.

45 And therefore, appeare no more thou Eagle, nor thy horrible wings, nor thy wicked feathers nor thy malicious heads, nor thy hurtfull clawes, nor all thy vaine body.

46 That all the earth may be refreshed, and made returne, being deliuered from thy violence, and that she may hope for the iudgement and mercy of him that made her.

CHAP. XII.

1 The Eagle which before is destroyed, is Thomas vision is interpreted. 37 How he is to write his visions. 39 and to fast three weeks of yeeres. 46 His comfort about those that were giuen for his people.

AND it came to passe, while the Lyon spake these words vnto the Eagle, I saw,

2 And behold, the head that remained, and the foure wings appeared no more, and the two were set vnto it, and set themselues vp to reigne, and their kingdome was small and full of vproare.

3 And

3 And I saw, and behold, they appeared no more, and the whole body of the Eagle was burnt, so that the earth was in great feare: then awaked I out of the trouble and trance of my mind, and from great feare, and said vnto my spirit,

4 Loe, this hast thou done vnto mee, in that thou searchest out the wayes of the Highest.

5 Loe, yet am I weary in my mind, and very weake in my spirit: and little strength is there in me; for the great feare wherewith I was affrighted this night.

6 Therefore will I now beseech the Highest, that he will comfort mee vnto the end.

7 And I said, Lord that beareſt rule, if I haue found grace before thy sight, and if I am iuſtified with thee before many others, and if my prayer indeed be come vp before thy face.

8 Comfort me then, and shew mee thy seruant the interpretation and plaine difference of this fearefull vision, that thou mayest perfectly comfort my soule.

9 For thou hast iudged mee worthy to shew me the last times.

10 And he said vnto mee, This is the interpretation of the vision.

11 The Eagle whom thou saweſt come vp from the Sea, is the kingdome, which was seene in the vision of thy brother Daniel.

12 But it was not expounded vnto him, therefore now I declare it vnto thee.

13 Behold, the dayes will come, that there shall rise vp a kingdome vpon earth, and it shall be feared aboue all the kingdomes that were before it.

14 In the same shall twelue Kings reigne one after another.

15 Whereof the second shall begin to reigne, and shall haue more time then any of the twelue.

16 And this doe the twelue wings signifie, which thou saweſt.

17 As for the voyce which thou heardeſt speake, and that thou saweſt not to goe out from the heads but from the midſt of the body thereof, this is the interpretation;

18 That after the time of that kingdome, there shall arise great strivings, and it shall stand in perill of falling; neuertheleſſe, it shall not then fall, but shall be restored againe to his beginning.

19 And whereas thou saweſt the eight small vnder feathers sticking to her wings, this is the interpretation;

20 That in him there shal arise eighe kings, whose time shall be but small: and their yeeres swift.

21 And two of them shall perish: the middle time approaching, foure shall be kept vntill their end begin to approach: but two shall be kept vnto the end.

22 And whereas thou saweſt three heads resting, this is the interpretation:

23 In his last dayes shall the moſt High raise vp three kingdomes, and renew many things therein, and they shall haue the dominion of the earth,

24 And of those that dwell therein with much oppreſſion, aboue all those that were before them: therefore are they called the heads of the Eagle.

25 For these are they that shall accomplish his wickednesse, and that shall finish his last end.

26 And whereas thou saweſt that the great head appeared no more; it signifieth that one of them shall die vpon his bed, and yet with paine.

27 For the two that remaine, shall be slaine with the sword.

28 For the sword of the one shall deuoure the other; but at the last shall hee fall through the sword himselfe.

29 And whereas thou saweſt two feathers vnder the wings, passing ouer the head that is on the right side:

30 It signifieth, that these are they whom the higheſt hath kept vnto their end: this is the small kingdome, and full of trouble as thou saweſt.

31 And the Lyon whom thou saweſt rising vp out of the wood, and roaring and speaking to the Eagle, and rebuking her for her vnrighteouſneſſe, with all the words which thou hast heard,

32 This is the anointed which the Higheſt hath kept for them, and for their wickednesse vnto the end; he shall reprooue them, and shall vpbraid them with their cruelty.

33 For he shall let them before him aliue in iudgment, and shall rebuke them and correct them.

34 For the reſt of my people shall he deliuer with mercy, those that haue beene preſerued vpon my borders, and he shall make them ioyfull vntill the comming of the day of iudgement, whereof I haue spoken vnto thee from the beginning.

35 This is the dreame that thou saweſt, and these are the interpretations.

36 Thou onely hast beene meet to know this secret of the Higheſt.

37 Therefore write all these things that thou hast seene in a booke, and hide them.

38 And teach them to the wiſe of the people, whose hearts thou knoweſt may comprehend and keepe these secrets.

39 But wait thou here thy ſelfe yet seuen dayes more, that it may bee shewed thee whatſoeuer it pleaſeth the Higheſt to declare vnto thee: And with that he went his way.

40 And it came to paſſe, when all the people saw that the seuen dayes were paſt, and I not come again into the city, they gathered them all together, from the least vnto the greateſt, and came vnto mee, and said,

41 What haue we offended thee? and what euill haue we done againſt thee, that thou forſakeſt vs, and sitteſt here in this place?

42 For of all the Prophets thou onely art left vs, as a cluſter of the vintage, and as a candle in a darke place, and as a haven or ship preſerued from the tempeſt. [Or, people.

43 Are not the euils which are come to vs ſufficient?

44 If thou finally forſake vs, how much better had it beene for vs, if wee alſo had beene burnt in the midſt of Sion?

45 For wee are not better then they that dyed there. And they wept with a loud voyce: then anſwered I them, and said,

46 Bee of good comfort, O Iſrael: and bee not heauy, thou house of Iacob.

47 For the Higheſt hath you in remembrance, and the Mighty hath not forgotten you in temptation.

48 As for me, I haue not forſaken you, neither am I departed from you: but am come into this place, to pray for the deſolation of Sion, and that I might seeke mercy for the loweſtate of your Sanctuary.

49 And now goe your way home euery man, and after these dayes will I come vnto you.

50 So the people went their way into the city, like as I commanded them:

51 But I remained ſtill in the field seuen dayes, as the Angel commanded me, and did eate onely in those dayes of the flowres of the field, and had my meate of the herbes.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Hee seeth in his dreame a man comming out of the Sea. 25 The declaration of his dreame. 54 Hee is praised, and promised to see more.

AND it came to passe after seuen dayes, I dreamed a dreame by night,

2 And ‖ loe, there arose a wind from the Sea, that it mooued all the waues thereof. ‖ *A certaine man as the wind. Iunius.*

3 And I beheld, and loe, that man waxed strong with the ‖ thousands of heauen: and when hee turned his countenance to looke, all the things trembled that were seene vnder him. ‖ *Clouds.*

4 And whensoeuer the voyce went out of his mouth, all they burnt that heard his voyce, like as the earth faileth when it feeleth the fire.

5 And after this, I beheld, and loe there was gathered together a multitude of men out of number, from the foure winds of the heauen, to subdue the man that came out of the Sea.

6 But I beheld, and loe, hee had graued himselfe a great mountaine, and flew vp vpon it.

7 But I would haue seene the region, or place whereout the hill was grauen, and I could not.

8 And after this I beheld, and loe, all they which were gathered together to subdue him, were sore afraid, and yet durst fight.

9 And loe, as hee saw the violence of the multitude that came, hee neither lift vp his hand, nor held sword, nor any instrument of warre.

10 But only I saw that he sent out of his mouth, as it had beene a blast of fire, and out of his lips a flaming breath, and out of his tongue hee cast out sparkes and tempests,

11 And they were all mixt together, the blast of fire, the flaming breath, and the great tempest, and fell with violence vpon the multitude which was prepared to fight, and burnt them vp euery one, so that vpon a suddaine, of an innumerable multitude, nothing was to bee perceiued, but onely dust and smell of smoake: when I saw this, I was afraid:

12 Afterward saw I the same man come downe from the mountaine, and call vnto him another peaceable multitude.

13 And there came much people vnto him, whereof some were glad, some were sorry, some of them were bound, and other some brought of ‖ Iunius *Of the things that were offered.* that were offered: then was I sicke through great feare, and I awaked, and said,

14 Thou hast shewed thy seruant wonders from the beginning, and hast counted mee worthy that thou shouldest receiue my prayer:

15 Shew mee now yet, the interpretation of this dreame.

16 For as I conceiue in my vnderstanding, woe vnto them that shall bee left in those dayes: and much more woe vnto them that are not left behinde.

17 For they that were not left, were in heauines.

18 Now vnderstand I the things that are laid vp in the latter dayes, which shall happen vnto them, and to those that are left behinde.

19 Therefore are they come into great perils, and many necessities, like as these dreames declare.

20 Yet is it easier for him that is in danger, to come into ‖ these things, then to passe away as a cloud out of the world, and not to see the things that happen in the last dayes. And he answered vnto mee, and said, ‖ *Or, the day.*

21 The interpretation of the vision shall I shew thee, and I will open vnto thee the thing that thou hast required,

22 Whereas thou hast spoken of them that are left behind, this is the interpretation.

23 Hee that shall endure the perill in that time, hath kept himselfe: they that be fallen into danger are such as haue workes and faith towards the Almighty.

24 Know this therefore, that they which be left behind, are more blessed then they that be dead.

25 This is the meaning of the vision: Whereas thou saweſt a man comming vp from the middest of the Sea:

26 The same is hee whom God the Highest hath kept a great season, which by his owne selfe shall deliuer his creature: and hee shall order them that are left behind.

27 And whereas thou saweſt, that out of his mouth, there came as a blast of wind, and fire, and a storme;

28 And that he held neither sword, nor any instrument of warre, but that the rushing in of his mouth destroyed the whole multitude that came to subdue him, this is the interpretation.

29 Behold the day is come, when the most High will begin to deliuer them that are vpon the earth.

30 And he shall come to the astonishment of them that dwell on the earth.

31 And one shall vndertake to fight against another, one city against another, one place against another. * One people against another, and one realme against another.

32 And the time shalbe when these things shall come to passe, and the signes shall happen, which I shewed thee before, and then shall my Sonne be declared, whom thou saweſt as a man ascending.

33 And when all the people shall heare his voyce, euery man shall in their owne land leaue the warre they haue one against another.

34 And an innumerable multitude shalbe gathered together, as thou saweſt them willing to come and to ouercome him by fighting.

35 But hee shall stand vpon the top of the mount Sion.

36 And Sion shall come, and shall be shewed to all men, being prepared and builded, like as thou saweſt the hill grauen without hands.

37 And this my Sonne shall rebuke the wicked inuentions of those nations, which for their wickednesse are fallen into the tempest,

38 And shall lay before them their euill thoughts and the torments wherewith they shall begin to be tormented, which are like vnto a flame, and he shall destroy them without labour, by the Law which is like vnto fire.

39 And whereas thou saweſt that hee gathered another peaceable multitude vnto him;

40 Those are the ten Tribes, which were caried away prisoners out of their owne land, in the time of Osea the King, whom * Salmanasar the King of Assyria led away captiue, and he carried them ouer the waters, and so came they into another land.

41 But they tooke this counsell among themselues, that they would leaue the multitude of the heathen, and goe forth into a further countrey, where neuer mankind dwelt.

42 That they might there keepe their Statutes which they neuer kept in their owne land.

43 And they entred into Euphrates by the narrow passages of the riuer.

44 For the most High then shewed * signes for them, and held still the flood, till they were passed ouer.

45 For through that countrey there was a great

to goe, namely, of a yeere and an halfe: and
same region is called || Arsareth.
Then dwelt they there vntill the latter time,
now when they shall begin to come,
The Highest shall stay the springs of the
eame againe that they may goe thorow: there-
sawest thou the multitude with peace.
But those that bee left behind of thy people,
they that are found within my borders.
Now when hee destroyeth the multitude of
nations that are gathered together, he shall de-
his people that remaine.
And then shall he shew them great wonders.
Then said I, O Lord, that bearest rule, shew me
: Wherefore haue I seene the man comming vp
the midst of the Sea?
And he said vnto mee, Like as thou canst nei-
seeke out, nor know the things that are in the
pe of the Sea: euen so can no man vpon earth
my Sonne, or those that be with him, but in the
time.
This is the interpretation of the dreame
ich thou sawest, and whereby thou only art here
tened.
For thou hast forsaken thine owne way, and
lied thy diligence vnto my law, and sought it.
Thy life hast thou ordered in wisedome, and
called vnderstanding thy mother.
And therefore haue I shewed thee the trea-
of the Highest. After other three dayes, I will
ke other things vnto thee, and declare vnto
mighty and wondrous things.
Then went I forth into the field, giuing praise
thankes greatly vnto the most High, because
his wonders which he did in time,
And because hee gouerneth the same, and such
gs as fall in their seasons, and there I sate three
es.

CHAP. XIIII.

*A voyce out of a bush calleth Esdras, 10 and
h him that the world waxeth old. 22 He de-
h, because the Law was burnt, to write all
ine, 24 and is bid to get swift Writers. 39 He
they are filled with understanding: 45 but hee
rged not to publish all that is written.*

AND it came to passe, vpon the third day I sate
vnder an oake, and behold, there came a voyce
of a bush ouer against mee, and said, Esdras,
dras.
And I said, Here am I, Lord, and I stood vp
my feet.
Then said he vnto me; *In the bush I did ma-
festly reueale my selfe vnto Moses, and talked
h him, when my people serued in Egypt.
And I sent him, and led my people out of
ypt, and brought him vp to the mount of Sinai,
re I held him by me a long season.
And told him many wondrous things, and
ed him the secrets of the times, and the end,
commanded him, saying,
These words shalt thou declare, and these shalt
hide.
And now I say vnto thee,
That thou lay vp in thine heart the signes that
haue shewed, and the dreames that thou hast seen,
the interpretations which thou hast heard;
For thou shalt bee taken away from all, and
m henceforth thou shalt remaine with my Sonne,
with such as bee like thee, vntill the times be
ded:
10 For the world hath lost his youth, and the
es begin to waxe old.

11 For the world is diuided into twelue parts,
and the ten parts of it are gone already, and halfe
of a tenth part.
12 And there remaineth that which is after the
halfe of a tenth part.
13 Now therefore set thine house in order, and
reproue thy people, comfort such of them as be in
trouble, and now renounce corruption.
14 Let goe from thee mortall thoughts, cast away
the burdens of man, put off now the weake nature,
15 And set aside the thoughts that are most heauy
vnto thee, and haste thee to flee from these times.
16 For *yet greater euills then those which thou | * Matth.
hast seene happen shall be done hereafter. | 24.7.
17 For looke how much the world shalbe weaker
through age: so much the more shall euils increase
vpon them that dwell therein.
18 For the truth is fled farre away, and leasing is
hard at hand: for now hasteth the vision to come,
which thou hast seene.
19 Then answered I before thee, and said,
20 Behold, Lord, I will goe as thou hast comman-
ded me, and reproue the people which are present,
but they that shalbe borne afterward, who shall ad-
monish them? thus the world is set in darkenesse,
and they that dwell therein, are without light.
21 For thy law is burnt, therefore no man know-
eth the things that are done of thee, or the workes
that shall begin.
22 But if I haue found grace before thee, send the
holy Ghost into mee, and I shall write all that hath
beene done in the world since the beginning, which
were written in thy Law, that men may find thy
path, and that they which will liue in the latter
dayes may liue.
23 And hee answered mee, saying, Goe thy way,
gather the people together, and say vnto them, that
they seeke thee not for fourty dayes.
24 But looke thou prepare thee many || box trees, | || Or, box-
and take with thee Sarea, Dabria, Selemia, || Ecanus, | tables to
& Asiel, these fiue which are ready to write swiftly. | write on.
25 And come hither, and I shall light a candle of | See v.44.
vnderstanding in thine heart, which shall not be | || Or,
put out till the things bee performed which thou | Baanus.
shalt begin to write.
26 And when thou hast done, some things shalt
thou publish, and some things shalt thou shew se-
cretly to the wise: to morrow this houre shalt
thou begin to write.
27 Then went I foorth as he commanded, and ga-
thered all the people together, and said,
28 Heare these words, O Israel,
29 *Our fathers at the beginning were strangers | * Gene.
in Egypt, from whence they were deliuered: | 47.4.
30 *And receiued the Law of life, which they kept | * Actes
not, which yee also haue transgressed after them. | 7.53.
31 Then was the land, euen the land of Sion, par-
ted among you by lot: but your fathers, and ye your
selues haue done vnrighteousnes, and haue not kept
the wayes which the Highest commanded you.
32 And forasmuch as he is a righteous Iudge, hee
tooke from you in time the thing that hee had gi-
uen you.
33 And now are you here, and your brethren
among you.
34 Therefore if so be that you will subdue your
own vnderstanding, and reforme your hearts, ye shal
be kept aliue, and after death ye shal obtaine mercy.
35 For after death shal the iudgement come, when
we shall liue againe: and then shall the names of
the righteous bee manifest, and the workes of the
vngodly shalbe declared.

36 Let no man therefore come vnto me now, nor seeke after me these fourty dayes.

37 So I tooke the fiue men as he commanded me, and we went into the field, and remained there.

38 And the next day behold a voyce called mee, saying, Esdras, * open thy mouth, and drinke that I giue thee to drinke.

* Ezek. 2.2.

39 Then opened I my mouth, and behold, hee reached me a full cup, which was full as it were with water, but the colour of it was like fire.

40 And I tooke it, and dranke: and when I had dranke of it, my heart vttered vnderstanding: and wisedome grew in my brest, for my spirit strengthned my memory.

41 And my mouth was opened, and shut no more.

42 The Highest gaue vnderstanding vnto the fiue men, and they wrote the wonderfull visions of the night, that were told, which they knew not: And they sate fourty dayes, and they wrote in the day, and at night they ate bread.

43 As for me I spake in the day, and held not my tongue by night:

44 In fourty dayes they wrote ‖ two hundred and sonre bookes.

‖ Or, nine hundred and fiue &c.

45 And it came to passe, when the fourtie dayes were fulfilled, that the Highest spake, saying: The first that thou hast written, publish openly, that the worthy and vnworthy may reade it.

46 But keepe the seuenty last, that thou mayest deliuer them onely to such as bee wise among the people.

‖ Or, the sight of knowledge.

47 For in them is the spring of vnderstanding, the fountaines of wisedome, and the ‖ streame of knowledge.

48 And I did so.

CHAP. XV.

1 This prophecie is certaine. 5 God will take vengeance vpon the wicked, 12 vpon Egypt, 28 An horrible vision, 43 Babylon and Asia are threatned.

BEhold, speake thou in the eares of my people the words of prophesie, which I will put in thy mouth, saith the Lord.

2 And cause them to bee written in paper: for they are faithfull and true.

3 Feare not the imaginations against thee, let not the incredulity of them trouble thee, that speak against thee.

4 For all the vnfaithfull shall die in their vnfaithfulnesse.

5 Behold, saith the Lord, I will bring plagues vpon the world, the sword, famine, death and destruction.

6 For wickednesse hath exceedingly polluted the whole earth, and their hurtfull workes are fulfilled.

7 Therefore, saith the Lord,

8 I will hold my tongue no more at touching their wickednesse, which they profanely commit, neither will I suffer them in those things, in which they wickedly exercise themselues: behold, the * innocent and righteous blood cryeth vnto mee, and the soules of the iust complaine continually.

* Reuel. 6.10 & 19.2.

9 And therefore saith the Lord, I will surely auenge them, and receiue vnto mee all the innocent blood from among them.

10 Behold, my people is led as a flocke to the slaughter: I will not suffer them now to dwell in the land of Egypt.

11 But I will bring them with a mighty hand and a stretched-out arme, & smite Egypt with plagues, as before, and will destroy all the land thereof.

12 Egypt shall mourne, and the foundation shall bee smitten with the plague and punishment that God shall bring vpon it.

13 They that till the ground shall mourne: their seeds shall faile through the blasting, haile, and with a fearefull conflellation.

14 Woe to the world, and them that dwell therein.

15 For the sword, and their destruction draweth nigh, and one people shall stand vp to fight against another, and swords in their hands.

16 For there shalbe sedition amongst men, and inuading one another, they shall not regard their Kings nor Princes, and the course of their actions shall stand in their power.

17 A man shall desire to go into a city, and shall not be able.

18 For because of their pride, the cities shall be troubled, the houses shall bee destroyed, and men shall be afraid.

19 A man shall haue no pitie vpon his neighbour, but shall destroy their houses with the sword, and spoile their goods, because of the lacke of bread and for great tribulation.

20 Behold, saith God, I will call together all the Kings of the earth to reuerence me, which are from the rising of the Sunne, from the South, from the East, and Libanus to turne themselues one against another, and repay the things that they haue done to them.

21 Like as they doe yet this day vnto me, so will I doe also, and recompence in their bosome. Thus saith the Lord God;

22 My right hand shall not spare the sinners, and my sword shall not cease ouer them, that shed the innocent blood vpon earth.

23 The fire is gone foorth from his wrath, and hath consumed the foundations of the earth, and the sinners like the straw that is kindled.

24 Woe to them that sinne, and keepe not my Commandements, saith the Lord.

25 I will not spare them: goe your way, ye children from the power, defile not my Sanctuary.

26 For the Lord knoweth all them that trespasse against him, and therefore deliuereth he them vnto death and destruction.

27 For now are the plagues come vpon the whole earth, and yee shall remaine in them, for God will not deliuer you, because ye haue sinned against him.

28 Behold an horrible vision, and the shape thereof from the East.

29 Where the nations of the dragons of Arabia shall come out with many chariots, and the number of them shall bee carried as the wind ouer the face of the earth, that all they which heare them may feare and tremble.

30 Also the Carmanians raging in wrath shall goe foorth as the wilde boares of the wood, and with great power shall they come, and ioyne battell with them, and shall waste a portion of the Land of the Assyrians.

31 And then shall the dragons haue the vpper hand, remembring their nature, and if they shall turne themselues, combining together in great power to persecute them.

32 Then these shalbe troubled and keepe silence through their power, and shall flee.

33 And from the land of the Assyrians, shall an enemy besiege them, and consume some of their power, and in their hoste shall bee feare, and dread, and strife among their Kings.

34 Behold, clouds from the East, and from

ch vnto the South, and they are very horrible to
ke vpon, full of wrath and storme.
8 They shall smite on: vpon another, and they
ll smite downe a great multitude of stars vpon
earth, even their own star, and blood shall bee
n the inward vnto the belly.
9 And dung of men, vnto the camels though.
10 And there shalbe great fearefulnesse & trem-
ng vpon earth: and they that see the wrath, shall
afraid, and trembling shall come vpon them.
11 And then shall there come great stormes, from
South, and from the North, and another part
m the West.
12 And strong winds shall arise, from the East,
d shall put it, and the cloud which he raised vp,
wrath, and the ster stirred to cause feare toward
East and West wind, shall be destroyed.
13 The great and mighty clouds shalbe lifted vp
ll of wrath, and the star, that they may make all
earth afraid, and them that dwell therein, and
y shall powre out ouer euery high and eminent
ce, an horrible starre.
14 Fire and hailе, and flying swords, and many
aters, that all fields may be full, and all rivers
th the abundance of great waters
15 And they shall breake downe the cities, and
lles, mountaines and hils, trees of the wood, and
ssie of the meadowes, and their corne.
16 And they shall goe stedfastly vnto Babylon,
d make her afraid.
17 They shall come to her and besiege her, the star
d all wrath shall they powre out vpon her, then
all the dust and smoake goe vp vnto the heauen;
d all they that be about her, shall bewaile her.
18 And they that remaine vnder her, shall doe
ue vnto them that haue put her in feare.
19 And thou Asia, that art partaker of the hope
Babylon, and art the glory of her person:
20 Woe be vnto thee, thou wretch, because thou
st made thy selfe like vnto her, and hast decked thy
ughters in whoredome, that they might please
glory in thy louers, which haue alway desired to
ake whoredome with thee.
21 Thou hast followed her that is hated in all
ke of diuersions: therefore saith God,
22 I will send plagues vpon thee, wild wood,
ery famine, sword, and pestilence, to waste thy
ies with destruction and death.
23 And the glory of thy power shall be dryed vp
a shower, when the heat shall arise that is sent
ne thee.
24 Thou shalt bee weakned as a poore woman
th stripes, and as one chastised with wounds, so
t the mighty and louers shall not be able to re-
ue thee.
25 Would I wish as Ionsie haue so proceeded a-
nst thee, saith the Lord,
26 If thou hadst not alway shine my chosen, ex-
ting the stroke of thy hands, and saying ouer
n dead, When thou wast drunken,
27 Set forth the beauty of thy countenance?
28 The reward of thy whoredome shall be in thy
me, therefore shalt thou receiue recompence.
29 Like as thou hast done vnto my chosen, saith
e Lord, even so shall God doe vnto thee, and shall
liuer thee into mischiefe.
30 Thy children shall die of hunger, and thou
alt fall through the sword, thy cities shall be bro-
n downe, and all thine shall perish with the
ord in the field.
31 They that be in the mountaines, shall die of
nger, and eat their owne flesh, and drinke their
owne blood, for very hunger of bread, and thirst of
water.
32 Thou as vnhappy shalt come thorow the sea,
and receiue plagues againe.
33 And in the passage they shall rush on the idle
cities, and shall destroy some portion of thy land, and
consume part of thy glory, and shall returne to Ba-
bylon that was destroyed.
34 And thou shalt be cast down by them as stub-
ble, and they shall be vnto thee as fire,
35 And shall consume thee and thy cities, thy
land, and thy mountaines, all thy woods and thy
fruitfull trees shall they burne vp with fire.
36 Thy children shall they carry away captiue,
and looke what thou hast they shall spoile it, and
marre the beauty of thy face. 1 Or, blemish.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Babylon and other places are threatned with plagues that cannot be auoided: 23 and with desolation. 40 The seruants of the Lord must looke for troubles, 51 and not hide their sins, 74 but leaue them, and they shall be deliuered.

WOe be vnto thee Babylon and Asia, woe bee
vnto thee, Egypt and Syria.
2 Gird vp your selues with clothes of sacke and
haire, bewaile your children and be sorry, for your
destruction is at hand.
3 A sword is sent vpon you, and who may turne
it backe?
4 A fire is sent among you, and who may quench
it?
5 Plagues are sent vnto you, and what is he that
may driue them away?
6 May any man driue away a hungry Lyon in the
wood? or may any one quench the fire in the stub-
ble, when it hath begun to burne?
7 May one turne againe the arrow that is shot
of a strong Archer?
8 The mighty Lord sendeth the plagues, and
who is he that can driue them away?
9 A fire shall goe foorth from his wrath: and
who is he that may quench it?
10 He that casteth lightnings, and who shal not feare?
he shall thunder, and who shall not be afraid?
11 The Lord shall threaten, and who shall not
be vtterly beaten to powder at his presence?
12 The earth quaketh, and the foundations there-
of, the Sea ariseth vp with waues from the deepe,
and the waues of it are troubled, and the fishes
thereof also before the Lord, and before the glory
of his power.
13 For strong is his right hand that bendeth the
bow, his arrowes that he shooteth are sharpe, and
shall not misse when they begin to be shot into the
ends of the world. Hoba. 3. 9.
14 Behold, the plagues are sent, and shall not re-
turne againe, vntill they come vpon the earth. Ephes. 6. 13.
15 The fire is kindled, and shall not be put out till
it consume the foundation of the earth. Exod. 22. 6.
16 Like as an arrow which is shot of a mighty
archer, returneth not backward: euen so the plagues
that shalbe sent vpon earth, shall not returne again. Esay. 45. 23.
17 Woe is me, woe is me, who will deliuer me
in those dayes?
18 The beginning of sorrowes and great mour-
nings, the beginning of famine and great death:
the beginning of wars, and the powers shall stand
in feare, the beginning of euils, what shall I doe
when these euils shall come?
19 Behold, famine, and plague, tribulation, and
anguish are sent as scourges for amendment:
20 But for all these things, they shall not turne
from

from their wickednesse, nor be alway mindfull of the scourges.

21 Behold, victuals shall bee so good cheape vpon earth, that they shall thinke themselues to be in good case, and euen then shall || euils grow vpon earth, sword, famine, and great confusion.

22 For many of them that dwell vpon earth shall perish of famine, and the other that escape the hunger, shall the sword destroy.

23 And the dead shall be cast out as dung, and there shall be no man to comfort them, for the earth shall be wasted, and the cities shall be cast downe.

24 There shall be no man left to till the earth, and to sow it.

25 The trees shall giue fruit, and who shall gather them?

26 The grapes shall ripe, and who shall tread them? for all places shall be desolate of men.

27 So that one man shall desire to see another, and to heare his voyce.

28 For of a city there shalbe ten left, and two of the field, which shall hide themselues in the thicke groues, and in the clefts of rockes.

29 As in an orchard of Oliues, vpon euery tree there are left three or foure Olines:

30 Or when as a vineyard is gathered, there are left some clusters of them that diligently seeke thorow the vineyard:

31 Euen so in those dayes there shall be three or foure left by them that search their houses with the sword.

32 And the earth shall be laid waste, and the fields thereof shall wax old, and her wayes, and all her paths shall grow full of thornes, because no man shall trauell there thorow.

33 The virgins shall mourne, hauing no bridegroomes, the women shall mourne hauing no husbands, their daughters shall mourne hauing no helpers.

34 In the wars shall their bridegroomes be destroyed, and their husbands shall perish of famine.

35 Heare now these things and vnderstand them, ye seruants of the Lord.

36 Behold the word of the Lord, receiue it; beleeue not the gods of whom the Lord spake.

37 Behold, the plagues draw nigh, & are not slack.

38 As when a woman with child, in the ninth moneth bringeth forth her sonne, within two or three houres of her birth, great paines compasse her wombe: which paines when the childe commeth forth they slacke not a moment.

39 Euen so shal not the plagues be slack to come vpon the earth, and the world shall mourne, and sorrowes shall come vpon it on on euery side.

40 O my people, heare my word: make you ready to the battell, and in those euils, be euen as pilgrimes vpon the earth.

41 He that selleth, let him be as he that fleeth away: and he that buyeth, as one that will lose.

42 He that occupieth marchandise, as he that had no profit by it: and he that buildeth, as he that shall not dwell therein.

43 He that soweth, as if he should not reape: so also he that planteth the vineyard, as hee that shall not gather the grapes.

44 They that marry, as they that shall get no children: and they that marry not, as the widowers.

45 And therfore they that labour, labour in vaine.

46 For strangers shall reape their fruits, and spoile their goods, ouerthrow their houses, and take their children captiues, for incaptiuity and famine shall they get children.

47 And they that occupie their merchandize in robbery, the more they decke their cities, the houses, their possessions, and their owne persons

48 The more will I be angry with them for the sinne, saith the Lord.

49 Like as an whore enuieth a right honest & vertuous woman:

50 So shall righteousnes hate iniquity, when she decketh her selfe, and shall accuse her to her face when he commeth that shall defend him that gently searcheth out euery sinne vpon earth.

51 And therefore be ye not like thereunto, nor the workes thereof.

52 For yet a little, and iniquity shall be taken way out of the earth, and righteousnesse shall reign among you.

53 Let not the sinner say that he hath not sinned: for God shall burne coales of fire vpon his head which saith before the Lord God and his glory, I haue not sinned.

54 Behold, the Lord knoweth all the workes of men, their imaginations, their thoughts, and their hearts:

55 Which spake but the word, Let the earth be made, and it was made: Let the heauen be made, and it was created.

56 In his word were the starres made, and he knoweth the number of them.

57 Hee searcheth the deepe, and the treasures thereof, he hath measured the Sea, and what it containeth.

58 He hath shut the Sea in the midst of the waters, and with his word hath he hanged the world vpon the waters.

59 He spreadeth out the heauens like a vaile, on the waters hath he founded it.

60 In the desart hath he made springs of waters, and pooles vpon the tops of the mountaines, that the floods might powre downe from the high rocks to water the earth.

61 He made man, and put his heart in the midst of the body, and gaue him breath, life, and vnderstanding.

62 Yea, and the Spirit of Almighty God, which made all things, and searcheth out all hidden things in the secrets of the earth.

63 Surely he knoweth your inuentions, and what you thinke in your hearts, euen them that sinne, and would hide their sinne.

64 Therefore hath the Lord exactly searched all your workes, and he will put you all to shame.

65 And when your sins are brought forth, ye shall be ashamed before men, and your owne sinnes shall be your accusers in that day.

66 What will ye doe? or how will ye hide your sinnes before God and his Angels?

67 Behold, God himselfe is the iudge, feare him, leaue off from your sins, and forget your iniquities to meddle no more with them for euer: so shall he lead you forth, and deliuer you from all trouble.

68 For behold, the burning wrath of a great multitude is kindled ouer you, and they shall take away certaine of you and feed you, being idle, with things offered vnto idols.

69 And they that consent vnto them shall be had in derision, and in reproch and trodden vnder foot.

70 For there shall be in euery place, and in euery next cities a great insurrection vpon those that feare the Lord.

71 They shall be like mad men, sparing none, but still spoyling and destroying those that feare the Lord.

For they shall waste & take away their goods, and cast them out of their houses.

Then shall they be known, who are my chosen, for they shall be tried as the gold in the fire:

Hearke, O yee, my beloued, saith the Lord, whether the dayes of trouble are at hand, but I will deliuer you from the same.

Be ye not afraid, neither doubt, for God is your guide,

And the guide of them who keepe my Commandements, and precepts, saith the Lord God: Let not your sinnes weigh you downe, and let not your iniquities lift vp themselues.

77 Woe be vnto them that are bound with their sinnes, and couered with their iniquities: like as a field is couered ouer with bushes, and the path thereof couered with thornes, that no man may trauaile thorow.

78 It is ‖ left vndressed, and is cast into the fire to be consumed therewith. ‖ Or, shut out.

¶ TOBIT.

CHAP. I.

Tobit his zeale, and deuotion in his youth. 9 His captiuity, 10 and captiuity. 13 His preferment there, and charity in burying the dead. 19 For which he is accused, and flieth. 21 And after returneth to Ierusalem.

THe booke of the ‖ words of Tobit, son of Tobiel, the son of Ananiel, the sonne of Aduel, the sonne of Gabael, of the seed of Asael, of the tribe of Nephthali,

Who in the time of Enemessar King of the Assyrians, was led captiue out of * Thisbe, which is on the right hand of that city, which is called ‖ prouince Nephthali in Galilee aboue Aser.

I Tobit haue walked in the dayes of my life in the way of truth and iustice, and I did many almesdeeds to my brethren, and my nation, who came with me to Nineue into the land of the Assyrians.

And when I was *in* mine owne country in the land of Israel, being but young, all the Tribe of Nephthali my father fell from the house of Ierusalem, which was chosen out of all the tribes of Israel that all the tribes should sacrifice *there* where the Temple of the habitation of the most High was sanctified and built for all ages.

Now all the Tribes which together reuolted, the house of my father Nephthali, sacrificed vnto the * heifer Baal.

But I alone went often to Ierusalem at the feasts, as it was ordained vnto all the people of Israel, by an euerlasting decree, * hauing the first fruits and tenths of increase with that which was to be shorne, and them I gaue at the Altar to the Priests the children of Aaron.

The first tenth part of all increase I gaue to the sonnes of ‖ Aaron, who ministred at Ierusalem: another tenth part I sold away, and went and spent the money yeere at Ierusalem.

And the third I gaue vnto them to whom it was meet, as Debora my fathers mother had commanded me, because I was left an Orphan by my father.

Furthermore when I was come to the age of a man, I married Anna of mine * owne kinred, and of her I begat Tobias.

And when wee were carryed away captiues to Nineue, all my brethren, and those which were of my kinred, did eat of the * bread of the Gentiles.

But I kept my † selfe from eating,

Because I remembred God with all my heart.

And the most High gaue me grace and fauour before Enemessar, so that I was his † purueyour.

And I went into Media, and left in trust with Gabael the brother of Gabrias, *at* Rages a city of Media, ten talents of siluer.

Now when Enemessar was dead, Sennacherib his sonne reigned in his stead, † whose estate was troubled, that I could not goe into Media.

16 And in † time of Enemessar I gaue many almes to my brethren, and gaue my bread to the hungry,

17 And my clothes to the naked: and if I saw any of my nation dead, or cast ‖ about the walles of Nineue, I buried him. ‖ Or, beyond the walles.

18 And if the King Sennacherib had slaine any when he was come, * and fled from Iudea, I buryed them priuily (for in his wrath he killed many) but the bodies were not found, when they were sought for of the King.

19 And when one of the Nineuites went and complained of me to the King, that I buried them, and hid my selfe: vnderstanding that I was sought for to be put to death, I withdrew my selfe for feare.

20 Then all my goods were forceably taken away neither was there any thing left me, besides my wife Anna, and my sonne Tobias.

21 And there passed not fiue and fifty dayes, before two of his sonnes * killed him, and they fled into the mountaines of Ararath, and ‖ Sarchedonus his sonne reigned in his stead, who appointed ouer his fathers accounts, and ouer all his affaires Achiacharus my brother Anaels sonne.

22 And Achiacharus intreating for me, I returned to Nineue: Now Achiacharus was cup-bearer, and keeper of the Signet, and Steward, and ouerseer of the accounts: and ‖ Sarchedonus appointed him next vnto him: and he was my brothers sonne.

CHAP. II.

1 Tobit leaueth his meat to bury the dead, 10 and becommeth blind. 11 His wife taketh in worke to get her liuing. 14 Her husband and she fall out about a kid.

NOw when I was come home againe, and my wife Anna was restored vnto me with my son Tobias in the feast of Pentecost, which is the holy feast of the seuen weekes, there was a good dinner prepared me, in the which I sate downe to eat.

2 And when I saw abundance of meat, I said to my sonne, Goe and bring what poore man soeuer thou shalt find out of our brethren, who is mind full of the Lord, and loe, I tarry for thee.

3 But he came againe, and said, Father one of our nation is strangled & is cast out in the market place.

4 Then before I had tasted of any meat, I start vp, and tooke him vp into a roome, vntill the going downe of the Sunne.

5 Then I returned and washed my selfe, and ate my meat in heauinesse,

6 Remembring that prophesie * of Amos, as he said, Your feasts shalbe turned into mourning, and all your mirth into lamentation. * Amos 8.10.

7 Therfore I wept: and after the going downe of the Sun, I went and made a grane and buried him.

8 But my neighbours mocked me, and said, This

man

man is not yet afraid to bee put to death for this
*Chap. 8.19. matter, * who fled away, and yet loe, he buryeth the dead againe.

9 The same night also I returned from the buriall, and slept by the wall of my court-yard, being polluted, and my face was vncouered:

‖Or, swallowes. 10 And I knew not that there were ‖ Sparrowes in the wall, and mine eyes being open, the Sparrowes muted warme dung into mine eies, and a ‖Or, white filmes. white nesse came into mine eies, and I went to the Physicians, but they helped me not: Moreouer Achiacharus did nourish me vntill I went into Elymais.

11 And my wife Anna ‖ did take womens works
‖Or, her worke. to doe.

12 And when shee had sent ‖ them home to the owners, they payed her wages, and gaue her also besides, a kid.

13 And when it was in mine house, and began to cry, I said vnto her, From whence is this kid? is it
*Deut. 22.1. not stollen? render it to the owners, * for it is not lawfull to eat any thing that is stollen.

*Iob.3.9. 14 * But she replied vpon me, It was giuen for a
‖Or, lo, all things are knowne to him. gift more then the wages: howbeit, I did not beleeue her, but bad her render it vnto the owners: and I was abashed at her. But she replied vpon me, Where are thine almes, and thy righteous deeds? ‖ behold, thou and all thy workes are knowne.

CHAP. III.

1 Tobit grieued with his mixt sowre prayeth. 11 Sara reproached by her fathers maids prayeth also. 17 An Angel is sent to helpe them both.

THen I being grieued, did weepe, & in my sorrow prayed, saying,

2 O Lord, thou art iust in all thy workes, and all thy wayes are mercy and trueth, and thou iudgest truely and iustly for euer.

3 Remember me, and looke on me, punish mee not for my sinnes and ignorances, and *the sinnes of* my fathers, who haue sinned before thee.

*Deut 28 ℣.37. 4 For they obeyed not thy Commandements; wherefore thou hast deliuered vs * for a spoile, and vnto captiuity, and vnto death, and for a prouerbe of reproach vnto all the nations among whom we are dispersed.

5 And now thy iudgements are many and true: Deale with me according to my sinnes, and my fathers: because wee haue not kept thy Commandements, neither haue walked in trueth before thee.

6 Now therefore deale with me as seemeth best vnto thee, & command my spirit to be taken from me,
‖Or, dismissed, or deliuered. that I may be ‖ dissolued, and become earth, for it is profitable for me to die, rather then to liue, because I haue heard false reproaches, and haue much sorrow, command therefore, that I may now be deliuered out of this distresse, and goe into the euerlasting place: turne not thy face away from me.

7 It came to passe the same day, that in Ecbatane a city of Media, Sara the daughter of Raguel was also reproached by her fathers maids.

8 Because she the had been maried to seuen husbands, whom Asmodeus the euill spirit had killed before they had lien with her. Dost thou not know, said they, that thou hast strangled thine husbands? thou hast had already seuen husbands, neither wast thou named after any of them.

9 Wherefore dost thou beat vs for them? If they be dead, goe thy wayes after them let vs neuer see of thee either sonne or daughter.

10 When she heard these things, she was very sorrowfull, so that shee thought to haue strangled her selfe, & she said, I am the onely daughter of my father, and if I doe this it shalbe a reproch vnto him, and I shall bring his old age with sorrow vnto graue.

11 Then she praied toward the window and said, Blessed art thou, O Lord my God, and thine holy and glorious name is blessed, and honourable euer, let all thy workes praise thee for euer.

12 And now, O Lord, I set mine eies and my face towards thee,

13 And say, Take me out of the earth, that I heare no more the reproach.

14 Thou knowest Lord, that I am pure from sinne with man.

15 And that I neuer polluted my name, nor the name of my father in the land of my captiuity: I am the onely daughter of my father, neither hath he any child to be his heire, neither any neer kinsman, nor any sonne of his brother, to whom I should keep my selfe for a wife: my seuen husbands are already dead, and why should I liue? but if it please not thee that I should die, command that regard to be had of me, and pity taken of me, that I heare no more reproach.

16 So the prayers of them both were heard before the maiesty of the great God.

17 And Raphael was sent to heale them both, to scale away ‖ white filmes of Tobits eyes, and to
‖Or, to giue Sara ‖ daughter of Raguel in mariage vnto Tobias the sonne of Tobit, and to driue away the euill spirit, because the belonged to Tobias by right of inheritance. The selfe same time came Tobit home, and entred into his house, & Sara the daughter of Raguel came down from the vpper chamber.

CHAP. IIII.

3 Tobit giueth his sonne Tobias charge how he should vse himself in marriage. 5 Tobias marieth Sara. 8 Asmodeus the euill spirit is driuen away by the smoke of the liuer of a fish. 9 Raguel maketh a great feast.

IN that day Tobit remembred the money which he had committed to Gabelus in Rages of Media.

2 And said with himself, I haue willed mine owne death, wherefore doe I not send for my sonne Tobias, that I may signifie to him of the money before I die?

3 And when he had called his sonne vnto him, My sonne, when I am dead, bury me, and despise not thy mother, * but honour her all the dayes of thy life, and doe that which shall please her, and giue her no occasion of griefe.

4 Remember my sonne, that she hath seene many dangers for thee, *when thou wast* in her wombe, and when she is dead, burie her by me in one graue.

5 My sonne be mindfull of the Lord our God all thy dayes, and let not thy will be set to sinne, or to transgresse his Commandements: doe vprightly in thy life long, and follow not the wayes of vnrighteousnesse.

6 For if thou deale truely, thy doings shall prosperously succeed to thee, and to all them that liue iustly.

7 * Giue almes of thy substance, and when thou giuest almes, let not thine eie be enuious, neither turne thy face from any poore, and the face of God shall not be turned away from thee.

8 If thou hast much, giue almes plentifully: if thou hast but little, be not afraid to giue according to that little.

9 For thou layest vp a good treasure for thy selfe against the day of necessity.

10 * Because that almes doth deliuer from death, and suffereth not to come into darknesse.

11 For almes is a good gift vnto all that giue it in the sight of the most High.

12 Beware of all * whoredome my sonne, and chiefly take a wife of the seed of thy fathers, and take not a strange woman to wife, which is not of thy fathers Tribe: for we are the children of the Prophets, Noe, Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob; remember

…ment, that our fathers from the beginning, euen
…they all married wiues of their owne kinred,
…were blessed in their children, and their seed
…inherit the land.
9 Now therefore, my sonne, loue thy brethren,
…despise not in thy heart thy brethren the sons
…daughters of thy people, in not taking a wife
…them: for in pride is destruction and much trou-
…and in lewdnesse is decay and great want: for
…lewdnesse is the mother of famine.
10 Let not the *wages of any man which hath
…wrought for thee, tarry with thee, but giue him it
…his hand: for if thou serue God, he will also re-
…ward thee: be circumspect my sonne, in all things
…thou doest, and be wise in all thy conuersation.
11 *Doe that to no man which thou hatest:
…drinke not wine to make thee drunken: neither let
…drunkennesse goe with thee in thy iourney.
12 *Giue of thy bread to the hungry, and of thy
…garments to them that are naked, *and according
…to thine abundance giue almes, and let not thine
…eye enuious when thou giuest almes.
13 Powre out thy bread on the buriall of the iust
…giue nothing to the wicked.
14 Aske counsell of all that are wise, and despise
…not any counsell that is profitable.
15 Blesse the Lord thy God alway, and desire of
…him that thy wayes may be directed, & that all thy
…paths and counsels may prosper: for euery nation
…hath not counsell, but the Lord himselfe giueth all
…good things, and he humbleth whom he will, as hee
…will: now therefore my sonne, remember my comman-
…dements, neither let them be put out of thy mind.
16 And now I signifie this to thee, that I com-
…mitted talents to Gabael, the sonne of Gabrias
…my friend in Media.
17 And feare not, my sonne, that wee are made
…poore: for thou hast much wealth if thou feare God
…and depart from all sinne, and doe that which is
…good in his sight.

CHAP. V.

*Then Tobias seeketh a guide into Media. 6 The
…guide will go with him. 12 And saith he is his kins-
…man. 15 Tobias and the Angel depart together. 17
…His mother is grieued for her sons sparing.*

THen Tobias answered, and said, Father, I will
…doe all things which thou hast commanded me.
2 But how can I receiue the money, seeing I
…know him not?
3 Then he gaue him the hand writing, and said
…him, Seeke thee a man which may goe with
…me, while I yet liue, and I will giue him wages,
…goe and receiue the money.
4 Therefore when he went to seeke a man, hee
…found Raphael that was an Angel.
5 But he knew not: and he said vnto him, Canst
…thou goe with me to Rages? and knowest thou
…the places well?
6 To whom the Angel said, I will goe with
…thee, and I know the way well: for I haue lodged
…with our brother Gabael.
7 Then Tobias said vnto him, Tarry for me till
…I tell my father.
8 Then he said vnto him, Go and tarry not; so he
…went in, and said to his father; Behold I haue found
…one which will go with me. Then he said, Call him
…vnto me, that I may know of what tribe he is, and
…whether he be a trusty man to goe with thee.
9 So he called him, and he came in, and they sa-
…luted one another.
10 Then Tobit said vnto him, Brother, shew me
…of what tribe and family thou art.
11 To whom he said, Doest thou seeke for a tribe
…or family, or an hired man to goe with thy sonne?
…Then Tobit said vnto him, I would know brother,
…thy kindred and name.
12 Then he said, I am Azarias, the sonne of Ana-
…nias the great, and of thy brethren.
13 Then Tobit said, Thou art welcome, brother,
…be not now angry with me, because I haue inquired
…to know thy tribe and thy family, for thou art my
…brother, of an honest and good stocke, for I know
…Ananias, and Ionathas, sons of that great Samaias,
…as we went together to Ierusalem to worship, and
…offered the first borne, and the tenths of the fruits,
…and they were not seduced with the errour of our
…brethren: my brother thou art of a good stocke.
14 But tell me what wages shall I giue thee? *wilt thou* a drachme a day and things necessary, as
…to mine owne sonne?
15 Yea, moreouer, if ye returne safe, I will adde
…something to the wages.
16 So they were well pleased. Then said he to
…Tobias: Prepare thy selfe for the iourney, and God
…send you a good iourney. And when his sonne had
…prepared all things for the iourney, his father said:
…Goe thou with this man, and God which dwelleth
…in heauen prosper your iourney, and the Angel of
…God keepe you company: so they went forth both,
…and the yong mans dog with them.
17 But Anna his mother wept, and said to Tobit,
…Why hast thou sent away our sonne? is he not the
…staffe of our hand in going in and out before vs?
18 Be not greedy (to adde) money to money:
…but let it be as refuse in respect of our child.
19 For that which the Lord hath giuen vs to
…liue with, doth suffice vs.
20 Then said Tobit to her, Take no care my sister,
…he shall returne in safety, & thine eyes shall see him.
21 For the good Angel will keepe him company
…and his iourney shall be prosperous, and he shall re-
…turne safe.
22 Then she made an end of weeping.

CHAP. VI.

*The Angel biddeth Tobias to take the liuer,
…heart, and gall out of a fish, 10 and to marry Sara,
…the daughter of Raguel, 16 and teacheth how to
…driue the wicked spirit away.*

AND so they went on their iourney, they came
…in the euening to the riuer Tigris, and they
…lodged there.
2 And when the yong man went downe to wash
…himselfe a fish leaped out of the riuer, and would
…haue deuoured him.
3 Then the Angel said to him, Take the fish; and
…the young man laid hold of the fish, and drew it
…to land.
4 To whom the Angel said, Open the fish, and
…take the heart, and the liuer, and the gall, and put
…them vp safely.
5 So the yong man did as the Angel commanded
…him: and when they had rosted the fish, they did eat
…it: then they both went on their way, till they
…drew neere to Ecbatane.
6 Then the yong man said to the Angel, Brother
…Azarias, to what vse is the heart, and the liuer, and
…the gall of the fish?
7 And he said vnto him, Touching the heart and
…the liuer, if a deuill or an euill spirit trouble any,
…we must make a smoake thereof before the man or
…the woman, and the party shall be no more vexed.
8 As for the gall, *it is good* to anoynt a man that
…hath whitenes in his eyes, and he shall be healed.
9 And when they were come neere to Rages,
10 The

*Let me
…many be
…added, but
…be the off-
…scouring
…of our
…sonne.
…For, so
…long as
…God hath
…granted
…vs to liue
…then is
…sufficient.*

*Cast it
…vpon the
…land.*

10 The Angel said to the young man, Brother, to day we shall lodge with Raguel, who is thy cousin: he also hath one only daughter, named Sara, I will speak for her, that she may be giuen thee for a wife,

11 For to thee doeth the ‖ right of her appertaine, seeing thou only art of her kindred:

12 And the maid is faire and wise; now therefore heare mee, and I will speake to her father, and when we returne from Rages, we will celebrate the marriage: for I know that Raguel cannot marry her to another, according to the Law of Moses, but he shall be guilty of death, because the right of inheritance doth rather appertaine vnto thee, then to any other.

13 Then the yong man answered the Angel, I haue heard, brother Azarias, that this maid hath beene giuen to seuen men, who all dyed in the marriage chamber.

14 And now I am the onely sonne of my father, and I am afraid, lest if I goe in vnto her, I die as the other before, for a wicked spirit loueth her, which hurteth no body, but those which come to her: wherefore I also feare, lest I die, and bring my fathers and my mothers life (because of me) to the graue with sorrow, for they haue no other sonne to bury them.

15 Then the Angel said vnto him, Doest thou not remember the precepts which thy father gaue thee, that thou shouldest marry a wife of thine owne kinred? Wherefore heare me, O my brother, for she shalbe giuen thee to wife; and make thou no reckoning of the euill spirit; for this same night shall she be giuen thee in marriage.

16 And when thou shalt come into the marriage chamber, thou shalt take the ‖ ashes of perfume, and shalt lay vpon them some of the heart and liuer of the fish and shalt make a smoake with it.

17 And the deuill shall smell it, & flee away, and neuer come againe any more: but when thou shalt come to her, rise vp both of you, and pray to God, which is mercifull, who will haue pity on you, and saue you: feare not, for she is appointed vnto thee from the beginning, and thou shalt preserue her, and she shall goe with thee. Moreouer, I suppose that she shall beare thee children. Now when Tobias had heard these things, he loued her, and his heart was ‖ effectually ioyned to her.

CHAP. VII.

11 *Raguel tellith Tobias what had happened to his daughter:* 12 *and giueth her in marriage vnto him.* 17 *She is conueighed to her chamber, and weepeth.* 18 *Her mother comforteth her.*

AND when they were come to Ecbatane, they came to the house of Raguel, and Sara met them: and after that they had saluted one another, she brought them into the house.

2 Then said Raguel to Edna his wife, How like is this yong man to Tobit my cousin?

3 And Raguel asked them, From whence are you brethren? To whom they said, We are of the sons of Nephthali, which are captiues in Ninene.

4 Then he said vnto them, Doe ye know Tobit our kinsman? And they said, We know him. Then said he, Is he in good health?

5 And they said, He is both aliue, and in good health: and Tobias said, He is my father.

6 Then Raguel leaped vp, and kissed him, and wept,

7 And blessed him and said vnto him, Thou art the sonne of an honest and good man: but when he had heard that Tobit was blind, he was sorrowfull and wept.

8 And likewise Edna his wife, and Sara his daughter wept. Moreouer, they entertained him cheerefully; and after that they had killed a ram of the flocke, they set store of meat on the table. Then said Tobias to Raphael, Brother Azarias, speake of those things, of which thou didst talke the way, and let this businesse be dispatched.

9 So he communicated the matter with Raguel: and Raguel said vnto Tobias, Eate and drinke, and make merry.

10 For it is meet that thou shouldest marry my daughter: neuertheless, I will declare vnto thee the trueth.

11 I haue giuen my daughter in marriage to seuen men, who died that night they came in vnto her; neuertheless, for the present be merry. Tobias said, I will eat nothing here, till we agree and sweare one to another.

12 Raguel said. Then take her from hence according to the ‖ manner, for thou art her next kinsman, and she is thine, and the mercifull God giue you good successe in all things.

13 Then he called his daughter Sara, and she came to her father: and he tooke her by the hand, and gaue her to be wife to Tobias, saying, Behold, take her after * the Law of Moses, and lead her away to thy father. And he blessed them,

14 And called Edna his wife, & tooke paper, and did write an instrument of couenants, & sealed it.

15 Then they began to eate.

16 After Raguel called his wife Edna, and said vnto her, Sister, prepare another chamber, and bring her in thither.

17 Which when shee had done as he had bidden her, she brought her thither, and shee wept, and received the teares of her daughter, and said vnto her,

18 Be of good comfort, my daughter, the Lord of heauen and earth giue thee ioy for this thy sorrow: and be of good comfort, my daughter.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *Tobias driueth the wicked spirit away and was taught.* 4 *He and his wife rise vp in the night to pray.* 10 *Raguel thought he was dead:* 15 *But finding him aliue, praiseth God,* 19 *and maketh a feasting Feast.*

AND when they had supped, they brought Tobias in vnto her.

2 And as he went, hee remembred the words of Raphael, and tooke the ashes of the perfumes, and put the heart, and the liuer of the fish thereon, and made a smoake therewith.

3 The which when the euill spirit smelled, he fled into the vttermost parts of Egypt, and the Angel bound him.

4 And after that they were both alone together, Tobias rose out of the bed, and said, Sister, arise, and let vs pray that God would haue pity on vs.

5 Then began Tobias to say, Blessed art thou, O God of our fathers, and blessed is thy holy and glorious Name for euer, let the heauens bless thee, and all thy creatures.

6 Thou madest Adam, & gauest him * for his helper and stay [illegible] thou hast said, It is not good that man should be alone, let vs make vnto him an helpe like to himself.

7 And now, O Lord, I take not this my sister for lust, but vprightly: that thou mercifully ordain that we may become aged together.

8 And she said with him, Amen.

9 So they slept both that night, and Raguel rose, and went and made a grauy

‖ Or, inheritance. * Num. 27.8 & 36.8.

‖ Or, ashes.

‖ For, ordinarily.

saying, *I feare lest he be dead.*
But when Raguel was come into his house,
He said vnto his wife Edna, Send one of the
girls, and let her see whether he be aliue: if *he be*
aliue, that we may bury him, and no man know it.
So the maid opened the doore, and went in,
and found them both a sleepe,
And came foorth, and told them that he was
aliue.
Then Raguel praised God, and said, O God,
thou art worthy to bee praised with all pure and
holy praise: therefore let thy Saints praise thee
with all thy creatures, and let all thine Angels, and
thine Elect praise thee for euer.
Thou art to bee praised, for thou hast made
me ioyfull, and that is not come to mee which I
looked for: but thou hast dealt with vs according to
thy great mercy.
Thou art to be praised, because thou hast had
mercy of two, that were the onely begotten chil-
dren of their fathers, grant them mercy, O Lord,
and finish their life in health, with ioy and mercy.
Then Raguel bade his seruants to fill the
graue.
And he kept the wedding feast foureteene
dayes.
For before the dayes of the marriage were
fulfilled, Raguel had said vnto him by an oath, that
he should not depart, till the foureteene dayes of
the marriage were expired,
And then he should take the halfe of his goods
and goe in safety to his father, and should haue the
rest when I and my wife be dead.

CHAP. IX.

1 Tobias seeketh the Angel vnto Gabael for the
money. 6 The Angel bringeth it: and Gabael to the
wedding.

Then Tobias called Raphael, & said vnto him,
Brother Azarias, take with thee a seruant,
and two camels, and goe to Rages of Media, to Ga-
bael, and bring me the money, and bring him to the
wedding.
For Raguel hath sworne that I shal not depart.
But my father counteth the daies, and if I tarry
long he will be very sorry.
So Raphael went out, and lodged with Gabael,
and gaue him the hand-writing, who brought forth
bags which were sealed vp, and gaue them to him.
And early in the morning, they went forth both
together, and came to the wedding, and Tobias
blessed his wife.

CHAP. X.

1 Tobit and his wife long for their sonne. 7 She
will not be comforted by her husband. 10 Raguel
sendeth Tobias and his wife away, with halfe his
goods, 12 and blesseth them.

NOw Tobit his father counted euery day, and
when the dayes of the iourney were expired,
and they came not:
Then Tobit said, Are they detained? or is Ga-
bael dead? and there is no man to giue him the
money?
Therefore he was very sorry.
Then his wife said to him, My sonne is
dead, seeing hee staieth long: and shee began to
bewaile him, and said,
Now I care for nothing, my sonne, *since I haue*
let thee go, the light of mine eyes.
To whom Tobit said, hold thy peace, take no
care; for he is safe.
But shee said, Hold thy peace, and deceiue me
not, my sonne is dead, and shee went out euery day
into the way which they went, and did eat no meat
on the day time, and ceased not whole nights to
bewaile her sonne Tobias, vntill the foureteene
dayes of the wedding were expired, which Raguel
had sworne that he should spend there: Then To-
bias said to Raguel, Let me goe, for my father and
my mother looke no more to see me.
But his father in law said vnto him, Tary with
mee, and I will send to thy father, and they shall
declare vnto him how things goe with thee.
But Tobias said, No, but let mee goe to my
father.
Then Raguel arose, and gaue him Sara his wife,
and halfe his goods, seruants, and cattell, & money.
And he blessed them, and sent them away, say-
ing, the God of heauen giue you a prosperous iour-
ney, my children.
And hee said to his daughter, Honour thy fa-
ther and thy mother in law, which are now thy pa-
rents, that I may heare good report of thee; and
he kissed her. Edna also said vnto Tobias, The Lord
of heauen restore thee, my deare brother, and grant
that I may see thy children of my daughter Sara,
before I die, that I may reioyce before the Lord:
behold, I commit my daughter vnto thee ‖ of spe-
ciall trust, wherefore doe not intreat her euill.

‖ Or, to be safely kept.

CHAP. XI.

1 Tobias mother spieth her sonne comming. 10 His
father meeteth him at the doore, and recouereth his
sight. 14 He praiseth God, 17 and welcommeth his
daughter in law.

AFter these things, Tobias went his way prai-
sing God, that he had giuen him a prosperous
iourney, and blessed Raguel and Edna his wife, and
went on his way til they drew neere vnto Nineue.
Then Raphael said to Tobias, Thou knowest
brother, how thou didst leaue thy father.
Let vs haste before thy wife, and prepare the
house.
And take in thine hand the gall of the fish: so
they went their way, and the dog went after them.
Now Anna sate looking about towards the
way for her sonne.
And when she espied him comming, shee said
to his father, Behold thy sonne commeth, and the
man that went with him.
Then said Raphael, I know Tobias, that thy
father will open his eyes.
Therefore anoint thou his eyes with the gall,
and being pricked therewith, he shall rub, and the
whitenesse shall fall away, and he shall see thee.
Then Anna ran foorth, and fell vpon the necke
of her sonne, and said vnto him, Seeing I haue seene
thee, my sonne, from henceforth I am content to
die, and they wept both.
Tobit also went forth toward the doore, and
stumbled: but his sonne ran vnto him,
And tooke hold of his father, and he strake of
the gall on his fathers eyes, saying, Be of good hope
my father.
And when his eyes began to smart, hee rubbed
them.
And the whitenesse pilled away from the cor-
ners of his eyes, and when he saw his sonne, he fell
vpon his necke.
And he wept, and said, Blessed art thou, O God,
and blessed is thy Name for euer, and blessed are
all thine holy Angels.
For thou hast scourged, and hast taken pity on
mee: for behold I see my sonne Tobias. And his
sonne went in reioycing, and told his father the
great things that had hapned to him in Media.

16 Then Tobit went out to meet his daughter in law at the gate of Nineue, reioycing and praising God: and they which saw him goe, marueiled, because he had receiued his sight.

17 But Tobit giue thankes before them: because God had mercy on him. And when hee came neere to Sara his daughter in law, he blessed her, saying, Thou art welcome daughter: God be blessed which hath brought thee vnto vs, and blessed be thy father and thy mother, and there was ioy among all his brethren which were at Nineue.

18 And Achiacharus, ‖ and Nasbas his brothers sonne came.

‖ Iunius, who is also called, Naabat.

19 And Tobias wedding was kept seuen dayes with great ioy.

CHAP. XII.

5 Tobit offereth halfe to the Angel for his paines. 6 But he calleth them both aside, and exhorteth them, 15 and telleth them that he was an Angel, 21 and was seene no more.

THen Tobit called his sonne Tobias, and said vnto him, My sonne, see that the man haue his wages, which went with thee, and thou muſt giue him more.

2 And Tobias said vnto him, O father, it is no harme to mee to giue him halfe of those things which I haue brought.

3 For he hath brought me againe to thee in safetie, and made whole my wife, and brought me the money, and likewise healed thee.

4 Then the old man said, It is due vnto him.

5 So he called the Angel, and he said vnto him, Take halfe of all that yee haue brought, and goe away in safetie.

6 Then he [illegible] them both a part, and said vnto them, Bleſſe God, praiſe him and magnifie him, and praiſe him for the things which he hath done vnto you in the ſight of all that liue. It is good to praiſe God, and exalt his Name, and ‖ honourably to ſhew forth the workes of God, therefore be not ſlacke to praiſe him.

‖ Or, with honour.

7 It is good to keep cloſe the ſecret of a king: but it is honourable to reueale the workes of God: doe that which is good, and no euill ſhall touch you.

8 Prayer is good with faſting, and almes, and righteouſneſſe: a little with righteouſnes is better then much with vnrighteouſneſs: it is better to giue almes, then to lay vp gold,

9 For almes doth deliuer from death, and ſhall purge away all ſinne. Thoſe that exerciſe almes and righteouſneſſe, ſhalbe filled with life.

10 But they that ſinne, are enemies to their owne life.

11 Surely, I will keepe cloſe nothing from you, For I ſaid, It was good to keepe cloſe the ſecret of a King, but that it was honourable to reueale the workes of God.

12 Now therefore when thou diddeſt pray, and Sara thy daughter in law, I did bring the remembrance of your prayers before the holy One, and when thou diddeſt bury the dead, I was with thee likewiſe.

13 And when thou didſt not delay to riſe vp, and leaue thy dinner, † to go & couer the dead, thy good deed was not hid from me, but I was with thee.

† Greeke, to go and bury.

14 And now God hath ſent me to heale thee, and Sara thy daughter in law.

15 I am Raphael, one of the ſeuen holy Angels, which preſent the praiers of the Saints, and which goe in and out before the glory of the holy One.

16 Then they were both troubled, and fell vpon their faces, for they feared.

17 But hee ſaid vnto them, feare not, for it ſhall goe well with you: praiſe God therefore,

18 For not of any fauour of mine, but by the will of our God I came: wherefore praiſe him for euer.

19 * All theſe dayes I did appeare vnto you, but I did neither eat nor drinke, but you did ſee a viſion.

20 Now therefore giue God thankes: for I goe vp to him that ſent me, but write all things which are done in a booke.

21 And when they roſe, they ſaw him no more.

22 Then they confeſſed the great and wonderfull workes of God, and how the Angel of the Lord had appeared vnto them.

CHAP. XIII.

The thanke-giuing vnto God that Tobit wrote.

THen Tobit wrote a prayer of reioycing, and ſaid, Bleſſed bee God that liueth for euer, and bleſſed be his kingdome:

2 * For hee doth ſcourge, and hath mercy: he leadeth downe to hell, and bringeth vp againe: neither is their any that can auoid his hand.

3 Confeſſe him before the Gentiles, ye children of Iſrael: for he hath ſcattered vs among them.

4 There declare his greatneſſe, and extoll him before all the liuing, for he is our Lord, and he is the God our Father for euer:

5 And he will ſcourge vs for our iniquities, and will haue mercy againe, and will gather vs out of all nations, among whom he hath ſcattered vs.

6 If you turne to him with your whole heart, and with your whole mind, and deale vprightly before him, then will he turne vnto you, and will not hide his face from you: Therefore ſee what he will doe with you, and confeſſe him with your whole mouth, and praiſe the Lord of might, and exalt the euerlaſting King: in the land of my captiuitie I praiſe him, and declare his might and Maieſtie to a ſinfull nation: O ye ſinners, turne and doe iuſtice before him: who can tell if he will accept you, and haue mercy on you?

7 I will extoll my God, and my ſoule ſhall praiſe the King of heauen, and ſhall reioyce in his greatneſſe.

8 Let all men ſpeake, and let all praiſe him for his righteouſneſſe.

9 O Ieruſalem the holy citie, hee will ſcourge thee for thy childrens workes, and will haue mercy againe on the ſonnes of the righteous.

10 Giue praiſe to the Lord for he is good: & praiſe the euer laſting King, that his Tabernacle may be builded in thee againe with ioy: & let him make ioyfull there in thee, thoſe that are captiues, and loue in thee for euer thoſe that are miſerable.

11 Many nations ſhall come from farre to the Name of the Lord God with gifts in their hands, euen gifts to the King of heauen: all generations ſhall praiſe thee with great ioy.

12 Curſed are all they which hate thee, and bleſſed ſhall all be, which loue thee for euer.

13 Reioyce and bee glad for the children of the Iuſt: for they ſhalbe gathered together, and ſhall bleſſe the Lord of the Iuſt.

14 O bleſſed are they which loue thee, for they ſhall reioyce in thy ‖ peace: bleſſed are they which haue beene ſorrowfull for all thy ſcourges, for they ſhall reioyce for thee, when they haue ſeene all thy glory, and ſhalbe glad for euer.

‖ Or, welfare.

15 Let my ſoule bleſſe God, the great King.

16 For Ieruſalem ſhalbe built vp with Saphires and Emeraulds, and precious ſtones: thy walls and towers, and battlements with pure gold.

17 And

17 And the ſtreets of Ieruſalem ſhall bee paued with Berill, and Carbuncle, and ſtones of Ophir.

18 And all her ſtreets ſhall ſay, Halleluia, and they ſhall praiſe him, ſaying, bleſſed be God which hath exalted it for euer.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 Tobit giueth inſtructions to his ſonne, 8 ſpecially to leaue Nineue. 11 Hee and his wife die, and are buried. 12 Tobias remoueth to Ecbatane, 14 and there dieth, after he had heard of the deſtruction of Nineue.

THus Tobit made an end of praiſing God.

2 And he was eight and fifty yeres old when he loſt his ſight, which was reſtored to him after eight yeeres, and he gaue almes, and he ‖ increaſed in the feare of the Lord God, and praiſed him.

3 And when he was very aged, he called his ſonne and the ſeuen ſonnes of his ſon, and ſaid to him, My ſonne take thy children; for behold, I am aged, and am ready to depart out of this life.

4 Goe into Media, my ſonne, for I ſurely beleeue thoſe things which Ionas the Prophet ſpake of Nineue, that it ſhall be ouerthrowne, and that for ſome peace ſhal rather be in Media, and that our brethren ſhall lie ſcattered in the earth, from that good land, and Ieruſalem ſhall be deſolate, and the houſe of God in it ſhall be burned, and ſhall be deſolate for a time.

5 * And that againe God will haue mercy on them, and bring them againe into the land where they ſhall build a Temple, but not like to the firſt, vntill the time of that age bee fulfilled, and afterward they ſhall returne from all places of their captiuity, and build vp Ieruſalem glorioully, and the houſe of God ſhal be built in it ‖ for euer, with glorious building, as the Prophets haue ſpoken thereof.

6 And all nations ſhal turne and feare the Lord God truely, and ſhall bury their idols.

7 So ſhall all nations praiſe the Lord, and his people ſhall confeſſe God, and the Lord ſhall exalt his people: and all thoſe which loue the Lord God in trueth and iuſtice, ſhall reioyce, ſhewing mercy to our brethren.

8 And now my ſonne, depart out of Nineue, becauſe that thoſe things which the Prophet Ionas ſpake, ſhall ſurely come to paſſe.

9 But keepe thou the Law and the Commandements, and ſhew thy ſelfe mercifull and iuſt, that it may goe well with thee.

10 And bury mee decently, and thy mother with me, but tarry no longer at Nineue. Remember my ſon, how Aman handled Achiacharus that brought him vp, how out of light hee brought him into darkneſſe, and how he rewarded him againe: yet Achiacharus was ‖ ſaued, but the other had his reward, for he went downe into darkneſſe. ‖ Manaſſes gaue almes, and eſcaped the ſnares of death ‖ which they had ſet for him: but Aman fell into the ſnare, and periſhed.

11 Wherefore now my ſon, conſider what almes doth, and how righteouſneſſe doth deliuer. When he had ſaid theſe things hee gaue vp the ghoſt in the bed, being an hundred and eight and fifty yeres old, and ‖ he buried him honourably.

12 And when Anna his mother was dead, he buried her with his father: but Tobias departed with his wife and children to Ecbatane, to Raguel his father in law:

13 Where he became old with honour, & he buried his father and mother in law honourably, and he ‖ inherited their ſubſtance, & his father Tobits.

14 And hee died at Ecbitane in Media, being an hundred and ſeuen and twenty yeeres old.

15 But before he died, he heard of the deſtruction of Nineue, which was taken by Nabuchodonoſor and Aſſuerus: and before his death he reioyced ouer Nineue.

or, preſerued.
Iunius readeth Nitſbam.
R m. which he had ſet.
Or, they.
Or, poſſeſſed.

¶ IVDETH.

CHAP. I.

1 Arphaxad doth fortifie Ecbatane. 5 Nabuchonoſor maketh warre againſt him, 7 and craueth aide. 12 Hee threatneth thoſe that would not aide him, 15 and killeth Arphaxad, 16 and returneth to Nineue.

IN the twelfth yeere of the reigne of Nabuchodonoſor, who reigned in Nineue the great citty, (in the daues of Arphaxad, which reigned ouer the Medes in Ecbatane,

2 And built in Ecbatane walles round about of hewen ſtones, three cubites broad, and ſixe cubites long, and made the height of the wall ſeuenty cubites, and the breadth thereof fifty cubites.

3 And ſet the towers thereof vpon the gates of an hundred cubits *high*, and the breadth thereof in the foundation threeſcore cubites.

4 And he made the gates thereof, euen gates that were raiſed to the height of ſeuenty cubites, and the breadth of them was forty cubites, for the going forth of his mighty armies, and for the ſetting in aray of his footmen.)

5 Euen in thoſe dayes King Nabuchodonoſor made warre with King Arphaxad in ‖ the great plaine, which is the plaine in the borders of Ragau.

6 And there came vnto him all they that dwelt in the hill countrey, and all that dwelt by Euphrates, and Tigris, and Hydaſpes, and the plaine of Arioch, the King of the Elymeans, and very many nations of the ſonnes of Chelod, aſſembled themſelues to the battell.

7 Then Nabuchodonoſor King of the Aſſyrians, ſent vnto all that dwelt in Perſia, and to all that dwelt Weſtward, and to thoſe that dwelt in Cilicia, and Damaſcus, and Libanus, and Antilibanus, and to all that dwelt vpon the Sea-coaſt,

8 And to thoſe amongſt the nations that were of Carmel, and Galaad, and the higher Galilee, and the great plaine of Eſdrelon,

9 And to all that were in Samaria & the cities thereof, & beyond Iordan vnto Ieruſalem, and Botane, and Chellus, and Cades, & the riuer of Egypt, and Taphnes, & Rameſſe, and all the land of Geſem,

10 Vntill you come beyond Tanis, and Memphis, and to all the inhabitants of Egypt, vntil you come to the borders of Ethiopia.

11 But all the inhabitants of the land made light of the commandement of Nabuchodonoſor King of the Aſſyrians, neither went they with him to the battell for they were not afraid of him, for he was before them as one man, & they ſent away his Ambaſſadours from them without effect, & with diſgrace.

12 Therefore Nabuchodonoſor was very angry with all this countrey, & ſware by his throne and kingdome, that hee would ſurely be auenged vpon

all those coasts of Cilicia, and Damascus, and Syria, and that hee would slay with the sword all the inhabitants of the land of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and all Iudea, and all that were in Egypt, till you come to the borders of the two seas.

13 Then hee marched in battell aray with his power against King Arphaxad, in the seuenteenth yeere, and he preuailed in his battell: for he ouerthrew all the power of Arphaxad, and all his horsemen, and all his chariots,

14 And became lord of his cities, and came vnto Ecbatane, and tooke the towers, and spoiled the streets thereof, and turned the beauty thereof into shame.

15 He tooke also Arphaxad in the mountaines of Ragau, and smote him thorow with his darts, and destroyed him vtterly that day.

16 So he returned afterward to Nineue, both he and all his company of sundry nations: being a very great multitude of men of warre, and there he tooke his ease, and banqueted, both he and his army, an hundred and twenty dayes.

CHAP. II.

4 Olofernes is appointed generall, 11 and charged to spare none that will not yeeld. 15 His army and prouision. 23 The places which he wonne and wasted as he went.

AND in the eighteenth yeere, the two and twentieth day of the first moneth, there was talke in the house of Nabuchodonosor King of the Assyrians, that he should, as he said, auenge himselfe on all the earth.

2 So hee called vnto him all his officers, and all his nobles, and communicated with them his secret counsell, * and concluded the afflicting of the whole earth out of his owne mouth.

* 1. Sam. 20.7. and 25.17.

3 Then they decreed to destroy all flesh that did not obey the commandement of his mouth.

4 And when he had ended his counsell, Nabuchodonosor King of the Assyrians, called Olofernes the chiefe Captaine of his army, which was † next vnto him, and said vnto him,

† Greeke, second man.

5 Thus saith the great King, the lord of the whole earth: Behold, thou shalt goe foorth from my presence, and take with thee men that trust in their owne strength, of footmen an hundred and twenty thousand, and the number of horses with their riders twelue thousand.

6 And thou shalt goe against all the West countrey, because they disobeyed my commandement.

7 And thou shalt declare vnto them, that they prepare for mee ‖ earth and water: for I will goe forth in my wrath against them, and will couer the whole face of the earth with the feet of mine armie, and I will giue them for a spoile vnto them.

‖ Or, after the manner of the Kings of Persia, to whom earth and water was wont to be giuen to acknowledge that they were lords of land and sea, Herodotus.

8 So that their slaine shall fill their valleys, and brookes, and the riuer shall bee filled with their dead, till it ouerflow.

9 And I will leade them captiues to the vtmost parts of all the earth.

10 Thou therefore shalt goe foorth, and take beforehand for mee all their coasts, and if they will yeeld themselues vnto thee, thou shalt reserue them for me till the day of their punishment.

11 But concerning them that rebell, let not thine eye spare them: but put them to the slaughter, and spoile them where soeuer thou goest.

12 For as I liue, and by the power of my kingdome, whatsoeuer I haue spoken, that will I doe by mine hand.

13 And take thou heed that thou transgresse none of the commandements of thy lord, but accomplish them fully, as I haue commanded thee, and deferre not to doe them.

14 Then Olofernes went forth from the presence of his lord, and called all the gouernours and captaines, and the officers of the army of Assur,

15 And he mustered the chosen men for the battell, as his lord had commanded him, vnto an hundred and twenty thousand, and twelue thousand archers on horsebacke.

16 And he ranged them as a great army is ordered for the warre.

17 And he tooke camels and asses for their carriages, a very great number, and sheepe, and oxen, and goats without number for their prouision,

18 And plenty of victuall for euery man of the army, and very much gold and siluer out of the Kings house.

19 Then he went forth, and all his power, to go before King Nabuchodonosor in the voyage, and to couer all the face of ‖ earth Westward with their charets and horsemen, and their chosen footmen.

20 A great multitude also of sundry countreys came with them like locusts, and like the sand of the earth: for the multitude was without number.

21 And they went foorth of Nineue three dayes iourney toward the plaine of Bectileth, and pitched from Bectileth neere the mountaine, which is at the left hand of the vpper Cilicia.

22 Then he tooke all his army, his footmen, and horsemen, and chariots, and went from thence into the hill countrey;

23 And destroyed Phud and Lud: and spoiled all the children of Rasses, and the children of Ismael, which were toward the wildernesse, at the South of the land of the Chelleans.

24 Then he went ouer Euphrates, and went through Mesopotamia, and destroyed all the high cities that were vpon the riuer Arbonai, till you come to the Sea.

25 And he tooke the borders of Cilicia, and killed all that resisted him, and came to the border of Iapheth, which were toward the South, ouer against Arabia.

26 Hee compassed also all the children of Madian, and burnt vp their Tabernacles, and spoiled their sheepe-coates.

27 Then hee went downe into the plaine of Damascus in the time of wheat haruest, and burnt vp all their fields, and destroyed their flocks and herds, also he spoiled their cities, and vtterly wasted their countreys, and smote all their young men with the edge of the sword.

28 Therfore the feare & dread of him fell vpon all the inhabitants of the Sea coasts, which were in Zidon, and Tyrus, and them that dwelt in Sur, and Ocina, and all that dwelt in Iemnaan, & they that dwelt in Azotus and Ascalon feared him greatly.

CHAP. III.

1 They of the Sea coast submit for peace. 7 Olofernes is received there: 8 Yet hee destroyeth their gods, that they might worship onely Nabuchodonosor. 9 He commeth neere to Iudea.

SO they sent Ambassadours vnto him to treat of peace, saying,

2 Behold, wee the seruants of Nabuchodonosor the great King lie before thee, vse vs as shall be good in thy sight.

3 Behold, our houses, and all our places, and all our fields of wheat, and flocke, and herds, and all the lodges of our tents lie before thy face: vse them as it pleaseth thee.

4 Behold, euen our cities, and the inhabitants

thereof are thy seruants, come and deale with them according as seemeth good vnto thee.

5 So the men came to Olofernes, and I declared vnto him after this manner.

6 Then came he downe toward the sea coast, both he and his army, and set garisons in the high cities and tooke out of them chosen men for aid.

7 So they and all the countrey round about, receiued them with garlands, with dances, and with Timbrels.

8 Yet he did cast downe their frontires, and cut downe their groues, for he had decreed to destroy all the gods of the land; that all Nations should worship Nabuchodonosor only, and that all tongues and Tribes should call vpon him as God.

9 Also he came ouer against Esdraelon, neere vnto Iudea, ouer against the † great strait of Iudea,

10 And he pitched betwixt Geba and Scythopolis, and there he taried a whole month, that he might gather together all the carriages of his army.

CHAP. IIII.

4 The Iewes are afraid of Olofernes 5 and for the strength. 6 They of Bethulia take charge of the passages. 9 All Israel fall to fasting and prayer.

NOw the children of Israel that dwelt in Iudea, heard all that Olofernes the chiefe captain of Nabuchodonosor king of the Assyrians had done to the nations, and after what manner he had spoyled all their Temples, and brought them to nought.

2 Therfore they were exceedingly afraid of him, and were troubled for Ierusalem, and for the Temple of the Lord their God.

3 For they were newly returned from the captiuity, and all the people of Iudea were lately gathered together: and the vessels, and the Altar, and the house were sanctified after the prophanation.

4 Therefore they sent into all the coasts of Samaria, and the villages, and to Bethoron, and Belmen, and Iericho, and to Choba, and Esora, and to the valley of Salem,

5 And possessed themselues before hand of all the tops of the high mountaines, and fortified the villages that were in them, and laid vp victuals for the prouision of war: for their fields were of late reaped.

6 Also Ioacim the high Priest which was in those dayes in Ierusalem, wrote to them that dwelt in Bethulia, and Betomestham, which is ouer against Esdrelon toward the open countrey neere to Dothaim,

7 Charging them to keepe the passages of the hill countrey: for by them there was an entrance into Iudea, and it was easie to stop them that would come vp, because the passage was strait, for two men at the most.

8 And the children of Israel did as Ioacim the high Priest had commanded them, with the Ancients of all the people of Israel which dwelt at Ierusalem.

9 Then euery man of Israel cryed to God with great feruency, and with great vehemency did they humble their soules:

10 Both they, and their wiues, and their children, and their cattell, and euery stranger, and hireling, and their seruants bought with money, put sackecloth vpon their loynes.

11 Thus euery man and woman, and the little children, and the Inhabitants of Ierusalem, fell before the Temple, and cast ashes vpon their heads; and spread out their sackecloth before the face of the Lord: also they put sackecloth about the Altar,

12 And cryed to the God of Israel all with one consent earnestly, that he would not giue their children for a prey, and their wiues for a spoile, and the Cities of their inheritance to destruction, and the Sanctuary to prophanation and reproch, and for the nations to reioyce at.

13 So God heard their prayers, and looked vpon their afflictions, for the people fasted many dayes in all Iudea and Ierusalem, before the Sanctuary of the Lord Almighty.

14 And Ioacim the high Priest, and all the Priest * that stood before the Lord, and they that ministred vnto the Lord, had their loines girt with sackecloth and offered the daily burnt offrings with the vowes and free gifts of the people,

15 And had ashes on their mitres, and cryed vnto the Lord with all their power, that he would looke vpon all the house of Israel graciously.

CHAP. V.

5 Achior telleth Olofernes what the Iewes are, 8 and what their God hath done for them. 21 and admyseth not to meddle with them. 22 All that heard him, were offended at him.

THen was it declared to Olofernes the chiefe Captaine of the army of Assur, that the children of Israel had prepared for war, and had shut vp the passages of the hill countrey, and had fortified † all the tops of the high hils, and had laid impediments in the champion countreys. † Gr. all the top.

2 Whereuith he was very angry, and called all the Princes of Moab, and the captaines of Ammon, and all the gouernours of the Sea coast.

3 And he said vnto them, Tell me now ye sons of Canaan, who this people is that dwelleth in the hill countrey? and what are the cities that they inhabit? and what is the multitude of their army? and wherein is their power and strength, and what king is set ouer them, or captaine of their army?

4 And why haue they determined not to come and meet me, more then all the inhabitants of the West?

5 *Then said Achior, the captaine of all the sons of Ammon: Let my lord now heare a word from the mouth of thy seruant, and I will declare vnto thee the truth, concerning this people which dwelleth neere thee, & inhabiteth the hil countrey: and there shall no lie come out of the mouth of thy seruant. *Chap. 11.7.9.

6 This people are descended of the Caldeans,

7 *And they soiourned heretofore in Mesopotamia, because they would not follow the gods of their fathers, which were in the land of Caldea. *Gene. 11.31. ‖Or, went out of.

8 For they ‖left the way of their ancestors, and worshipped the God of heauen, the God whom they knew: so they cast them out from the face of their gods, and they fled into Mesopotamia, and soiourned there many dayes.

9 Then * their God commanded them to depart from the place where they soiourned, and to go into the land of Chanaan, where they dwelt, and were increased with gold and siluer, and with very much cattell. *Gene. 12.1.

10 But when a famine couered all the land of Chanaan, they went downe into Egypt, and soiourned there, while they were nourished, and became there a great multitude, so that one could not number their nation.

11 Therefore the King of Egypt rose vp against them, and dealt subtilly with them, and brought them low with labouring in * bricke, and made them slaues. *Exod.

12 Then they cryed vnto their God, and he smote * all the land of Egypt with incurable plagues, so the * Egyptians cast them out of their sight. * Exod. 12.31,33.

*Exod. 14.21. *Exod. 15.1. †Or into the wildernes of Sina. *Ioth. 12.8.

13 And * God dryed the red Sea before them:
14 And * brought them to mount † Sina, and Cades Barne, and cast foorth all that dwelt in the wildernesse.
15 So they dwelt in the land of the Amorites, and they destroyed by their strength all them of Esebon, and passing ouer Iordan, they possessed all the hill countrey.
16 * And they cast forth before them the Canaanites the Pherezite, the Iebusite, and the Sychemite, and all the Gergesites, and they dwelt in that countrey many dayes.
17 And whilest they sinned not before their God, they prospered, because the God that hateth iniquity was with them.

*Iudg. 2. 11.& 3.8. *2 Kings 25.1,11.

18 But * when they departed from the way which he appointed them, they were destroyed in many battels very sore, * and were led captiues into a land that was not theirs, and the Temple of their God was cast to the ground, and their cities were taken by the enemies.

*Ezra 1.1,3.

19 But * now are they returned to their God, and are come vp from the places where they were scattered, and haue possessed Ierusalem, where their Sanctuary is, and ‖ are seated in the hill countrey, for it was desolate.

‖Or, haue their dwellings

20 Now therefore my lord and gouernour, if there be any error in this people, & they sin against their God, let vs consider, that this shall be their ruine, and let vs goe vp, and we shall ouercome them.
21 But if there be no iniquity in their nation, let my lord now passe by, lest their Lord defend them, and their God be for them, and we become a reproach before all the world.
22 And when Achior had finished these sayings, all the people standing round about the tent murmured, and the chiefe men of Olofernes, and all that dwelt by the Sea side, and in Moab, spake that he should kill him.
23 For *say they*, we will not be afraid of the face of the children of Israel, for lo, it is a people that haue no strength, nor power † for a strong battell.

†Greeke, against a mighty army.

24 Now therefore, lord Olofernes, we will goe vp, and they shall be a prey to be deuoured of all thine army.

CHAP. VI.

1 Olofernes despiseth God. 7 He threatneth Achior, and sendeth him away. 14 The Bethulians receiue and beare him. 18 They fall to prayer, and comfort Achior.

AND when the tumult of men that were about the councill was ceased, Olofernes the chiefe Captaine of the army of Assur, said vnto Achior, and all the Moabites, before all the company of other nations,
2 And who art thou Achior, and the hirelings of Ephraim, that thou hast prophesied amongst vs as to day, & hast said, that we should not make war with the people of Israel, because their God will defend them? and who is God but Nabuchodonosor?
3 He will send his power, and will destroy them from the face of the earth, and their God shall not deliuer them: but we his seruants will destroy them as one man, for they are not able to sustaine the power of our horses:
4 For with them we will tread them vnder foot, and their mountaines shall be drunken with their blood, and their fields shall be filled with their dead bodies, and their footsteps shall not be able to stand before vs, for they shall vtterly perish, saith King Nabuchodonosor, lord of all the earth, for he said, None of my words shall be in vaine.
5 And thou Achior, an hireling of Ammon, which hast spoken these words in the day of thine iniquity shalt see my face no more from this day, vntil I take vengeance of this nation that came out of Egypt.
6 And then shall the sword of mine army, and the multitude of them that serue me, passe thorow thy sides, and thou shalt fall among their slaine, when I returne.
7 Now therefore, my seruants shall bring thee backe into the hill countrey, and shall set thee in one of the cities of the passages.
8 And thou shalt not perish till thou be destroyed with them.
9 And if thou perswade thy selfe in thy minde, that they shall not be taken, let not thy countenance fall: I haue spoken it, and none of my words shall be in vaine.
10 Then Olofernes commanded his seruants that waited in his tent, to take Achior, and bring him to Bethulia, and deliuer him into the hands of the children of Israel.
11 So his seruants took him, and brought him out of the camp into the plaine, and they went from the midst of the plaine into the hill countrey, and came vnto the fountaines that were vnder Bethulia.
12 And when the men of the city saw them, they took vp their weapons, and went out of the city to the topof the hill, and euery man that vsed a sling, kept them from comming vp, by casting of stones against them.
13 Neuertheless, hauing gotten priuily vnder the hill, they bound Achior, and cast him downe, and left him at the foot of the hill, and returned to their lord.
14 But the Israelites descended from their city, and came vnto him, and loosed him, and brought him into Bethulia, and presented him to the gouernours of the city,
15 Which were in those dayes, Ozias the sonne of Micha, of the Tribe of Simeon, and Chabris the sonne of Gothoniel, and Charmis the sonne of Melchiel.
16 And they called together all the Ancients of the city, and all their youth ranne together, and their women to the assembly, and the first Achior into the midst of all their people. Then Ozias asked him that which was done.
17 And he answered, and declared vnto them the words of the counsell of Olofernes, and all the words that he had spoken in the midst of the princes of Assur, and what soeuer Olofernes had spoken proudly against the house of Israel.
18 Then the people fell downe, and worshipped God, and cryed vnto God, saying,
19 O Lord God of heauen, behold their pride, and pitty the low estate of our nation, & looke vpon the face of those that are sanctified vnto thee this day.
20 Then they comforted Achior, and praised him greatly.
21 And Ozias tooke him out of the assembly vnto his house, and made a feast to the Elders, and they called on the God of Israel all that night for help.

CHAP. VII.

1 Olofernes besiegeth Bethulia, 7 and stoppeth the water from them. 22 They faint and murmure against the Gouernours, 30 Who promise to yeeld within fiue dayes.

THE next day Olofernes commanded all his army, and all his people which were come to take his part, that they should remoue their campe against Bethulia, to take afore hand the accesses of the hill countrey, and to make warre against the children of Israel.

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1 Then their ſtrong men remooned their campes in that day, and the army of the men of warre was an hundred and ſeuenty thouſand footmen, and twelue thouſand horſemen, beſide the baggage and other men that were afoot amongſt them, a very great multitude.

3 And they camped in the valley neere vnto Bethulia, by the fountaine, ard they ſpread themſelues in breadth ‖ ouer Dothaim, euento Belmaim, and in length from Bethulia vnto † Cyamon, which is ouer against Eſdraelon.

4 Now the children of Iſrael, when they ſaw the multitude of them, were greatly troubled, and ſaid euery one to his neighbour; Now will theſe men licke vp the face of the earth; for neither the high mountaines, nor the valleys, nor the hils are able to beare their weight.

5 Then euery man took vp his weapons of warre, and when they had kindled fires vpon their towers they remained and watched all that night.

6 But in the ſecond day Oloſernes brought forth all his horſemen, in the ſight of the children of Iſrael, which were in Bethulia,

7 And viewed the paſſages vp to the city, and came to the fountaine of their waters, and tooke them, and ſet garriſons of men of warre ouer them, and he himſelfe remoued towards his people.

8 Then came vnto him all the chiefe of the children of Eſau, and all the gouernours of the people of Moab, and the captaines of the ſea coaſt, and ſaid

9 Let our lord now heare a word, that there be not an ouerthrow in thine army.

10 For this people of the children of Iſrael doe not truſt in their ſpeares, but in the height of the mountaines where in they dwell, becauſe it is not eaſie to come vp to the tops of their mountaines.

11 Now therefore my lord, fight not againſt them in battell aray, and there ſhall not ſo much as one man of thy people periſh.

12 Remaine in thy campe, and keepe all the men of thine army, and let thy ſeruants get into their hands the fountaine of water, which iſſueth forth of the foot of the mountaine.

13 For all the inhabitants of Bethulia haue their water thence: ſo ſhall thirſt kill them, and they ſhall giue vp their city, and we and our people ſhall goe vp to the tops of the mountaines that are next, and will campe vpon them, to watch that none goe out of the city.

14 So they, and their wiues, and their children, ſhall be conſumed with famine, and before the ſword come againſt them, they ſhalbe ouerthrowne in the ſtreets where they dwell.

15 Thus ſhalt thou render them an euill reward: becauſe they rebelled, and met not thy perſon peaceably.

16 And theſe words pleaſed Oloſernes, and all his ſeruants, and he appointed to doe as they had ſpoken.

17 So the campe of the children of Ammon departed, and with them fiue thouſand of the Aſſyrians, and they pitched in the valley, and tooke the waters, and the fountaines of the waters of the children of Iſrael.

18 Then the children of Eſau went vp, with the children of Ammon, and camped in the hill country ouer against Dothaem: and they ſent ſome of them toward the South, and toward the Eaſt, ouer against Ekrebel, which is neere vnto Chuſi, that is vpon the brooke Mochmur, and the reſt of the army of the Aſſyrians camped in the plaine, and couered the face of the whole land, and their tents and carriages were pitched to a very great multitude.

19 Then the children of Iſrael cryed vnto the Lord their God, becauſe their heart failed, for all their enemies had compaſſed them round about, and there was no way to eſcape out from among them.

20 Thus all the company of Aſſur remained about them, both their footmen, chariots, and horſemen foure and thirty dayes, ſo that all their veſſels of water failed all the inhabitants of Bethulia.

21 And the ‖ ciſternes were emptied, and they had no water to drinke their fill for one day; for they gaue them drinke by meaſure. ‖ Or, pits.

22 Therefore their young children were out of heart, and their women and young men fainted for thirſt, and fell downe in the ſtreets of the city, and by the paſſages of the gates, and there was no longer any ſtrength in them.

23 Then all the people aſſembled to Ozias, and to the chiefe of the city, both young men, and women, and children, and cryed with a loud voyce, and ſaid before all the Elders;

24 God *bee iudge betweene vs and you: for you haue done vs great iniury, in that you haue not required peace of the children of Aſſur. *Exod. 5.21.

25 For now we haue no helper: but God hath ſold vs into their hands, that we ſhould be throwne downe before them with thirſt, and great deſtruction.

26 Now therefore call them vnto you, and deliuer the whole city for a ſpoyle to the people of Oloſernes, and to all his army.

27 For it is better for vs to be made a ſpoyle vnto them, then to die for thirſt: for we will be his ſeruants, that our ſoules may liue, and not ſee the death of our infants before our eyes, nor our wiues nor our children vnto die.

28 We take to witneſſe againſt you, the heauen and the earth, and our God and Lord of our fathers, which puniſheth vs according to our ſinnes, and the ſinnes of our Fathers, ‖ that he doe not according as we haue ſaid this day. ‖ Or, leſt he doe: meaning Oloſernes

29 Then there was great weeping with one conſent in the middeſt of the aſſembly, and they cryed vnto the Lord God with a loud voyce.

30 Then ſaid Ozias to them, Brethren be of good courage, let vs yet endure fiue dayes, in the which ſpace the Lord our God may turne his mercy toward vs, for he will not forſake vs vtterly.

31 And if theſe dayes paſſe, and there come no helpe vnto vs, I will doe according to your word.

32 And he diſperſed the people euery one to their owne charge, and they went vnto the walles and towers of their city, and ſent the women, and children into their houſes, and they were very low brought in the city.

CHAP. VIII.

1 *The ſtate and behauiour of Iudtha widow.* 12 *She blameth the Gouernours for their promiſe to yeelde* 17 *And admoniſheth them to truſt in God* 28 *They excuſe their promiſe* 32 *She promiſeth to doe ſomething for them.*

NOw at that time Iudeth heard thereof, which was the daughter of Merari the ſon of Ox, the ſon of Ioſeph, the ſon of Oziel, the ſon of Elcia, the ſon of Ananias, the ſonne of Gedeon, the ſon of Raphaim, the ſon of Acitho, the ſon of Elin, the ſon of Eliab the ſonne of Nathanael, the ſon of ‖ Shamael the ſonne of Salaiadai, the ſonne of Iſrael. ‖ Or, Samalid.

2 And Manaſſes was her husband, of her tribe and kindred, who dyed in the barley harueſt.

3 For as he ſtood ouerſeeing them that bound ſheaues in the field, the heat came vpon his head, and he fell on his bed, and dyed in the city of Bethulia, and they buryed him with his fathers, in the field betweene Dothaim, and Balamo.

4 So Iudeth was a widow in her houſe, three yeeres and foure moneths.

5 And ſhe made her a tent vpon the top of her houſe, and put on ſackcloth on her loynes, and ware her widowes apparell.

6 And ſhe faſted all the dayes of her widowhood ſaue the eues of the Sabbath, and the Sabbaths and the eues of the new Moones, and the new Moones, and the feaſts & ſolemne dayes of ‖ houſe of Iſrael.

7 She was alſo of a goodly countenance, and very beautifull to behold: and her husband Manaſſes had left her gold and ſiluer, and men-ſeruants, and maid-ſeruants, and cattell, and lands, ‖ and ſhe remained vpon them,

‖Or, and ſhe kept them.

Pſalm. 43. 23.

8 And there was none that gaue her an ill word, for ſhe feared God greatly.

9 Now when ſhe heard the euill words of the people againſt the gouernour, that they fainted for lacke of water (for Iudeth had heard all the words that Ozias had ſpoken vnto them, and that he had

* Chap. 7.26.

*ſworne to deliuer the city to the Aſſyrians after fiue dayes.)

10 Then ſhe ſent her waiting woman, that had the gouernment of all things that ſhe had, to call Ozias, and Chabris, and Charmis, the ancients of ‖ city.

11 And they came vnto her, and ſhe ſaid vnto them, Heare me now, O ye Gouernours of the inhabitants of Bethulia: for your words that you haue ſpoken before the people this day, are not right, touching this oath, which ye made, and pronounced betweene God and you, and haue promiſed to deliuer the city to our enemies, vnleſſe within theſe dayes the Lord turne to helpe you.

12 And now who are you that haue tempted God this day, and ſtand in ſtead of God amongſt the children of men?

13 And now try the Lord Almighty, but you ſhal neuer know any thing.

14 For you cannot find the depth of the heart of man, neither can ye perceiue the things that he thinketh: then how can ye ſearch out God, that hath made all theſe things, and know his mind, or comprehend his purpoſe? Nay, my brethren, prouoke not the Lord our God to anger.

15 For if he will not helpe vs within theſe fiue dayes he hath power to defend vs when he will, euen euery day, or to deſtroy vs before our enemies.

‖Or, engage *Numb. 23.19.

16 Doe not ‖ binde the counſels of the Lord our God, for *God is not as man, that he may be threatned, neither is he as the Son of man that he ſhould be wauering.

17 Therefore let vs wait for ſaluation of him, and call vpon him to helpe vs, and he will heare our voyce, if it pleaſe him.

18 For there aroſe none in our age, neither is there any now in theſe dayes, neither tribe nor family, nor ‖ people, nor city among vs, which worſhip gods made with hands, as hath beene afore time.

‖Or, towne. * Iud. 2. 11. & 4. 1. & 6. 1.

19 For the which cauſe our fathers *were giuen to the ſword, and for a ſpoyle, and had a great fall before our enemies.

20 But we know none other God: therefore we *truſt that he will not deſpiſe vs, nor any of our nation.

21 For if we be taken, ſo all Iudea ſhall lie waſte and our Sanctuary ſhall be ſpoyled, and he will require the prophanation thereof at our mouth,

22 And the ‖ ſlaughter of our brethren, and the captiuity of the countrey, and the deſolation of our inheritance, will he turne vpon our heads among the Gentiles, where ſoeuer we ſhall be in bondage, and we ſhalbe a noiſe, and a reproach to all them that poſſeſſe vs.

23 For our ſeruitude ſhall not be directed to fauour: but the Lord our God ſhall turne it to diſhonour.

24 Now therefore, O brethren, let vs ſhew an example to our brethren, becauſe their hearts depend vpon vs, and the Sanctuary, and the houſe, and the Altar reſt vpon vs.

25 Moreouer let vs giue thankes to the Lord our God, which tryeth vs euen as he did our fathers.

26 Remember what things he did to *Abraham, and how he tryed Iſaac, and what happened to *Iacob in Meſopotamia of Syria, when he kept the ſheepe of Laban his mothers brother.

27 For he hath not tryed vs in the fire, as he did them, for the examination of their hearts, neither hath he taken vengeance on vs; but the Lord doth ſcourge them that come neere vnto him to admoniſh them.

28 Then ſaid Ozias to her, All that thou haſt ſpoken, haſt thou ſpoken with a good heart, and there is none that may gaineſay thy words.

29 For this is not the firſt day wherein thy wiſdome is manifeſted, but from the beginning of thy dayes, all thy people haue knowne thy vnderſtanding, becauſe the diſpoſition of thy heart is good.

30 But the people were very thirſty, and compelled vs to doe vnto them as we haue ſpoken, and to bring an oath vpon our ſelues, which we will not breake.

31 Therefore now pray thou for vs becauſe thou art a godly woman, and the Lord will ſend vs raine to fill our ciſternes, and we ſhall faint no more.

32 Then ſaith Iudeth vnto them, Heare me, and I will doe a thing, which ſhall go throughout all generations, to the children of our nation.

33 You ſhall ſtand this night in the gate, and I will goe forth with my waiting woman: and within the dayes that you haue promiſed to deliuer the city to our enemies, the Lord will viſit Iſrael by mine hand.

34 But enquire not you of mine act: for I will not declare it vnto you, till the things be finiſhed that I doe.

35 Then ſaid Ozias and the Princes vnto her, Goe in peace, and the Lord God bee before thee, to take vengeance on our enemies.

36 So they returned from the tent, and went to their wards.

CHAP. IX.

1 Iudeth humbleth her ſelfe. 2 and prayeth God to proſper her purpoſe againſt the enemies of the Sanctuary.

THen Iudeth fell vpon her face, and put aſhes vpon her head, and vncouered the ſackecloth wherewith ſhe was clothed, and about the time that the incenſe of that euening was offered in Ieruſalem in the houſe of the Lord, Iudeth cryed with a loud voyce, and ſaid,

2 O Lord God of my father *Simeon, to whom thou gaueſt a ſword to take vengeance of the ſtrangers, who looſened the girdle of a maid to defile her, and diſcouered the thigh to her ſhame, and polluted her virginity to her reproach, (for thou ſaideſt it ſhall not be ſo, and yet they did ſo.)

3 Wherefore thou gaueſt their rulers to be ſlaine, ſo that they dyed their bed in blood, being

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ished, and ſpoileſt the ſeruants with their lords,
the lords vpon their thrones?
And haſt giuen their wiues for a prey, and their
ters to be captiues, and all their ſpoiles to be
ded amongſt thy deare children, which were
ued with thy zeale, and abhorred the pollution
their blood, and called vpon thee for ayde; O
d, O my God, heare me alſo a widow.
For thou haſt wrought not onely thoſe things,
alſo the things which fell out before, and which
lowed after; thou haſt thought vpon the things
ich are now, and which are to come.
Yea, what things thou didſt determine, were
ſent at hand, and ſaid, Loe, we are here, for all thy
es are prepared, and thy iudgements are in thy
knowledge.
For behold, the Aſſyrians are multiplied in
r power: they are exalted with horſe and man:
glory in the ſtrength of their footmen: they
t in ſhield, and ſpeare, and bow, and ſling, and
w not that thou art the Lord that breaketh the
tes: the Lord is thy Name.
Throw downe their ſtrength in thy power, and
ng downe their force in thy wrath: for they haue
poſed to defile thy Sanctuary, and to pollute the
bernacle, where thy glorious Name reſteth, and
caſt downe with ſword the horne of thy Altar.
Behold their pride, and ſend thy wrath vpon
r heads: giue into mine hand which am a wi-
, the power which I haue conceiued.
*Smite by the deceit of my lips, the ſeruant
the Prince, and the Prince with the ſeruant:
make downe their ſtatelineſſe, by the hand of a
man.
*For thy power ſtandeth not in multitude, nor
y might in ſtrong men, for thou art a God of the
liſted, an helper of the oppreſſed, an vpholder of
weake, a protectour of the forlorne, a Sauiour
them that are without hope.
I pray thee, I pray thee, O God of my father,
God of the inheritance of Iſrael, Lord of the
ators and earth, Creator of the waters, King of
ery creature, heare thou my prayer:
And make my ſpeech and deceit to bee their
nd and ſtripe, who haue purpoſed cruell things
gainſt thy Couenant, and thy hallowed houſe, and
gainſt the top of Sion, and againſt the houſe of
poſſeſſion of thy children.
And make euery nation and tribe to acknow-
dge that thou art the God of all power and
ght, and that there is none other that protecteth
e people of Iſrael, but thou.

CHAP. X.

Iudith doth ſet forth her ſelfe. 10 *She and her maid go forth into the campe.* 17 *The watch take and conduct her to Olofernes.*

NOw after that ſhe had ceaſed to cry vnto the God of Iſrael, and had made an end of all theſe words;
She roſe where ſhee had fallen downe, and called her maid, and went downe into the houſe, in which ſhee abode in the Sabbath dayes, and in her feaſt dayes.
And pulled off the ſackecloth which ſhee had on, and put off the garments of her widowhood, waſhed her body all ouer with water, and anointed her ſelfe with precious ointment, and braided the haire of her head, and put on †a tire vpon it, and put on her garments of gladneſſe, wherewith ſhe was clad during the life of Manaſſes her husband.
And ſhee tooke ſandals vpon her feet, and put about her, her bracelets, and her chaines, and her rings, and her eare rings, and all her ornaments, and decked her ſelfe brauely, to allure the eyes of all men that ſhould ſee her.
Then ſhe gaue her maid a bottle of wine, and a cruſe of oyle, and filled a bag with parched corne and lumps of figs, and with fine bread, ſo ſhe †folded all theſe things together, and laid them vpon her. † *Wrapped, or packed.*
Thus they went foorth to the gate of the city of Bethulia, and found ſtanding there Ozias, and the ancients of the city, Chabris and Charmis.
And when they ſaw her, that her countenance was altered, and her apparell was changed, they wondred at her beautie very greatly, and ſaid vnto her,
The God, the God of our fathers giue thee fauour, and accompliſh thine enterpriſes to the glory of the children of Iſrael, and to the exaltation of Ieruſalem, then they worſhipped God.
And ſhe ſaid vnto them, Command the gates of the citie to be opened vnto mee, that I may goe foorth, to accompliſh the things whereof you haue ſpoken with mee: ſo they commanded the young men to open vnto her as ſhe had ſpoken.
And when they had done ſo, Iudeth went out, ſhe, and her maid with her, and the men of the city looked after her, vntill ſhee was gone downe the mountaine, and vntill ſhe had paſſed the valley, and could ſee her no more.
Thus they went ſtraight foorth in the valley: and the firſt watch of the Aſſyrians met her,
And tooke her, and aſked her, Of what people art thou? and whence commeſt thou? and whither goeſt thou? and ſhe ſaid, I am a woman of the Hebrewes, and am fled from them: for they ſhalbe giuen you to be conſumed.
And I am comming before Olofernes the chiefe captaine of your army, to declare words of truth, and I will ſhew him a way whereby he ſhall goe and winall the hill countrey, without loſing the body or life of any one of his men.
Now when the men heard her words, and beheld her countenance, they wondred greatly at her beauty, and ſaid vnto her;
Thou haſt ſaued thy life, in that thou haſt haſted to come downe to the preſence of our lord: now therefore come to his tent, and ſome of vs ſhall conduct thee, vntill they haue deliuered thee to his hands.
And when thou ſtandeſt before him, bee not afraid in thine heart, but ſhew vnto him according to thy word, and he will intreat thee well.
Then they choſe out of them an hundred men, to †accompany her and her maid, and they brought her to the tent of Olofernes. † *Or, and they prepared a chariot for her.*
Then was there a concourſe thorow out all the campe, for her comming was noiſed among the tents, and they came about her as ſhe ſtood without the tent of Olofernes, till they told him of her.
And they wondred at her beauty, and admired the children of Iſrael becauſe of her, and euery one ſaid to his neighbor, Who would deſpiſe this people, that haue among them ſuch women? ſurely it is not good that one man of them be left, who being let goe, might deceiue the whole earth.
And they that lay neere Olofernes, went out, and all his ſeruants, and they brought her into the tent.
Now Olofernes reſted vpon his bed vnder a canopy, which was woouen with purple and gold, and emeraulds, and pretious ſtones.

22 So they shewed him of her, & he came out before his tent, with siluer lamps going before him.

23 And when Iudeth was come before him, and his seruants, they all marueiled at the beauty of her countenance: and she fell downe vpon her face, and did reuerence vnto him: and his seruants tooke her vp.

CHAP. XI.

3 Olofernes asketh Iudith the cause of her comming. 6 She teacheth him how and when he may preuaile. 20 He is much pleased with her wisdome and beauty.

THen said Olofernes vnto her, Woman, be of good comfort, feare not in thine heart: for I neuer hurt any that was willing to serue Nabuchodonosor the King of all the earth.

2 Now therefore, if thy people that dwelleth in the mountaines, had not set light by mee, I would not haue lifted vp my speare against them: but they haue done these things to themselues.

3 But now tell me wherefore thou art fled from them, and art come vnto vs: for thou art come for safegard, be of good comfort, thou shalt liue this night, and hereafter.

4 For none shall hurt thee, but entreat thee well, as they doe the seruants of King Nabuchodonosor my lord.

5 Then Iudeth said vnto him, Receiue the words of thy seruant, and suffer thine handmaid to speake in thy presence, and I will declare no lie to my lord this night.

6 And if thou wilt follow the words of thine handmaid, God will bring y thing perfectly to passe by thee, and my lord shall not faile of his purposes,

7 As Nabuchodonosor King of all the earth liueth, and as his power liueth who hath sent thee for the vpholding of euery liuing thing: for not onely men shall serue him by thee, but also the beasts of the field, and the cattell, and the feules of the ayre shall liue by thy power vnder Nabuchodonosor and all his house.

8 For we haue heard of thy wisedome, and thy policies, & it is reported in all the earth that thou only art ‖ excellent in all the kingdome, and mightie in knowledge, and wonderfull in feats of war.

‖ Or, in fauour.

9 Now as concerning the matter which Achior did speake in thy councel, we haue heard his words, for the men of Bethulia ‖ saued him, and he declared vnto them all that he had spoken vnto thee.

‖ Or, gaue him.

10 Therefore, O lord and gouernour, reiect not his word, but lay it vp in thine heart, for it is true for our nation shal not be punished, neither can the sword preuaile against them, except they sin against their God.

11 And now that my lord be not defeated, and frustrate of his purpose, euen death is now fallen vpon them, & their sin hath ouertaken them, wherewith they wil prouoke their God to anger, whensoeuer they shall do that which is not fit to be done.

12 For their victuals faile them, and all their water is scant, and they haue determined to lay hands vpon their cattell, and purposed to consume all those things that God hath forbid ten them to eate by his Lawes,

13 And are resolued to spend the first fruits of the corne, and the tenths of wine and oyle, which they had sanctified and reserued for the Priests that serue in Ierusalem before the face of our God, the which things it is not lawfull for any of the people so much as to touch with their hands.

14 For they haue sent some to Ierusalem, because they also that dwell there haue done the like; to bring them a licence from the Senate,

15 Now when they shall bring them word, & they will foorthwith doe it, and they shall be giuen thee to be destroyed the same day.

16 Wherefore I thine handmaid, knowing all this, am fled from their presence, and God hath sent me to worke things with thee, whereat all the earth shalbe astonished, and whosoeuer shall heare it,

17 For thy seruant is religious, and serueth the God of heauen day and night: now therefore, my lord, I will remaine with thee, and thy seruant will goe out by night into the valley, and I will pray vnto God, and he will tell me when they haue committed their sinnes.

18 And I will come and shew it vnto thee: then thou shalt goe forth with all thine armie, and there shalbe none of them that shall resist thee.

19 And I will leade thee thorow the midst of Iudea, vntill thou come before Ierusalem, and I will set thy throne in the midst thereof, and thou shalt driue them, as sheepe that haue no shepherd, and a dog shall not so much as ‖ open his mouth at thee: for ‖ these things were told mee according to my foreknowledge, and they were declared vnto me, and I am sent to tell thee.

20 Then her words pleased Olofernes and all his seruants, and they marueiled at her wisedome, and said,

21 There is not such a woman from one end of the earth to the other, both for beautie of face, and wisedome of words.

22 Likewise Olofernes said vnto her, God hath done well to send thee before the people, that strength might be in our hands, and destruction vpon them that lightly regard my lord:

23 And now thou art both beautifull in thy countenance, and witty in thy words, surely if thou do as thou hast spoken, thy God shall be my God, and thou shalt dwell in ‖ house of King Nabuchodonosor, & shalt be renowned through the whole earth.

CHAP. XII.

2 Iudeth will not eat of Olofernes meat 7 but taried three dayes in the campe, and euery night went forth to pray. 13 Bagoas doth mourne her departure with Olofernes, 20 who for ioy of her company, drunke much.

THen he commanded to bring her in, where his plate was set, and bade that they should prepare for her of his owne meats, and that she should drinke of his owne wine.

2 And Iudeth said, ‖ I will not eate thereof, lest there be an offence: but prouision shal be made for me of the things that I haue brought.

3 Then Olofernes said vnto her, If thy prouision should faile, how should we giue thee the like? for there be none with vs of thy nation.

4 Then said Iudeth vnto him, As thy soule liueth my lord, thine handmaid shall not spend these things that I haue, before the Lord worke by mine hand the things that he hath determined.

5 Then the seruants of Olofernes brought her into the tent, and shee slept till midnight, and she arose when it was towards the morning watch,

6 And sent to Olofernes, saying, Let my lord now command that thine handmaid may goe forth vnto prayer.

7 Then Olofernes commanded his guard, that they should not stay her: thus shee abode in the campe three dayes, and went out in the night into the valley of Bethulia, and washed her selfe in a fountaine of water by the campe.

8 And when shee came out, shee besought the Lord

of God of Israel to direct her way, to the raising of the children of her people.

So she came in cleane, and remained in the tent till she did eat her meat at euening.

And in the fourth day Olofernes made a feast vnto his owne seruants onely, and called none of the officers to the banquet.

Then said he to Bagoas the Eunuch, who had charge over all that he had: Go now and perswade that Hebrew woman which is with thee, that she come vnto vs, and eat and drinke with vs.

For low, it will be a shame for our person, if we should let such a woman goe, not hauing had her company; for if we draw her not vnto vs, she will laugh vs to scorne.

Then went Bagoas from the presence of Olofernes, and came to her, and he said, Let not this faire damsell feare to come to my lord, and to be honoured in his presence, and drinke wine, and be merry with vs, and be made this day as one of the daughters of the Assyrians, which serue in the house of Nabuchodonosor.

Then said Iudeth vnto him, Who am I now that I should gainesay my lord? surely whatsoeuer pleaseth him, I will doe speedily, and it shalbe my ioy vnto the day of my death.

So she arose, and decked her selfe with her apparell, and all her womans attire, and her maid went and laid soft skins on the ground for her, euen against Olofernes, which she had receiued of Bagoas for her daily vse, that she might sit and eate vpon them.

Now when Iudeth came in, and sate downe, Olofernes his heart was rauished with her, and his mind was mooued, and he desired greatly her company, for he waited a time to deceiue her, from the day that he had seene her.

Then said Olofernes vnto her, Drinke now, and be merry with vs.

So Iudeth said, I will drinke now my lord, because my life is magnified in me this day more then all the dayes since I was borne.

Then she tooke, and ate and dranke before him, what her maid had prepared.

And Olofernes tooke great delight in her, and dranke much more wine then he had dronke at any time in one day since he was borne.

CHAP. XIII.

Iudith is left alone with Olofernes in his tent. She prayeth God to giue her strength. 8 She cut off his head while he slept. 10 And returned with it to Bethulia. 17 They saw it, and conuersed her.

NOw when the euening was come, his seruants made haste to depart, and Bagoas shut his tent without, & dismissed the waiters from the presence of his lord, and they went to their beds: for they were all weary, because the feast had beene long.

And Iudeth was left alone in the tent, and Olofernes lying along vpon his bed, for he was filled with wine.

Now Iudeth had commanded her maid to stand without her bed-chamber, and to wait for her coming forth, as she did daily: for she said she would goe forth to her prayers, and she spake to Bagoas, according to the same purpose.

So all went forth, and none was left in the bed-chamber, neither little nor great. Then Iudeth standing by his bed, said in her heart: O Lord God of all power, looke at this present vpon the workes of mine hands, for the exaltation of Ierusalem.

For now is the time to help thine inheritance, and to execute mine enterprises to the destruction of the enemies which are risen against vs.

Then she came to the pillar of the bed, which was at Olofernes head, and tooke down his fauchin from thence,

And approached to his bed, and tooke hold of the haire of his head, and said, Strengthen me, O Lord God of Israel this day.

And she smote twice vpon his necke with all her might, and she tooke away his head from him,

And tumbled his body downe from the bed, and pulled downe the canopy from the pillars, and anon after she went forth, and gaue Olofernes his head to her maid.

And she put it in her bag of meat; so they twaine went together according to their custome, vnto prayer, and when they passed the campe, they compassed the valley, and went vp the mountaine of Bethulia, and came to the gates thereof.

Then said Iudeth afar off to the watchmen at the gate, Open, open now the gate: God, euen our God is with vs, to shew his power yet in Ierusalem, and his forces against the enemy, as he hath euen done this day.

Now when the men of her city heard her voice, they made haste to goe downe to the gate of their city, and they called the Elders of the city.

And then they ran all together, both small and great, for it was strange vnto them, that she was come: so they opened the gate and receiued them, and made a fire for a light, and stood round about them.

Then she said to them with a loud voice, Praise praise God, praise God (I say) for he hath not taken away his mercy from the house of Israel, but hath destroyed our enemies by mine hands this night.

So she tooke the head out of the bag, and shewed it, and said vnto them, Behold the head of Olofernes the chiefe captaine of the army of Assur, and behold the canopie wherein he did lie in his drunkennesse, and the Lord hath smitten him by the hand of a woman.

As the Lord liueth, who hath kept me in my way that I went, my countenance hath deceiued him to his destruction, and yet hath he not committed sinne with me, to defile and shame me.

Then all the people were wonderfully astonished, and bowed themselues, and worshipped God, and said with one accord: Blessed be thou, O our God, which hast this day brought to nought the enemies of thy people.

Then said Ozias vnto her, O daughter, blessed art thou of the most high God, aboue all the women vpon the earth, and blessed be the Lord God, which hath created the heauens and the earth, which hath directed thee to the cutting off of the head of the chiefe of our enemies.

For this thy confidence shall not depart from the heart of men, which remember the power of God for euer.

And God turne these things to thee for a perpetuall praise, to visit thee in good things, because thou hast not spared thy self for the affliction of our nation, but hast reuenged our ruine, walking a straight way before our God: and all the people said, So be it, so be it.

CHAP. XIIII.

Achior heareth Iudeth shew what she had done, and is circumcised. 11 The head of Olofernes is hanged vp. 15 He is found dead and much lamented.

THen said Iudeth vnto them, Hearken now my brethren, and take this head, and hang it vp on the highest place of your walls.

And

2 And so soone as the morning shall appeare, and the Sunne shall come forth vpon the earth, take you euery one his weapons, and goe forth euery valiant man out of the city, and set you a captaine ouer them, as though ye would goe downe into the field toward the watch of the Assyrians, but go not downe.

3 Then they shall take their armour, and shall goe into their campe, and raise vp the captaines of the army of Assur, and they shall run to the tent of Olofernes, but shall not finde him, then feare shall fall vpon them, and they shall flee before your face.

4 So you, and all that inhabit the coast of Israel, shall pursue them, and ouerthrow them as they goe.

5 But before ye doe these things, call me Achior the Ammonite, that he may see, and know him that despised the house of Israel, and that sent him to vs as it were to his death.

6 Then they called Achior out of the house of Ozias, and when he was come, and saw the head of Olofernes in a mans hand, in the assembly of the people, he fell downe on his face, & his spirit failed.

7 But when they had recouered him, he fell at Iudeths feet, and reuerenced her, and said, Blessed art thou in all the Tabernacle of Iuda, and in all nations, which hearing thy Name, shall be astonished.

8 Now therfore tell me all the things that thou hast done in these dayes. Then Iudeth declared vnto him in the midst of the people, all that she had done, from the day that she went forth, vntill that houre she spake vnto them.

9 And when she had left off speaking, the people shouted with a loud voyce, and made a ioyfull noise in their city.

10 And when Achior had seene all that the God of Israel had done, he beleeued in God greatly, and circumcised the foreskin of his flesh, and was ioyned vnto the house of Israel vnto this day.

11 And assoone as the morning arose, they hanged the head of Olofernes vpon the wall, and euery man tooke his weapons, and they went forth by bands vnto the ‖ straits of the mountaine.

‖ Or, ascents.

12 But when the Assyrians saw them, they sent to their leaders, which came vnto their captaines, and tribunes, and to euery one of their rulers.

13 So they came to Olofernes tent, and said to him that had the charge of all his things, Waken now our lord, for the slaues haue been bold to come downe against vs to battell, that they may be vterly destroyed.

14 Then went in Bagoas, and knocked at the doore of the tent, for he thought that he had slept with Iudeth.

15 But because none answered, he opened it, and went into the bed-chamber, and found him cast vpon the floore dead, and his head was taken from him.

‖ Then.

16 ‖ Therefore he cryed with a loud voyce, with weeping, and sighing, and a mighty cry, and rent his garments.

17 After he went into the tent where Iudeth lodged, and when he found her not, he leaped out to the people, and cryed.

18 These slaues haue dealt treacherously, one woman of the Hebrewes hath brought shame vpon the house of King Nabuchodonosor, for behold, Olofernes lieth vpon the ground without a head.

19 When the captaines of the Assyrians army heard these words, they rent their coates, and their mindes were wonderfully troubled, and there was a cry, and a very great noise thorowout the campe.

CHAP. XV.

1 *The Assyrians are chased and slaine.* ‖ *The High Priest commeth to see Iudeth.* 11 *The spoile of Israel is giuen to Iudeth.* 13 *The women crowne her with a garland.*

AMd when they were in the tents hearing [illegible] were astonished at the thing that was done,

2 And feare and trembling fell vpon them, [illegible] there was no man that durst abide [illegible] the fight his neighbour, but nothing out altogether, they [illegible] into euery way of the plaine & of the [illegible] mountaine.

3 They also that had camped in the [illegible] round about Bethulia, fled away. Then the children of Israel, euery one that was a warriour among them, rushed out vpon them.

4 Then sent Ozias to Bethomasthem, and to Bebai, and Chobai, and Cola, and to all the coasts of Israel, such as should tell the things that were done, and that all should rush forth vpon their enemies to destroy them.

5 Now when the children of Israel heard it, they all fell vpon them with one consent, and slew them vnto Choba: likewise also they that came from Hierusalem, and from all the hill countrey, for men had told them what things were done in the campe of their enemies, and they that were in Galaad, and in Galile, ‖ chased them with a great slaughter, vntill they were past Damascus, and the borders thereof.

6 And the residue that dwelt at Bethulia, fell vpon the campe of Assur, and spoyled them, and were greatly inriched.

7 And the children of Israel that returned from the slaughter, had that which remained, and the villages, and the cities that were in the mountaine and in the plaine, gate many spoyles: for the multitude was very great.

8 Then Ioacim the high Priest, and the ancients of the children of Israel which dwelt in Ierusalem came to behold the good things that God had shewed to Israel, & to see Iudeth, and to salute her.

9 And when they came vnto her, they blessed her with one accord, & said vnto her, Thou art the exaltation of Ierusalem: thou art the great glory of Israel: thou art the great reioycing of our nation.

10 Thou hast done all these things by thine hand: thou hast done much good to Israel, & God is pleased therwith: blessed be thou of the Almighty Lord for euermore: and all the people said, So be it.

11 And the people spoyled the campe, the space of thirty dayes, and they giue vnto Iudeth. Olofernes tent and all his plate, and beds and vessels, and all his stuffe: and she tooke it, and laid it on her mule, and made ready her carts, and layd them thereon.

12 Then all the women of Israel ran together to see her, and blessed her, and made a dance among them for her: and she tooke branches in her hand, and gaue also to the women that were with her.

13 And they put a garland of Oline vpon her and her maid that was with her, & she went before the people in the dance, leading all the women: and all the men of Israel followed in their armour with garlands [illegible] with songs in their mouthes.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *The song of Iudeth.* 19 *She dedicateth the spoile of Olofernes.* 20 *She died at Bethulia a widow of great honour.* 24 *All Israel disliketh her death.*

THen Iudeth began to sing this thanksgiuing in all Israel, and all the people sung after her this song of praise.

2 And Iudeth said, Begin vnto my God with timbrels, sing vnto my Lord with cymbals, tune vnto

3 ‖ new Psalme: exalt him, and call vpon
Name.
For God breaketh the battels: for amongst the
in the midst of the people he hath deliuered
out of the hands of them that persecuted me.
After came out of the mountaines from the
with he came with ten thousands of his army, the
titude whereof stopped the torrents, and their
ers hane couered the hils.
He bragged that he would burne vp my borders,
kill my yong men with the sword, and dash the
ing children against the ground, and make mine
ers as a prey, and my virgins as a spoile.
But the Almighty Lord hath disappointed
in by the hand of a woman.
For the mighty one did not fall by the young
, neither did the sonnes of the Titans smite
nor high Giants set vpon him: but Iudeth the
ghter of Merari weakened him with the beauty
her countenance.
For shee put off the garment of her widow-
d, for the exaltation of those that were oppres-
in Israel, and anointed her face with oyntment,
bound her haire in a † tyre, and tooke a linnen
ment to deceiue him.
Her sandals rauished his eyes, her beauty
k his minde prisoner, and the sauchin passed
ough his necke.
The Persians quaked at her boldnesse, and the
dians were ‖ daunted at her hardinesse.
Then my afflicted shouted for ioy, and my
leaguers cryed aloud; but ‖ they were astoni-
d: these lifted vp their voyces, but they were
rthrowne.
The sonnes of the damosels haue pierced them
rough, and wounded them as fugitiues children
perished by the battell of the Lord.
I will sing vnto the Lord a ‖ new song, O Lord,
art great and glorious, wonderful in strength,
d inuincible.
Let all creatures serue thee: for thou spakest,
they were made, thou diddest send foorth thy
rit, and it created them, and there is none that
sist thy voyce.
For the mountains shal be moued from their
foundations with the waters, the rockes shall melt
as waxe at thy presence: yet thou art mercifull to
them that feare thee.
For all sacrifice is too little for a sweet fa-
uour vnto thee, and all the fat is not sufficient for
thy burnt offering: but he that feareth the Lord is
great at all times.
Woe to the nations that rise vp against my
kindred: the Lord Almighty will take vengeance
of them in the day of Iudgement, in putting fire
and wormes in their flesh, and they shall feele them
and weepe for euer.
Now as soone as they entred into Ierusalem,
they worshipped the Lord, and as soone as the peo-
ple were purified, they offered their burnt offrings,
and their free offerings, and their gifts.
Iudeth also dedicated all the stuffe of Olofer-
nes, which the people had giuen her, and gaue the
canopy which she had taken out of his bedchamber
for a gift vnto the Lord.
So the people continued feasting in Ierusalem
before the Sanctuary, for the space of three mo-
neths, and Iudeth remained with them.
After this time euery one returned to his own
inheritance, and Iudeth went to Bethulia, and re-
mained in her owne possession, and was in her time
honourable in all the countrey.
And many desired her, but none knew her all
the dayes of her life, after that Manasses her hus-
band was dead, and was gathered to his people.
But shee increased more and more in honour,
and waxed old in her husbands house, being an
hundred and fiue yeeres old, and made her maide
free, so shee died in Bethulia: and they buried her
in the ‖ caue of her husband Manasses.
And the house of Israel lamented her * seuen
dayes, and before she died, shee did distribute her
goods to all them that were neerest of kindred vnto
Manasses her husband, and to them that were the
neerest of her kindred.
And there was none that made the children of
Israel any more afraid, in the dayes of Iudeth, nor
a long time after her death.

‖ or, sepulchre.
* Gen. 50. 10.

¶ The rest of the Chapters of the Booke of Esther, which are found neither in the Hebrew, nor in the Caldee.

Part of the tenth Chapter after the Greeke.

*Mardocheus remembreth and expoundeth his
ame of the riuer and the two dragons.*

Then Mardocheus said, God hath done
these things.
For I remember a dreame, which
I saw concerning these matters, and
nothing thereof hath failed.
A little fountaine became a riuer, and there
was light, & the Sun, and much water: this riuer is
ther, whom the King maried, and made Queene.
And the two dragons, are I and Aman.
And the nations were those that were assem-
led to destroy the name of the Iewes.
And my nation is this Israel, which cryed to
d & were saued: for the Lord hath saued his peo-
, and the Lord hath deliuered vs from all those
ils, and God hath wrought signes and great won-
rs, which haue not bin done among the Gentiles.
Therefore hath he made two lots, one for the
people of God, and another for all the Gentiles.
And these two lots came at the houre, and
time, and day of Iudgement before God amongst
all nations.
So God remembred his people, and iustified
his inheritance.
Therefore those dayes shall bee vnto them in
the moneth Adar, the fourteenth and fifteenth
day of the same moneth, with an assembly, and ioy,
and with gladnesse before God, according to the
generations for euer among his people.

CHAP. XI.

*The sooke and qualitie of Mardocheus. 6 He
dreameth of two dragons comming forth to fight:
10. and of a little fountaine which became a great
water.*

IN the fourth yeere of ‖ reigne of Ptolomeus, and
Cleopatra, Dositheus, who said he was a Priest
and Leuite, and Ptolomeus his sonne brought this
Epistle

Epistle of Phurim, which they said was the same, and that Lysimachus the sonne of Ptolomeus that was in Ierusalem had interpreted it.

2 In the second yeere of the reigne of Artaxerxes the great: in the first day of the moneth Nisan, Mardocheus the sonne of Iairus, the sonne of Semei, the sonne of Cisai, of the tribe of Beniamin, had a dreame.

3 Who was a Iew, and dwelt in the citie of Susa, a great man being a seruitor in the Kings Court.

4 He was also one of the captiues which Nabuchodonosor the King of Babylon carried from Ierusalem, with Iechonias King of Iudea, and this was his dreame.

5 Behold, a noise of a tumult with thunder, and earthquakes, and vproare in the land.

6 And behold, two great dragons came foorth ready to fight, and their cry was great.

7 And at their cry all nations were prepared to battell, that they might fight against the righteous people.

8 And loe, a day of darkenesse and obscuritie, tribulation, and anguish, affliction, and great vproare vpon the earth.

9 And the whole righteous nation was troubled, fearing their owne euils, and were ready to perish.

10 Then they cryed vnto God, and vpon their cry, as it were from a little fountaine, was made a great flood, euen much water.

11 The light and the Sunne rose vp, and the lowly were exalted, and deuoured the glorious.

12 Now when Mardocheus, who had seene this dreame, and what God had determined to doe, was awake, hee bare this dreame in minde, and vntill night by all meanes was desirous to know it.

CHAP. XII.

1 The conspiracy of the two Eunuches is discouered by Mardocheus: 5 for which hee is entertained by the King, and rewarded.

AND Mardocheus tooke his rest in the Court, with Gabatha, and Tharra, the two Eunuches of the King, and keepers of the palace.

2 * And hee heard their deuices, and searched out their purposes, and learned that they were about to lay hands vpon Artaxerxes the King, and so he certified the King of them. * Esther 2.21. & 6.2.

3 Then the King examined the two Eunuches, and after that they had confessed it, they were strangled.

4 And the King made a record of these things; and Mardocheus also wrote thereof.

5 So the King commanded Mardocheus to serue in the Court, and for this he rewarded him.

6 Howbeit, Aman the sonne of Amadathus, the Agagite, who was in great honour with the King, sought to molest Mardochens and his people, because of the two Eunuches of the King.

CHAP. XIII.

1 The copy of the Kings letter, to destroy the Iewes. 8 The prayer of Mardochens for them.

THE copy of the letters was this. The great king Artaxerxes writeth these things to the Princes and Gouernours that are vnder him, from India vnto Ethiopia, in an hundred and seuen and twenty prouinces. Ioseph. Ant. Iud. l.11.c.6.

2 After that I became Lord ouer many nations, and had dominion ouer the whole world, not lifted vp with presumption of my authority, but carrying my selfe alway with equity & mildnes, I purposed to settle my subiects continually in a quiet life, and making my kingdome peaceable, and open for passage to the vttermost coasts to renew peace, which is desired of all men. ‖ Or, milde.

3 Now when I asked my Counsellers how this might be brought to passe, Aman that excelled in wisdome among vs, and was approoued for his constant good will, and stedfast fidelity, and had the honour of the second place in the kingdome,

4 Declared vnto vs, that in all nations through out the world, there was scattered a certaine malicious people, that had lawes contrary to all nations, and continually disputed the commandements of Kings, so as the vniting of our kingdomes honorably intended by vs, cannot goe forward.

5 Seeing then we vnderstand that this people alone is continually in opposition to all men, differing in the strange maner of their lawes, & euill affected to our state, working all mischiefe they can that our kingdome may not be firmely established.

6 Therefore haue we commanded, that all those that are signified in writing vnto you by Aman, (who is ordained ouer the affaires, and is next vnto vs) shall all with their wiues and children be vtterly destroyed by the sword of their enemies without all mercy and pity, the fourteenth day of the twelfth moneth Adar of this present yeere:

7 That they who of old, and now also are malicious, may in one day with violence goe into the grane, and so euer hereafter cause our affaires to be well settled, and without trouble.

8 Then Mardocheus thought vpon all the works of the Lord, and made his prayer vnto him,

9 Saying, O Lord Lord, thou King Almighty: for the whole world is in thy power, and if thou hast appointed to saue Israel, there is no man that can gaine-say thee:

10 For thou hast made heauen and earth and all the wondrous things vnder the heauen.

11 Thou art Lord of all things, and there is no man that can resist thee who art the Lord.

12 Thou knowest all things, and thou knowest Lord, that it was neither in contempt, nor pride, nor for any desire of glory, that I did not bow downe to proud Aman.

13 For I could haue beene content with good will, for the saluation of Israel, to kisse the steps of his feet.

14 But I did this, that I might not preferre the glory of man aboue the glory of God: neither will I worship any but thee, O God: neither will I do it in pride.

15 And now, O Lord God, and King: spare thy people: for their eyes are vpon vs, to bring vs to nought; yea, they desire to destroy the inheritance that hath beene thine from the beginning.

16 Despise not the portion which thou hast redeemed out of Egypt for thine owne selfe.

17 Heare my prayer, and be mercifull to thine heritance: turne our sorrow into ioy, that we may liue, O Lord, and praise thy Name: and ‖ destroy not the mouthes of them that praise thee, O Lord.

18 All Israel in like manner cryed most fearefully vnto the Lord, because their death was before their eyes. ‖ Or, destroy.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 The prayer of Queene Esther, for her selfe, & her people.

QVeene Esther also being in feare of death, resorted vnto the Lord,

2 And laid away her glorious apparell, and put on the garments of anguish and mourning: and instead of precious ointments, she couered her head with ashes and dung, and she humbled her body greatly

ſty, and all the places of her ioy ſhee filled her torne haire.

And ſhe prayed vnto the Lord God of Iſrael, ſaying, O my Lord, thou onely art our King, helpe this deſolate woman, which haue no helper but thee. For my danger is in my hand.

From my youth vp I haue heard in the tribe of my family, that thou, O Lord, tookeſt Iſrael from among all people, & our fathers from all their progenitors, for a perpetuall inheritance, & thou haſt performed whatſoeuer thou didſt promiſe them.

And now wee haue ſinned before thee, therefore haſt ‖ giuen vs into the hands of our enemies.

Becauſe we worſhipped their gods: O Lord, art righteous.

Notwithſtanding, it ſatisfieth them not, that we are in bitter captiuity, but they haue ſtricken hands with their idoles.

That they will abroſh the thing that thou by mouth haſt ordained, and deſtroy thine inheritance, and ſtop the mouth of them that praiſe thee, and quench the glory of thine houſe, and of thine Altar,

And open the mouthes of the heathen, to ſet forth the praiſes of the † idoles, and to magnifie a fleſhly King for euer.

O Lord, giue not thy Scepter vnto them that are nothing: and let them not laugh at our fall, but turne their deuice vpon themſelues, and make an example that hath begun this againſt vs.

Remember, O Lord, make thy ſelfe knowne in the time of our affliction, and giue me boldneſſe, O thou King of the ‖ nations, and Lord of all power.

Giue me eloquent ſpeech in my mouth before the Lion, turne his heart to hate him that fighteth againſt vs, that there may be an end of him, and of all that are like minded to him:

But deliuer vs with thine hand, and helpe me that am deſolate, and which haue no other helper but thee.

Thou knoweſt all things, O Lord, thou knoweſt that I hate the glory of the vnrighteous, and abhorre the bed of the vncircumciſed, and of † all ſtrangers.

Thou knoweſt my neceſſity: for I abhorre the ſigne of my high eſtate, which is vpon mine head, in the dayes wherein I ſhew my ſelfe, and that I abhorre it as a menſtrous ragge, and that I weare it not when I am † priuate by my ſelfe.

And that thine handmaid hath not eaten at Aman's table, and that I haue not greatly eſteemed the Kings feaſt, nor drunke the wine of the drinke-offrings:

Neither had thine handmaid any ioy ſince the day † that I was brought hither to this preſent, but in thee, O Lord God of Abraham.

O thou mighty God aboue all, heare the voice of the forlorne, and deliuer vs out of the hands of the euill doers, and deliuer me out of my feare.

CHAP. XV.

Eſther commeth into the Kings preſence. 7 He is angrie, and ſhe fainteth. 8 The King doth comfort her vp, and comfort her.

And vpon the third day, when ſhee had ended her prayer, ſhee laid away her mourning garments, and put on her glorious apparell.

And being gloriouſly adorned, after ſhee had called vpon God, who is the beholder and Sauiour of all things, ſhee tooke two maids with her:

And vpon the one ſhee leaned, as carrying her ſelfe daintily.

And the other followed, bearing vp her traine.

5 And ſhee was ‖ ruddy through the perfection of her beauty, and her countenance was cheerefull and very ‖ amiable: but her heart was in anguiſh for feare. ‖ Or, roſe-coloured. ‖ Or, as amiable, or ſmiling.

6 Then hauing paſſed through all the doores, ſhee ſtood before the King, who ſate vpon his royall throne, and was clothed with all his robes of Maieſty, all glittering with gold and precious ſtones, and he was very dreadfull.

7 Then lifting vp his countenance, that ſhone with Maieſty, hee looked very fiercely vpon her: and the Queene fell downe, and was pale, and fainted, and bowed her ſelfe vpon the head of the maid that went ‖ before her. ‖ Or, with her, or by her.

8 Then God changed the ſpirit of the King into mildneſſe, who in a † feare leaped from his throne, and tooke her in his armes, till ſhee came to her ſelfe again, and comforted her with louing words, and ſaid vnto her, † Gr. an agony.

9 Eſther, what is the matter? I am thy brother, be of good cheere.

10 Thou ſhalt not die, though our commandement be ‖ generall, come neere. ‖ Or, as we ſhew as mine.

11 And ſo hee held vp his golden ſcepter, and laid it vpon her necke,

12 And embraced her, and ſaid, Speake vnto me?

13 Then ſaid ſhe vnto him, I ſaw thee my lord, as an Angel of God, and my heart was troubled for feare of thy Maieſty.

14 For wonderfull art thou lord, and thy countenance is full of grace.

15 And as ſhe was ſpeaking, ‖ ſhee fell downe for faintneſſe. ‖ Or, ſhe fell in a ſwoone.

16 Then the King was troubled, and all his ſeruants comforted her.

CHAP. XVI.

1 The letter of Artaxerxes, 10 wherein he taxeth Aman, 17 and reuoketh the decree procured by Aman to deſtroy the Iewes, 22 and commandeth the day of their deliuerance to be kept holy.

THe great King Artaxerxes, vnto the Princes and gouernours of an hundred and ſeuen and twenty prouinces, from India vnto Ethiopia, and vnto all ‖ our faithfull ſubiects, greeting. Ioſe. ant. l. 11. c. 6. ‖ Or, well affected.

2 Many, the more often they are honoured with the great bountie of their † gracious Princes, the more proud they are waxen, † Greeke, to our State.

3 And indeauour to hurt, not our ſubiects only, but not being ble to beare abundance, doe take in hand to practiſe alſo againſt thoſe that doe them good: their benefactors

4 And take not onely thankfulneſſe away from among men, but alſo lifted vp with the glorious words of ‖ lewd perſons, ‖ that were neuer good, they thinke to eſcape the iuſtice of God, that ſeeth all things, and hateth euill. ‖ Or, vttery. ‖ Or, that neuer ſtudied goodneſſe.

5 Oftentimes alſo faire ſpeech, of ‖ thoſe that are put in truſt to manage their friends affaires, hath cauſed many that are in authority to bee partakers of innocent blood, and hath entwrapped them in remedileſſe calamities: ‖ Or, of our friends put in truſt to manage the affaires.

6 Beguiling with the falſhood and deceit of their lewd diſpoſition, the innocency and goodnes of Princes.

7 Now ye may ſee this as we haue declared, not ſo much by ancient hiſtories, as we may, if ye ſearch what hath been wickedly done of late through the peſtilent behauiour of them that are vnworthily placed in authority.

8 And we muſt take care for the time to come, that our kingdome may be quiet and peaceable for all men.

9 Both by changing our purposes, and alwayes judging things that are euident, with more equall proceeding.

10 For Aman, a Macedonian, the son of Amadatha, being indeed a stranger from the Persian blood, and farre distant from our goodnesse, and as a stranger receiued of vs:

11 Had so farre foorth obtained the fauour that we shew toward euery nation, as that hee was called our father, and was continually honoured of all men, as the next person vnto the King.

12 But he not bearing his great dignitie, went about to depriue vs of our kingdome and life:

13 Hauing by manifold and cunning deceits sought of vs the destruction, as well of Mardocheus, who saued our life, and continually procured our good, as also of blamelesse Esther, partaker of our kingdome, with their whole nation.

14 For by these meanes hee thought, finding vs destitute of friends, to haue translated his kingdome of the Persians to the Macedonians.

15 But we find that the Iewes, whom this wicked wretch hath deliuered to vtter destruction, are no euill doers, but liue by most iust lawes.

16 And that they be children of the most High, and most mightie liuing God, who hath ‖ ordered the kingdome both vnto vs, and to our progenitors in the most excellent manner.

‖ Or, prepared.

17 Wherefore yee shall doe well not to pur execution the letters sent vnto you by Aman sonne of Amadatha.

18 For hee that was the worker of these thing is hanged at the gates of Susa, with all his famil God, who ruleth all things, speedily rendring ve geance to him according to his deserts.

19 Therefore yee shall publish the copy of th letter in all places, that the Iewes may freely li after their owne lawes.

20 And ye shal aide them, that euen the same d being the thirteenth day of the twelfth moneth Adar, they may bee auenged on them, who in t time of their affliction shall set vpon them.

21 For Almightie God hath turned to ioy re them, the day wherein the chosen people shou haue perished.

22 You shall therefore among your solemne fea keepe it an high day with all feasting,

23 That both now and hereafter there may safetie to vs, and the well affected Persians; bu those which doe conspire against vs a memorial destruction.

24 Therefore euery city and country whatsoe which shal not do according to their things shal destroied without mercy, with fire and sword, shalbe made not only vnpassable for men, but m most hatefull to wild beasts and fowles for euer.

¶ THE WISDOME OF SOLOMON.

CHAP. I.

2 To whom God sheweth himselfe, 4 and Wisdome her selfe. 6 An euill speaker cannot lie hid. 12 We procure our owne destruction: 13 For God created not Death.

LOue *righteousnesse ye that be iudges of the earth: thinke of the Lord with a good (heart) and in simplicity of heart seeke him.

2 For hee will be found of them that tempt him not: and sheweth himselfe vnto such as doe not * distrust him.

3 For froward thoughts separate from God: and his power when it is tried, reproueth the vowise.

4 For into a malicious soule wisdom shal not enter: nor dwell in the body that is subiect vnto sin.

5 *For the holy Spirit of discipline will flie deceit, and remoue from thoughts that are without vnderstanding: and will not ‖ abide when vnrighteousnesse commeth in.

6 For wisedome is a *louing spirit: and will not acquit a blasphemer of his words: for God is witnesse of his reines, and a true beholder of his heart, and a hearer of his tongue.

7 For the Spirit of the Lord filleth the world: and that which ‖ containeth all things hath knowledge of the voyce.

8 Therefore he that speaketh vnrighteous things cannot bee hid: neither shall vengeance when it punisheth, passe by him.

9 For inquisition shall be made into the counsels of the vngodly: and the sound of his words shall come vnto the Lord, for the ‖ manifestation of his wicked deeds.

10 For the eare of iealousie heareth all things: and the noise of murmurings is not hid.

11 Therefore beware of murmuring which is vnprofitable, and refraine your tongue from backebiting: for there is no word so secret that shall go for nought: and the mouth that ‖ belieth, slayeth the soule.

12 Seeke not death in the error of your life: and pull not vpon your selues * destruction, with the workes of your hands.

13 For God made not death: neither hath he pleasure in the destruction of the liuing.

14 For hee created all things that they might haue their being: and the generations of the world were healthfull: & there is no poyson of destruction in them: nor the kingdome of death vpon earth.

15 For righteousnesse is immortall.

16 But vngodly men with their workes and words called it to them: for when they thought to haue it their friend, they consumed to nought, and made a couenant with it, because they are worthy to take part with it.

CHAP. II.

1 The wicked thinke thus like fooles, 5 and other after them, 6 therefore they will take their pleasure in this, 10 and conspire against the iust. 21 What that is which doeth blinde them.

FOr the *vngodly said, reasoning with themselues but not aright: * Our life is short and tedious: and in the death of a man there is no remedie: neither was there any man knowne to haue returned from the graue.

2 For we are borne at all aduentures: and we shall be hereafter as though we had neuer been: for the breath in our nostrils is as smoke: and a little sparke in the mouing of our heart:

3 Which being extinguished, our body shall be turned into ashes, and our spirit shall vanish as ‖ soft aire:

4 And our name shall be forgotten in time: and no man shall haue our workes in remembrance: and our life shal passe away as the traces of a cloud:

dispersed, as a mist that is driuen away with the
eames of the Sunne, and ‖ ouercome with the heat
hereof.
7 * For our time is a very shadow that passeth
way: and after our end there is no returning: for
it is fast sealed, so that no man commeth again.
8 Come on therefore, let vs enioy the good things
that are present: and let vs ‖ speedily vse the
creatures like as in youth.
9 Let vs fill our selues with costly wine and oint-
ments: and let no floure of the spring passe by vs.
10 ‖ Let vs crowne our selues with rose-buds, be-
fore they be withered.
11 Let none of vs goe without his part of our
voluptuousnesse: let vs leaue tokens of our ioy-
fulnesse in euery place: for this is our portion, and
our lot is this.
12 Let vs oppresse the poore righteous man, let
vs not spare the widow, nor reuerence the ancient
grey haires of the aged.
13 Let our strength be the law of iustice: for that
which is feeble is found to be nothing worth.
14 Therefore let vs lie in wait for the righteous:
because he is not for our turne, and he is cleane con-
trary to our doings: hee vpbraideth vs with our
offending the Law, and obiecteth to our infamie,
the transgressings of our education.
15 He professeth to haue the knowledge of God:
and he calleth himselfe, The child of the Lord.
16 He was made to * reproue our thoughts.
17 Hee is grieuous vnto vs euen to behold: * for
his life is not like other mens, his wayes are of an-
other fashion.
18 We are esteemed of him as ‖ counterfeits: he
abstaineth from our wayes as from filthinesse: hee
pronounceth the end of the iust to be blessed, and
maketh his boast that God is his father.
19 Let vs see if his words bee true: and let vs
proue what shall happen in the end of him.
20 For if the iust man be the * Sonne of God, hee
will helpe him and deliuer him from the hand of
his enemies.
21 Let vs * examine him with despitefulnesse
and torture, that wee may know his meekenesse,
and proue his patience.
22 Let vs condemne him with a shamefull death:
for by his owne saying hee shall be respected.
23 Such things they did imagine and were deceiued:
for their owne wickednes hath blinded them.
24 As for the mysteries of God, they knew them
not: neither hoped they for the wages of righte-
ousnesse: nor † discerned a reward for blamelesse
soules. Gen. 1.26. 27. & 3.22.
25 For God created man to bee immortall, and
made him to be an * image of his owne eternity.
26 Neuertheless, * through enuy of the deuill,
came death into the world: and they that doe hold
of his side, doe find it. Sapien. 15. 14. & 18. 5.

CHAP. III.

*1 The godly are happy in their death, 5 and in
their troubles. 10 The wicked are not, nor their chil-
dren: 15 But they that are pure are happy, though
they haue no children: 16 For the adulterer and his
child shall perish.*

BVt the soules of the righteous are in the hand
of God, and there shall no torment touch them.
2 * In the sight of the vnwise they seemed to die,
and their departure is taken for misery,
3 And their going from vs to be vtter destruc-
tion: but they are in peace.
4 For though they bee punished in the sight of
men, yet is their * hope full of immortality.
5 And hauing beene a little chastised, they shall
be greatly ‖ rewarded: for God * proued them, ‖ Or, benefited.
and found them ‖ worthy for himselfe. * Exec. 16.4.
6 As gold in the furnace hath he tried them, and
receiued them as a burnt offering.
7 And in the time of their * visitation they shall * dent. 8.2.
shine and runne to and fro, like sparkes among the ‖ Or, meet.
stubble. * Matth. 13.43.
8 They * shall iudge the nations, and haue domi- * Matth. 19.28.
nion ouer the people, and their Lord shall reigne
for euer.
9 They that put their trust in him, shall vnder- 1. cor. 6.2.
stand the truth: ‖ and such as be faithfull in loue, ‖ Or, and
shall abide with him: for grace and mercy is to his such as be
Saints, and he hath care for his Elect. faithfull,
10 But the * vngodly shall bee punished accor- shall re-
ding to their owne imaginations, which haue neg- maine
lected the righteous, and forsaken the Lord. with him
11 For whoso despiseth wisdome and nurture, he in loue.
is miserable, and their hope is vaine, their labours * Matth.
vnfruitfull, and their workes vnprofitable: 25.41.
12 Their wiues are ‖ foolish, and their children ‖ Or, light
wicked. or vn-
13 Their off-spring is cursed: wherefore blessed chaste.
is the barren that is vndefiled, which hath not
knowne the sinfull bed: shee * shall haue fruit in * Isa. 56.5.
the visitation of soules.
14 And *blessed is* the Eunuch, which with his
hands hath wrought no iniquity, nor imagined
wicked things against God: for vnto him shall be
giuen the * † speciall gift of faith, and an inheri- * Isa. 56.
tance ‖ in the Temple of the Lord, more accepta- 4.5.
ble to his mind. † Gr. the
15 For glorious is the fruit of good labours: and chosen.
the root of wisdome shall neuer fall away.
16 As for the children of adulterers, they shall ‖ Or,
not ‖ come to their perfection: and the seed of an amongst
vnrighteous bed shalbe rooted out. the people
17 For though they liue long, yet shall they bee (Or be
nothing regarded: and their last age shalbe with- partakers
out honour. of holy
18 Or if they die quickly, they haue no hope, nei- things.
ther comfort in the day of ‖ triall. ‖ Or, hearing.
19 For horrible is the end of the vnrighteous
generation.

CHAP. IIII.

*1 The chast man shall be crowned, 3 But vaine slips
shall not thriue. 6 They shall witnesse against their
parents. 7 The iust die young, and are happy. 19
The miserable end of the wicked.*

BEtter it is to haue no children and to haue ver-
tue: for the memoriall thereof is immortall:
because it is ‖ knowne with God and with men. ‖ Or, by
2 When it is present, men take example at it, proofe.
and when it is gone, they desire it: it weareth a
crowne, and triumpheth for euer, hauing gotten
the victory, striuing for vndefiled rewards.
3 But the multiplying brood of the vngodly
shall not thriue: nor take deepe rooting from ba-
stard slips, nor lay any fast foundation.
4 For though they flourish in branches for a time:
* yet standing not fast, they shall bee shaken with * Matth.
the wind: and through the force of winds they 7.19.
shall be rooted out.
5 The vnperfect branches shall be broken off,
their fruit vnprofitable, not ripe to eat: yea meet
for nothing.
6 For children begotten of vnlawfull † beds, are † Greeke.
witnesses of wickednesse against their parents in beds.
their tryall.
7 But though the righteous bee preuented with
death, yet shall hee bee in rest.

B 7 8 For

8 For honourable age is not that which standeth in length of time, nor that is measured by number of yeeres.

9 But wisdome is the gray haire vnto men, and an vnspotted life is old age.

10 *Hee pleased God, and was beloued of him; so that liuing among sinners, he was translated.

11 Yea, speedily was hee taken away, lest that wickednesse should alter his vnderstanding, or deceit beguile his soule.

12 For the bewitching of naughtinesse doth obscure things that are honest: and the wandring of concupiscence doth †vndermine the simple mind.

13 Hee being made ‖perfect in a short time, fulfilled a long time.

14 For his soule pleased the Lord: therefore hasted he *to take him away* from among the wicked.

15 This the people saw, and vnderstood it not: neither laid they vp this in their minds, That his grace and mercy is with his Saints, and that hee hath respect vnto his chosen.

16 Thus the righteous that is dead, shall condemne the vngodly which are liuing, and youth that is soone perfected, the many yeeres and old age of the vnrighteous.

17 For they shall see the end of the wise, and shal not vnderstand what God in his counsell hath decreed of him, and to what end the Lord hath set him in safety.

18 They shall see him, and despise him, but God shall laugh them to scorne, and they shall hereafter bee a vile carcasse, and a reproch among the dead for euermore.

19 For he shall rend them, and cast them downe headlong, that they shall bee speechlesse; and hee shall shake them from the foundation: and they shalbe vtterly laid waste, and bee in sorrow: and their memorial shall perish.

20 And ‖when they cast vp the accounts of their sinnes, they shall come with feare: and their owne iniquities shall conuince them to their face.

CHAP. V.

1 The wicked shall wonder at the godly, 4 and confesse their errour, 5 and the vanity of their liues. 15 God will reward the iust, and warre against the wicked.

THen shall the righteous man stand in great boldnesse, before the face of such as haue afflicted him, and made no account of his labours.

2 When they see it, they shalbe troubled with terrible feare, and shall bee amazed at the strangenesse of his saluation, so farre beyond all that they looked for.

3 And they repenting and groaning for anguish of spirit, shall say within themselues, This was he whom we had sometime in derision, and a ‖ prouerbe of reproach.

4 Wee *fooles counted his life madnesse, and his end to be without honour.

5 How is he numbred among the children of God, and his lot is among the Saints?

6 Therefore haue wee erred from the way of trueth, and the light of righteousnesse hath not shined vnto vs, and the Sun of righteousnesse rose not vpon vs.

7 We ‖wearied our selues in the way of wickednesse and destruction: yea wee haue gone thorow desarts, where there lay no way: but as for the way of the Lord we haue not knowne it.

8 What hath pride profited vs? or what good hath riches with our vaunting brought vs?

9 All those things are *past away like a shadow, and as a poste that hasted by.

10 And as a ship that passeth ouer the waues of the water, which when it is gone by, the trace thereof cannot be found: neither the pathway of the keele in the waues.

11 *Or as when a bird ‖ hath flowne thorow the ayre, there is no token of her way to be found, but the light ayre being beaten with the stroke of her wings, and parted with the violent noise and motion of them, is passed thorow, and therein afterwards no signe where she went is to be found.

12 Or like as when an arrow is shot at a marke, it parteth the ayre, which immediately commeth together againe: so that a man cannot know when it went thorow:

13 Euen so wee in like manner, assone as wee were borne, began to draw to our end, and had no signe of vertue to shew: but were consumed in our owne wickednesse.

14 * For the hope of the vngodly is like † dust that is blowne away with the wind, like a thin froth that is driuen away with the fearefull like the ‖ smoake which is * dispersed here and there with a tempest, and passeth away as the remembrance of a ghest that tarrieth but a day.

15 But the righteous liue for euermore, their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the most High.

16 Therfore shall they receiue a glorious kingdome, and a beautifull crowne from the Lords hand: for with his right hand shall he couer them, and with his arme shall he protect them.

17 Hee shall take to him his zealous fire for complete armour, and make the creature his weapon for the reuenge of his enemies.

18 Hee shall put on * righteousnesse as a brest plate, and true iudgement in stead of an helmet.

19 He shal take ‖ holines for an inuincible shield.

20 His seuere wrath shall hee sharpen for a sword, and the world shall fight with him against the vnwise.

21 Then shall the right-aiming thunderbolts go abroad, and from the clouds as from a well-drawne bow, shall they flie to the marke.

22 And hailestones full of wrath shall be cast out of a stone-bow, and the water of the Sea shall rage against them, and the flouds shall cruelly drowne them.

23 Yea a mighty wind shal stand vp against them, and like a storme shall blow them away: thus iniquity shall lay waste the whole earth, and ill dealing shall ouerthrow the thrones of the mighty.

CHAP. VI.

1 Kings must giue care. 3 Their power from God: 5 Who will not spare them. 12 Wisdome is soone found. 21 Princes must seeke to 24 For a wise Prince is the stay of his people.

HEare therefore, O yee Kings, and vnderstand: learne yee that be iudges of the ends of the earth.

2 Giue eare, you that rule the people, and glory in the multitude of nations:

3 For * power is giuen you of the Lord, and soueraignety from the Highest, who shall try your workes, and search out your counsels.

4 Because being Ministers of his kingdome, ye haue not iudged aright, nor kept the Law, nor walked after the counsell of God,

5 Horribly and speedily shall he come vpon you: for a sharpe iudgement shall be to them that beare high places.

6 For mercy will soone pardon the meanest: but mighty men shalbe mightily tormented.

Eccles. 25. 4.
Gene. 5. 24. heb. 11. 5.
Greeke. perwrot. Heb. sanctified, or consummated.
Ioh. 5. 24. 1. Ioh. 3. 14. 2. Ioh. 2. 11. 29.
Or, to the casting vp of the accounts.
Iob. 2. 12.
Mat. 12. 36. 37. 406. 12. 14. mat. 24. 36. mar. 13. 32. Ioh. 14. 29.
Or, parable.
Chap. 3. 2.
Or, filled our selues, or surfeited.
2. Chro. 29. 15. & 2. 5.
Isa. 9. 24. prou. 18. 12. 24. 4.
prou. 25. 2. 4.
Deut. 10. 17.

For hee which is Lord euer all, shall feare no
mans person: neither shall hee stand in awe of
any mans greatnesse: for hee hath made the small
and great, and careth for all alike.
But a sore triall shall come vpon the mighty.
Vnto you therefore, *O Kings*, doe I speake, that
you may learne wisedome, and not fall away.
For they that keepe holinesse holily, shall be
iudged holy: and they that haue learned such
things, shall finde what to answere.
Wherefore set your affection vpon my words,
desire them, and ye shall be instructed.
Wisedome is glorious, and neuer fadeth away:
yea, she is easily seene of them that loue her,
and found of such as seeke her.
She preuenteth them that desire her, in making
her selfe first knowne vnto them.
Whoso seeketh her early, shall haue no great
trouble: for he shall find her sitting at his doores.
To thinke therefore vpon her is perfection of
wisedome: and whoso watcheth for her, shal quickly be without care.
For shee goeth about seeking such as are worthy of her, sheweth her selfe fauourably vnto them
in the waies, and meeteth them in euery thought.
For the very true beginning of her, is the desire of discipline, & the care of discipline is loue:
And loue is the keeping of her lawes: and the giuing heed vnto her lawes, is the assurance of incorruption.
And incorruption maketh vs neere vnto God.
Therefore the desire of wisedome bringeth to a kingdome.
If your delight bee then in thrones and scepters, O yee Kings of the people, honour wisedome, that ye may reigne for euermore.
As for wisedome, what she is, and how shee came vp, I will tell you, and will not hide mysteries from you, but will seeke her out from the beginning of her nativity, and bring the knowledge of her into light, and will not passe ouer the truth.
Neither will I goe with consuming enuy: for such a man shall haue no fellowship with wisdome.
But the multitude of the wise is the welfare of the world: and a wise King is the vpholding of the people.
Receive therefore instruction through my words, and it shall doe you good.

CHAP. VII.

All men haue their beginning and end alike. 6 I preferred wisedome before all things else. 8 I vse him all the knowledge which hee had. 22 The praise of wisedome.

I my selfe also am a mortal man like to all, & the offspring of him that was first made of earth,
And in my mothers wombe was fashioned to flesh in the time of ten moneths, * being compacted in blood, of the seed of man, and the pleasure that came with sleepe.
And when I was borne, I drew in the common aire, & fell vpon the earth, which is of like nature, and the first voyce that I vttered, was crying as others doe.
I was nursed in swadling clothes, and that with cares.
For there is no King that had any other beginning of birth.
For all men haue one entrance vnto life, and the like going out.
Wherefore I prayed, and vnderstanding was giuen me: I called vpon God, and the spirit of wisedome came to me.
I preferred her before scepters and thrones, and esteemed riches nothing in comparison of her.
Neither compared I vnto her any † precious stone, because all gold in respect of her is as a little sand, and siluer shall be counted as clay before her.
I loued her aboue health and beauty, and chose to haue her in stead of light: for the light that commeth from her, neuer goeth out.
All * good things together came to me with her, and innumerable riches in her hands.
And I reioyced in *them* all, because wisedome goeth before them: and I knew not that shee was the mother of them.
I learne † diligently, and doe communicate *her* † liberally, I doe not hide her riches.
For she is a treasure vnto men that neuer faileth, which they that vse † become the friends of God: being commended for the gifts that come from learning.
God hath † granted me to speake as I would, and to conceiue as is meet for the things that are giuen me: because it is he that leadeth vnto wisedome, and directeth the wise.
For in his hand are both we and our words: all wisedome also, and knowledge of workmanship.
For he hath giuen me certaine knowledge of the things that are, namely, to know how the world was made, and the operation of the Elements:
The beginning, ending, and midst of the times, the alterations of the turning *of the Sunne*, and the change of seasons:
The circuits of yeeres, and the positions of Starres:
The natures of liuing creatures, and the furies of wild beasts: the violence of winds, and the reasonings of men: the diuersities of plants, and the vertues of roots:
And all such things as are either secret, or manifest: them I know.
For wisedome which is the worker of all things, taught me: for in her is an vnderstanding spirit, holy, † one only, manifold, subtill, liuely, cleare, vndefiled, plaine, not subiect to hurt, louing the thing that is good, quicke, which cannot bee letted, ready to doe good:
Kind to man, stedfast, sure, free from care, hauing all power, ouerseeing all things, & going through all vnderstanding, pure & most subtill spirits.
For wisedome is more moouing then any motion: she passeth and goeth through all things by reason of her pureness.
For she is the † breath of the power of God, & a pure † influence flowing from the glory of the Almighty: therfore can no defiled thing fall into her.
For she is the * brightnesse of the euerlasting light: the vnspotted mirror of the power of God, and the image of his goodnesse.
And being but one, shee can doe all things: and remaining in her selfe, she † maketh all things new, and in all ages entring into holy soules, shee maketh them friends of God, and Prophets.
For God loueth none but him that dwelleth with wisedome.
For shee is more beautifull than the Sunne, and aboue all the order of starres, being compared with the light, she is found before it.
For after this commeth night: but vice shall not preuaile against wisedome.

CHAP. VIII.

2 He is in loue with wisedome. 4 For hee that hath it, hath euery good thing. 21 It cannot be had but from God.

‖Or, profitably.

WIsedome reacheth from one end to another mightily: and ‖sweetly doeth she order all things.

2 I loued her and sought her out, from my youth I desired ‖to make her my spouse, and I was a louer of her beauty.

‖Or, to marry her to my selfe.

3 In that she is conuersant with God, thee magnifieth her nobility; yea, the Lord of all things himselfe loued her.

‖Or, teacher.

4 For shee is ‖priny to the mysteries of the knowledge of God, and a ‖louer of his workes.

‖Or, chuser.

5 If riches be a possession to be desired in this life: what is richer then wisedome, that worketh all things?

*Exod. 31. 48.

6 And if *prudence worke: who of all that are is a more cunning workeman then she?

7 And if a man loue righteousnes, her labors are vertues: for she teacheth temperance & prudence, iustice and fortitude: which are such things as men can haue nothing more profitable in their life.

8 If a man desire much experience; she knoweth things of old, and coniectureth aright what is to come: she knoweth the subtilities of speeches, and can expound darke sentences: shee foreseeth signes and wonders, and the euents of seasons and times.

9 Therfore I purposed to take her to me, to liue ‖Or, will. with me, knowing that she ‖would be a counseller of good things, and a comfort in cares and griefe.

10 For her sake I shall haue estimation among the multitude, and honour with the Elders, though I be young.

11 I shall be found of a quicke conceit in iudgement, & shal be admired in the sight of great men.

*Iob 29. 8, 9, 10, 11

12 *When I hold my tongue, they shall bide my leasure, and when I speake, they shall giue good eare vnto me: if I talke much, they shall lay their hands vpon their mouth.

13 Moreouer, by the meanes of her I shal obtaine immortality, and leaue behind mee an euerlasting memoriall to them that come after me.

‖Or, gouerne.

14 I shall ‖set the people in order, and the nations shall be subiect vnto me.

15 Horrible tyrants shall bee afraid when they doe but heare of me, I shall ‖be found good among the multitude, and valiant in warre.

‖Or, appeare.

‖Or, being entred in so mine house.

16 ‖After I am come into my house, I will repose my selfe with her: for her conuersation hath no bitternesse; and to liue with her, hath no sorrow, but mirth and ioy.

17 Now when I considered these things in my selfe, and *pondered them in my heart, how that to be allied to wisedome is immortality,

*Pro. 7. 3.

18 And great pleasure it is to haue her friendship, and in the workes of her hands are infinite riches, and in the exercise of conference with her, prudence: and in talking with her, a ‖good report: ‖Or, fame ‖Or, marry her. I wonder about seeking how to ‖take her to me.

19 For I was a witty child, & had a good spirit.

20 Yea, rather being good, I came into a body vndefiled.

21 Neuertheless, when I perceiued that I could not otherwise obtaine her, except God gaue her me (and that was a point of wisedome also to know ‖Or, went whose gift she was) I ‖prayed vnto the Lord, and besought him, and with my whole heart I said:

CHAP. IX.

1 *A prayer vnto God for his wisedome, 6 without which the best man is nothing worth, 13 neither can he tell how to please God.*

Apray

O God of my fathers, and Lord of mercy, who hast made all things with thy word,

2 And ordained man through thy wisedome, that he should haue *dominion ouer the creatures which thou hast made,

3 And order the world according to equity and righteousnesse, and execute iudgement with an vpright heart:

4 Giue *me wisedome, that sitteth by thy throne, and reiect me not from among thy children.

5 For I *thy seruant, and sonne of thine handmaid, am a feeble person, and of short time, and too young for the vnderstanding of iudgement and lawes.

6 For though a man bee neuer so perfect among the children of men, yet if thy wisedome be not with him she shall be nothing regarded.

7 Thou hast chosen me to be a King of thy people, and a iudge of thy sonnes and daughters.

8 Thou hast commanded me to build a Temple vpon thy holy mount, & an Altar in the citie wherein thou dwellest, a resemblance of thy holy Tabernacle which thou hast prepared from the beginning.

9 And *wisedome was with thee which knoweth thy workes, and was present when thou madest the world, and knew what was acceptable in thy sight, and right in thy Commandements.

10 O send her out of thy holy heauens, and from the throne of thy glory, that being present she may labour with me, that I may know what is pleasant vnto thee.

11 For shee knoweth and vnderstandeth all things, and she shall lead me soberly in my doings, and preserue me by her power.

12 So shall my workes be acceptable, and then shall I iudge thy people iustly, and be worthy to sit in my fathers seate.

13 For what *man is he that can know the counsell of God? or who can thinke what the will of the Lord is?

14 For the thoughts of mortall men are miserable, and our deuices are but vncertaine.

15 For the corruptible body presseth downe the soule, and the earthy tabernacle weigheth downe the mind that museth vpon many things.

16 And hardly doe we gesse aright at things that are vpon earth, and with labour doe we find the things that are before vs: but the things that are in heauen, who hath searched out?

17 And thy counsell who hath known, except thou giue wisedome, & send thy holy Spirit from aboue?

18 For so the wayes of them which liued on the earth were reformed, and men were taught the things that are pleasing vnto thee, and were saued through wisedome.

CHAP. X.

1 *What wisedome did for Adam, 4 Noah, 5 Abraham, 5 Lot, and against the fiue cities, 6 Iacob, 13 Ioseph, 16 Moyses, 17 and Israel.*

SHee preserued the first formed father of the world, that was created alone, and brought him out of his fall,

2 And *gaue him power to rule all things.

3 *But when the vnrighteous went from her in his anger, he perished also in the rage wherewith he murthered his brother.

4 For whose cause the earth being drowned with the flood, wisedome againe gouerned it, and directed the course of the righteous in a peece of wood of small value.

5 Moreouer, *the nations in their wicked conspiracy, being confounded, she found out the righteous, and preserued him blameles vnto God, and kept him strong against his tender compassion toward his Sonne.

6 *When

6 *When the vngodly perished, she deliuered the righteous man, who fled from the fire which fell vpon the † fiue cities.

7 Of whose wickednesse euen to this day the waste land that smoketh is a testimony, and plants bearing fruit that never come to ripenesse: and a standing pillar of salt, is a monument of an vnbelieuing soule.

8 For regarding not wisdome, they gate not only this hurt, that they knew not the things which were good, but also left behind them to the world a memoriall of their foolishnesse: so that in the things wherein they offended, they could not so much as be hid.

9 But wisdome deliuered from paine those that attended vpon her.

10 When the righteous fled from his brothers wrath, she guided him in right paths, shewed him the kingdom of God: and gaue him knowledge of holy things, made him rich in his trauels, and multiplied *the fruit of* his labours.

11 In the couetousnesse of such as oppressed him, she stood by him and made him rich.

12 She defended him from his enemies, and kept him safe from those that lay in wait, and in a sore conflict, she gaue him the victory, that he might know that godlinesse is stronger then all.

13 *When the righteous was sold, she forsooke him not, but deliuered him from sinne: she went downe with him into the pit,

14 And left him not in bonds, till she brought him the Scepter of the kingdome, and ‖ power against those that oppressed him: as for them that had accused him, she shewed them to be liers, and gaue him perpetuall glory.

15 *She deliuered the righteous people, & blameles seed from the nation that oppressed them.

16 She entred into the soule of the seruant of the Lord, and * withstood dreadfull kings in wonders and tokens,

17 Rendred to the righteous a reward of their labours, guided them in a marueilous way, and was vnto them for a couer by day, and a light of starres in the night season:

18 *Brought them thorow the red Sea, & led them thorow much water.

19 But she drowned their enemies, and cast them out of the bottome of the deepe.

20 Therefore the righteous spoiled the vngodly, and praised thy holy Name, O Lord, and magnified with one accord thine hand that fought for them.

21 For wisdome opened the mouth of the dumbe, and made the tongues of them that cannot speake, eloquent.

CHAP. xj.

1 The Egyptians were punished among the Heathen after such the same thing. 15 They were plagued in the same things, wherein they sinned. 20 God could haue destroyed them other wise. 23 But he is merciful to all.

SHe prospered their workes in the hand of the holy Prophet.

2 *They went thorow the wilderneſse that was not inhabited, and pitched tents in places where there lay no way.

3 They stood against their enemies, and were auenged of their aduersaries.

4 When they were thirsty they called vpon thee, and water was giuen them out of the flinty rocke, and their thirst was quenched out of the hard stone.

5 For by what things their enemies were punished, by the same they in their need were benefited.

6 For in stead of a fountaine of a perpetuall running riuer, troubled with foule blood,

7 For a manifest reproofe of that commandement wherby the infants were slaine, thou gauest vnto them abundance of water by a meanes which they looked not for,

8 Declaring by that thirst then, *how thou hadst punished their aduersaries. * Exod. 7.20.

9 For when they were tried, albeit but in mercy chastised, they knew how the vngodly were iudged in wrath, and tormented, thirsting in another manner then the iust.

10 For these thou fiddeſt admonish, and trie as a father: but the other as a seuere King thou didst condemne and, waste.

11 Whether they were absent or present, they were vexed alike.

12 For a double griefe came vpon them, and a groning for the remembrance of things past.

13 For when they heard by their owne punishments the cause to be benefited, they † had some feeling of the Lord. † Or, perceiued.

14 For whom they reiected with scorne when he was long before throwne out at the casting forth of *the beasts*, him in the end when they saw what came to passe, they admired,

15 But for the foolish deuices of their wickednesse wherewith being deceiued, they worshipped for gods void of reason, most vile beasts: thou didst send a multitude of vnreasonable beasts vpon them for vengeance,

16 That they might know, that wherewithall a man offendeth, by the same also shall he be punished.

17 For thy Almighty hand, that made the world of matter without forme, wanted not meanes to send among them a multitude of Beares, or fierce Lyons,

18 Or vnknowne wild beasts full of rage, newly created, breathing out either a fiery vapour, or filthy sents of scattered smoake, or shooting horrible sparkles out of their eyes:

19 Whereof not only the harme might dispatch them at once: but also the terrible sight vtterly destroy them.

20 Yea and without these might they haue fallen downe with one blast, being persecuted of vengeance, and scattered abroad through the breath of thy power: but thou hast ordered all things in measure, number, and weight.

21 For it is euer in thine owne power great at all times when thou wilt, and who may withstand the power of thine arme?

22 For the whole world before thee is as a little ‖ graine of the ballance, yea as a drop of the morning dew that falleth down vpon the earth.

23 But thou hast mercy vpon all, for thou canst do all things, and winkest at the sinnes of men, because they should amend.

24 For thou louest all the things that are, and abhorrest nothing which thou hast made, for neuer wouldest thou haue made any thing, if thou hadst hated it.

25 And how could any thing haue endured, if it had not been so will'd of thee? or been preserued, if not called of thee?

26 But thou sparest all: for they are thine, O Lord, thou louer of soules.

CHAP. xij.

2 God did not destroy those of Canaan all at once. 12 If he had done so who could controule him? 19 But by sparing them he taught vs. 27 They were punished with their gods.

R 1 3 For

Eccles. 42.7 Esay. 40.15 Esay. 40.22 Or, little weight.

FOr thine incorruptible Spirit is in all things.
2 Therefore chastenest thou them by little and little that offend, and warnest them by putting them in remembrance wherein they haue offended, that leaning their wickednesse, they may beleeue on thee, O Lord.
3 For it was thy will to destroy by the hands of our fathers, both those ‖ old inhabitants of thy holy Land.
4 Whom thou hatedst for doing most odious works of ‖ witchcrafts, and wicked sacrifices;
5 And also those mercilesse murderers of children, and deuourers of mans flesh, and the feasts of blood;
6 With their Priests out of the midst of their idolatrous crew, and the parents that killed with their owne hands, soules destitute of helpe:
7 That the land which thou esteemedst above all other, might receiue a worthy ‖ colony of Gods children.
8 Neuertheless, euen those thou sparedst as men, and didst send * waspes, for ensamers of thine hoste, to destroy them by little and little.
9 Not that thou wast vnable to bring the vngodly vnder the hand of the righteous in battell, or to destroy them at once with cruell beasts, or with one rough word:
10 But executing thy iudgements vpon them by little and little thou gauest them place of repentance, not being ignorant that they were a naughty generation, & that their malice was bred in them, and that their cogitation would neuer be changed.
11 For it was a * cursed seed from the beginning, neither didst thou for feare of any man giue them pardon for those things wherein they sinned.
12 For who shall say, * What hast thou done? or who shall withstand thy iudgement? or who shall accuse thee for the nations that perish, whom thou hast made? or who shall come to ‖ stand against thee, to be ‖ reuenged for the vnrighteous men?
13 For neither is there any God but thou, that * careth for all, to whom thou mightest shew that thy iudgement is not vnright.
14 Neither shal king or tyrant be able to set his face against thee, for any whom thou hast punished.
15 For so much then as thou art righteous thy selfe, thou orderest all things righteously: * thinking it not agreeable with thy power to condemne him that hath not deserued to be punished.
16 For thy power is the beginning of righteousnesse, and because thou art the Lord of all, it maketh thee to be gracious vnto all.
17 For when men will not beleeue that thou art of a ‖ full power, thou shewest thy strength, and among them that know it, thou makest their boldnesse vnmixed.
18 But thou mastering thy power, iudgest with equity, and orderest vs with great fauour: for thou mayst vse power when thou wilt.
19 But by such workes hast thou taught thy people, that the iust man should be mercifull, and hast made thy children to be of a good hope, that thou giuest repentance for sinnes.
20 For if thou didst punish the enemies of thy children, and the condemned to death with such deliberation, giuing them time and place whereby they might be deliuered from their malice:
21 With how great circumspection didst thou iudge thine owne sons, vnto whose fathers thou hast sworne, and made couenants of good promises?
22 Therefore, whereas thou doest chasten vs, thou scourgest our enemies a thousand times more, to the intent that when we iudge, we should carefully thinke of thy goodnesse, and when we our selues are iudged, we should looke for mercie.
23 Wherefore whereas men haue liued dishonestly, and vnrighteously, thou hast tormented them with their owne ‖ abominations.
24 * For they went astray exceedingly in the waies of error, and held them for gods (which euen among the beasts of their enemies were despised) being deceiued as children of no vnderstanding.
25 Therefore vnto them, as vnto children without the vse of reason, thou didst send a iudgement to mocke them.
26 But they that would not be ‖ ashamed by that correction wherin he dallied with them, shall feele a iudgement worthy of God.
27 For looke for what things they were grieued when they were punished, (that is) for the which they thought to be gods [now] seene punished in them when they saw it, they acknowledged him to be the true God, whom before they denied to know: therefore came extreame damnation vpon them.

CHAP. XIII.

1 They were not excused that worshipped Gods workes: 10 but much condemned that worship the vses of mans hands.

SVrely vaine are all men by nature, which are ignorant of God, and could not out of the good things that are seene, know him that is: neither by considering the workes, did they acknowledge the worke-master;
2 * But deemed either fire, or wind, or the swift ayre, or the circle of the starres, or the rude water, or the lights of heauen to be the gods which gouerne the world.
3 With whose beauty, if they being delighted, tooke them to be gods: let them know, how much better the Lord of them is, for the first Author of beauty hath created them.
4 But if they were astonished at their power and vertue, let them vnderstand by them, how much mightier he is that made them.
5 For by the greatnesse and beauty of the creatures proportionable the Maker of them is seene.
6 But yet for this they are the lesse to be blamed, for they peraduenture erre, seeking God and desirous to find him.
7 For being * conuersant in his workes, they ‖ search him diligently, and beleeue their eyes, because the things are beautifull that are seene.
8 Howbeit, neither are they to be pardoned.
9 For if they were able to know so much, that they could aime at the world, how did they not sooner finde out the Lord thereof?
10 But miserable are they, and in dead things is their hope, who call them gods, which are the works of mens hands, gold and siluer, to shew Art in, and resemblances of beasts, or a stone, good for nothing, the worke of an ancient hand.
11 * Now a ‖ Carpenter that felleth timber, after he hath sawen downe a tree meet for the purpose, and taken off all the barke skilfully round about, and hath wrought it handsomly, and made a vessell thereof, fit for the seruice of mans life;
12 And after spending the ‖ refuse of his worke to dresse his meat, hath filled his belly:
13 And taking the ‖ remnant thereof among those which serued to no vse (being a crooked piece of wood, and full of knots) hath carued it diligently, when he had nothing else to do, and formed it by the skill of his vnderstanding, and fashioned it to the image of a man:

Or, ancient.
Or, sorceries.
Or new inhabitants.
Exod. 33.2. deu. 2.22.
Gen. 9.25.
Rom. 9.20.
Or in thy presence.
Or, a reuenger.
1 Pet. 5.7.
Iob 10.2.
Or, perfect.

14 Or made it like some vile beast, laying it ouer with vermillion, and with paint, colouring it red: and couering euery spot therein:

15 And when he had made a conuenient roome for it, set it in a wall, and made it fast with yron:

16 For he prouided for it, that it might not fall: knowing that it was vnable to helpe it selfe, (for it is an image, and hath need of helpe:)

17 Then maketh he prayer for his goods, for his wife and children, and is not ashamed to speake to that which hath no life.

18 For health, he calleth vpon that which is weake: for life, prayeth to that which is dead: for ayde, humbly beseecheth † that which hath least meanes to helpe: and for a good iourney he asketh of that which cannot set a foot forward:

19 And for gaining and getting, and for good successe of his hands, asketh ability to doe, of him that is most vnable to doe any thing.

CHAP. XIIII.

1 Though men doe not pray to their ships, 5 yet are they saued rather by them then by their idoles. 8 Idoles are accursed, and so are the makers of them. 14 The beginning of idolatry, 23 and the effects thereof. 30 God will punish them that sweare falsly by their idoles.

AGaine, one preparing himselfe to saile, and about to passe through the raging waues, calleth vpon a piece of wood, more rotten then the feeble that caryeth him.

2 For verely desire of gaine deuised that, and the workeman built it by his skill:

3 But thy prouidence, O Father, gouerneth it: for thou hast *made a way in the Sea, and a safe path in the waues:

4 Shewing that thou canst saue from all danger: yea, though a man went to sea without Art.

5 Nuertheleste, thou wouldest not that the workes of thy wisedome should be idle, and therefore doe men commit their liues to a small piece of wood, and passing the rough sea in a weake vessell, are saued.

6 *For in the old time also, when the proud giants perished, the hope of the world gouerned by thy hand escaped in a weake vessell, and left to all ages a seed of generation.

7 For blessed is the wood whereby righteousnes commeth.

8 But that which is made with hands, is cursed, as well *it, as he that made it: he, because he made it; and it, because being corruptible, it was called God.

9 *For the vngodly, and his vngodlinesse, are both alike hatefull vnto God.

10 For that which is made, shall be punished together with him that made it.

11 Therefore euen vpon ‖ the idoles of the Gentiles, shall there be a visitation: because in the creature of God they are become an abomination, and *stumbling blockes to the soules of men, and a snare to the feet of the vnwise.

12 For the deuising of idoles was the beginning of spirituall fornication, and the inuention of them the corruption of life.

13 For neither were they from the beginning, neither shall they be for euer.

14 For by the vaine-glory of men, they entred into the world, and therefore shall they come shortly to an end.

15 For a father afflicted with vntimely mourning, when he hath made an image of his child, some taken away: now honoured him as a god, which was then a dead man, and deliuered to those that were vnder him, ceremonies and sacrifices.

16 Thus † in processe of time, an vngodly custome growen strong, was kept as a law, and grauen images were worshipped by the commandements of ‖ Kings,

17 Whom men could not honour ‖ in presence, because they dwelt farre off, they tooke the counterfeit of his visage from far, and made an expresse image of a king, whom they honoured, to the end that by this their forwardnesse they might flatter him that was absent, as if he were present.

18 Also the singular diligence of the Artificer, did helpe to set forward the ignorant to more superstition.

19 For he peraduenture, willing to please one in authority, forced all his skill to make the resemblance † of the best fashion.

20 And so the multitude allured by the grace of the worke, tooke him now for a god, which a little before was but honoured as a man.

21 And this was an occasion to deceiue the world: for men seruing either calamity or tyranny, did ascribe vnto stones, and stockes, the incommunicable ‖ Name.

22 Moreouer, this was not enough for them, that they erred in the knowledge of God, but whereas they lined in the great warre of ignorance, those so great plagues called they peace.

23 For whilest they *slew their children in sacrifices, or vsed secret ceremonies, or made reuellings of strange rites.

24 They kept neither liues nor marriages any longer vndefiled: but either one slew another traiterously, or grieued him by adultery;

25 So that there reigned in all men ‖ without exception, blood, man-slaughter, theft, and dissimulation, corruption, vnfaithfulnesse, tumults, periury,

26 Disquieting of good men, forgetfulnesse of good turnes, defiling of soules, changing of ‖ kind, disorder in marriages, adultery, and shamelesse vncleannesse.

27 For the worshipping of idoles † not to be named, is the beginning, the cause, and the end of all euill.

28 For either they are mad when they be merry, or prophesie lies, or liue vniustly, or else lightly forsweare themselues.

29 For insomuch as their trust is in idoles which haue no life though they sweare falsely, yet they looke not to be hurt.

30 Howbeit, for both causes shall they be iustly punished: both because they thought not well of God, ‖ giuing heed vnto idoles, and also vniustly swore in deceit, despising holinesse.

31 For it is not the power of them by whom they sweare: but it is the iust vengeance of sinners, that punisheth alwayes the offence of the vngodly.

CHAP. XV.

1 We do acknowledge the true God. 7 The folly of idole-makers, 14 and of the enemies of Gods people 15 because, besides the idoles of the Gentiles 18 They worshipped vile beasts.

BVt thou, O God, art gracious and true: long-suffering, and in mercy ordering all things.

2 For if we sin, we are thine, knowing thy power: But we will not sin, knowing ‖ we are counted thine.

3 For to know thee, is perfect righteousnesse: yea to know thy power, is the root of immortality.

4 For neither did the mischieuous inuention of men deceiue vs, nor any image spotted with diuers colours, the Painters fruitlesse labour.

† Greeke, in time.
‖ Or, tyrants.
‖ Or, in sight.
† Gr. to the better
‖ Of God.
* Deut. 18. 10. iere. 7. 9. and 19. 4.
‖ Or, carnally.
‖ Or, sexe.
† Greeke, namelesse
‖ Or, vniustly

5 The sight whereof ‖ entiseth fooles to lust after it, and so they desire the forme of a dead image that hath no breath.

‖Or, surpreach to the foolish.

6 Both they that make them, they that desire them, and they that worship them, are louers of euill things, and are worthy to haue such things to tiust vpon.

7 For the * potter tempering soft earth, fashioneth euery vessel with much labour for our seruice: yea, of the same clay he maketh both the vessels that serue for cleane vses: and likewise also all such as serue to the contrary; but what is the vse of either sort, the potter himselfe is the iudge.

*Rom. 9.21.

8 And imploying his labours lewdly, he maketh a vaine god of the same clay, euen he which a little before was made of earth himselfe, and within a little while after returneth to the same out of the which he was taken: when his * life which was lent him shall be demanded.

*Luke 12.20.

9 Notwithstand his care is, not that he shall haue much labour, nor that ‖ his life is short: but striueth to excell golde smiths, and siluersmiths, and endeauoureth to doe like the workers in brasse, and counteth it his glory to make counterfeit things.

‖Or, be sicke, or die.

10 His heart is ashes, his hope is more vile then earth, and his life of lesse value then clay:

11 Forasmuch as he knew not his Maker, and him that inspired into him an actiue soule, and breathed in a liuing spirit.

12 But they counted our life a passime, and our † time here a market for gaine: for say they, we must be getting euery way, though it be by euill meanes.

†Gr. life.

13 ‖ For this man that of earthly matter maketh brickle vessels, and grauen images, knoweth himselfe to offend aboue all others.

‖Or, so.

14 And all the enemies of thy people, that hold them in subiection, are most foolish, and are more miserable then very babes.

15 For they counted all the idols of the heathen to be gods: which neither haue the vse of eyes to see; nor nose to draw breath, nor eares to heare, nor fingers of hands to handle; and as for their feet, they are slow to goe.

‖Or, eyes.

16 For man made them, and he that borrowed his owne spirit, fashioned them, But no man can make a god like vnto himselfe.

17 For being mortall, he worketh a dead thing with wicked hands: for he himselfe is better then the things which he worshippeth: whereas he liued *once*, but they neuer.

18 Yea, they worshipped those beasts also that are most hatefull: for being compared together, some are worse then others.

19 Neither are they beautifull, so much, as to be desired in respect of beasts, but they went without the praise of God and his blessing.

CHAP. XVI.

2 God gaue strange meat to his people, to stir vp their appetite, and vile beasts to their enemies to take it from them. 5 Hee stung with his serpents, 22 but some healed them by his word only. 17 The creatures altered their nature to please Gods people, and to offend their enemies.

THerefore by the like were they punished worthily, and by the multitude of beasts * tormented.

*Numb. 21.6. &c. 11.5, 16.

2 Instead of which punishment, dealing graciously with thine owne people, thou preparedst for them, meat of a strange taste: euen * quailes to stirre vp their appetite:

*Numb. 11.31.

3 To the end that they desiring food, might for the ougly sight of the beasts sent among them, loathe euen that which they must needes desire; but these suffering penury for a short space, might be made partakers of a strange iste.

4 For it was requisite that vpon them the cruell tyranny, should come penury, which they could not auoyd; but to these it should only be declared how their enemies were tormented.

5 For when the horrible fiercenes of beasts came vpon ‖ these, and they perished with the * stings of crooked serpents, his wrath continued not for euer.

‖Or, these.

*6 But they were troubled for a small space, that they might be admonished, hauing a * signe of saluation, to put them in remembrance of the commandement of thy Law.

7 For he that turned himselfe vnto it, was not saued by the thing that he saw, but by thee, which art the Sauiour of all.

8 And in this thou madest our enemies confesse, that it is thou who deliuerest from all euill.

9 For * them the biting of grashoppers and flies killed, neither was there found any remedy for their life: for they were worthy to be punished by such.

10 But thy sonnes, nor the very teeth of venemous dragons ouercame; for thy mercie was euer by them, and healed them.

11 For they were † pricked that they should remember thy words, and were quickly saued, that not falling into deepe forgetfulnes, they might be † continually mindfull of thy benefits.

†Gr. stricken. †Gr. vnforgetfulnes.

12 For it was neither herbe nor mollifying plaister, that restored them to health, but thy word, O Lord, which healeth all things. Psalm. 36.

13 For thou hast power of life and death: thou * leadest to the gates of hell, and bringest vp.

14 A man indeed killeth in his malice the wicked man, and the spirit when it is gone forth, returneth not: neither the soule receiued vp.

15 But it is not possible to escape thine hand.

16 * For the vngodly, denying to know thee, were scourged by the strength of thine arme: with strange raines, hailes, and showres they were persecuted, that they could not escape, and fire throughout wrought them continuall punishment.

17 For which is most to be wondered at, fire had more force in the water, which quenches all things: for the * world fought for the righteous.

18 For sometimes the flame was softened, that it might not burne vp the beasts that were sent against the vngodly: that they seeing might perceiue that they were persecuted with the iudgment of God.

19 And at another time, euen in the midst of water, it burned aboue the power of fire, that it might destroy the fruits of an vniust land.

20 * In stead whereof thou feddest thine owne people with Angels food, and didst send them from heauen bread prepared without their labour, able to content euery mans delight, and seruing to euery mans taste.

21 *For the substance of thy sweetnes declared vnto thy children, and seruing to the mouth of him that tooke it, it tempered it selfe to euery mans liking.

22 * For fire and snow endured the force of it, and melted not, that they might know that the fire burning in the hayle, and sparkling in the raine, destroyed the fruits of the enemies.

23 But this againe, that it might also forget his strength, that the righteous may

24 For the creature that serueth thee

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maker increaseth his strength against the unrighteous for their punishment, and abateth his strength for the benefit of such as put their trust in thee.

25 Therefore even then was it altered into all fashions, and was obedient to thy grace that nourisheth all things, according to the desire ‖ of them that had need:

26 That thy children, O Lord, whom thou louest, might know, that * it is not the growing of fruits that nourisheth man: but that it is thy word which preserueth them that put their trust in thee.

27 For that which was not destroyed of the fire, being warmed with a little Sun-beame, soone melted away,

28 That it might be knowne, that we must preuent the Sun, to giue thee thankes, and at the day-spring pray vnto thee.

29 For the hope of the vnfaithfull shall melt away as the Winters hoare frost, and shall run away as vnprofitable water.

CHAP. XVII.

1 Why the Egyptians were punished with darkenesse. 4 The terrors of that darkenesse. 12 The terrors of euill conscience.

GReat are thy iudgements, and cannot be expressed: therefore ‖ vnnurtured soules haue erred.

2 For when vnrighteous men thought to oppresse the holy nation: they being shut vp ‖ in their houses the prisoners of darkenesse, and fettered with the bonds of a long night, lay [there] ‖ exiled from the eternall prouidence.

3 For while they supposed to lie hid in their secret sinnes, they were scattered ‖ vnder a darke vaile of forgetfulnesse, being horribly astonished, and troubled with [strange] ‖ apparitions.

4 For neither might the corner that held them keepe them from feare; but noises (as of waters) falling downe, sounded about them, and sad visions appeared vnto them with heauy countenances.

5 No power of the fire might giue them light: neither could the bright flames of the starres enlighten that horrible night.

6 Onely there appeared vnto them a fire kindled of it selfe, very dreadfull: for being much terrified, they thought the things which they saw, to be worsethen the sight they saw not.

7 * As for the illusions of Art Magicke, they were put downe, and their vaunting in wisedome, was reproued with disgrace.

8 For they that promised to driue away terrors and trembles from a sicke soule, were sicke themselues of feare worthy to be laughed at.

9 For though no terrible thing did feare them, yet being feared with beasts that passed by, and hissing of serpents,

10 They died for feare, ‖ denying that they saw the aire, which could of no side be auoided.

11 For wickednesse condemned by her owne witnesse, is very timorous: and being pressed with conscience, alwayes forecasteth grieuous things.

12 For feare is nothing else but a betraying of the succours which reason offereth.

13 And the expectation from within being lesse, counteth the ignorance more then the cause which bringeth the torment.

14 But they sleeping the same sleepe that night, which was indeed intolerable, and which came vpon them out of the bottomes of inuitable hell:

15 Were partly vexed with monstrous apparitions, & partly fainted, their heart failing them: for sudden feare, and not looked for, came vpon them.

16 So then whosoeuer there fell downe, was straitly kept, shut vp in a prison without yron barres.

17 For whether hee were husbandman or shepherd, or a labourer in the ‖ field, he was ouertaken, and endured that necessitie which could not be auoyded: for they were all bound with one chaine of darkenesse.

18 Whether it were a whistling winde, or a melodious noyse of birds among the spreading branches, or a pleasing fall of water running violently:

19 Or a ‖ terrible sound of stones cast downe, or a running that could not be seene of skipping beasts, or a roaring voyce of most fauage wilde beasts, or a rebounding Eccho from the hollow mountaines: these things made them to swoone for feare.

20 For the whole world shined with cleare light, and none were hindred in their labour:

21 Ouer them onely was spread an heauy night, an image of that darkenesse which should afterwards receiue them: but yet were they vnto themselues more grieuous then the darkenesse.

CHAP. XVIII.

4 Why Egypt was punished with darkenesse. 5 and with the death of their children. 18 The children saw the cause thereof. 20 God also plagued his owne people. 21 By what meanes Aaron was stayed.

NEuertheless, thy Saints had a very great * light whose voyce they hearing, and not seeing their shape, because they also had not suffered the same things, they counted them happy.

2 But for that they did not hurt them now, of whom they had been wronged before; they thanked them and besought them pardon, for that they had been enemies.

3 * In stead whereof thou gauest them a burning pillar of fire, both to be a guide of the vnknowne iourney, and an harmelesse Sun to entertaine them honourably.

4 For they were worthy to be deprined of light and imprisoned in darkenesse, who had kept thy sonnes that vp, by whom the ‖ vncorrupt light of the Law was to be giuen vnto the world.

5 * And when they had determined to slay the babes of the Saints, one child being cast forth, and readie to expose them, thou to take away the multitude of the children, and destroyedst them altogether in a mighty water.

6 * Of that night were our fathers certified afore that, assuredly knowing vnto what oathes they had giuen credence, they might afterwards be of good cheere.

7 So of thy people was accepted both the saluation of the righteous, and destruction of the enemies.

8 For where with thou didst punish our aduersaries, by the same thou didst glorifie vs whom thou hadst called.

9 * For the right sonnes children of good men did sacrifice secretly, and with one consent made a holy Law, that the Saints should be alike partakers of the same good and euill, the Fathers now singing out the songs of praise.

10 But on the other side there sounded an ill according cry of the enemies, and a lamentable noise was carried abroad for children that were bewailed.

11 * The master and the seruant were punished after one manner, and like as the King so suffered the common person.

12 So they altogether had innumerable dead, with one kinde of death, neither were the liuing sufficient to bury them: for in one moment the noblest off-spring of them was destroyed.

13 For

* Or, desart.

‖ Or, hideous.

* Exod. 10.23.

* Exod. 13.21. and 14.24. ps. 78.14. & 105.39. & 10. Or, incorruptible.

* Exod. 14.24.25.

* Exod. 11.4.

* Exod. 12 ‖ Or, a couenant of God, or league: See psal. 50.5.

* Exod. 12. 12.28

13 For whereas they would not beleeue any thing, by reason of the enchantments, vpon the destruction of the first borne, they acknowledged this people to be the sonnes of God.

14 For while all things were in quiet silence, and that night was in the midst of her swift course,

15 Thine Almightie Word leapt downe from heauen, out of thy royall Throne, as a fierce man of warre into the midst of a land of destruction,

16 And brought thine vnfained Commandement, as a sharpe sword, and standing vp, filled all things with death, and it touched the heauen, but it stood vpon the earth.

17 Then suddenly ‖ visions of horrible dreames troubled them sore, and terrours came vpon them vnlooked for.

18 And one throwne heere, another there halfe dead, shewed the cause of his death.

19 For the dreames that troubled them did foreshew this, lest they should perish, and not know why they were afflicted.

20 Yea, the tasting of death touched the righteous also, and there was a destruction of the * multitude in the wildernesse, but the wrath endured not long.

21 For then the blamelesse man made haste, and stood forth to defend them; and bringing the shield of his proper ministery, euen prayer, and the propitiation of incense, set himselfe against the wrath, and so brought the calamitie to an end, declaring that he was thy seruant.

22 So he ouercame the destroyer not with strength of body, nor force of armes, but with a word subdued he him that punished, alledging the oathes and couenants made with the Fathers.

23 For when the dead were now fallen downe by heaps one vpon another, standing between, he stayed the wrath, and ‖ parted the way to the liuing.

24 * For in the long garment was the whole world, and in the foure rowes of the stones was the glory of the Fathers grauen, and thy Maiestie vpon the diademe of his head.

25 Vnto these the destroyer gaue place, and was afraid of them: for it was enough that they only tasted of the wrath.

CHAP. XIX.

1 Why God shewed no mercy to the Egyptians: 9 and how wonderfully he dealt with his people. 14 The Egyptians were worse then the Sodomites. 18 The wonderfull agreement of the creatures to serue Gods people.

AS for the vngodly, wrath came vpon them without mercy vnto the end: for hee knew before what they would doe;

2 How that hauing giuen them leaue to depart, and sent them hastily away, they would repent and pursue them.

3 For whilest they were yet mourning, and making lamentation at the graues of the dead, they added another foolish deuice, and pursued them as fugitiues, whom they had ‖ entreated to be gone.

4 For the destinie whereof they were worthy, drew them vnto this end, and made them forget the things that had already happened, that they might fulfill the punishment which was wanting to their torments,

5 And that thy people might passe a wonderfull way: but they might find a strange death.

6 For the whole creature in his proper kind, was fashioned againe anew, seruing the peculiar commandements that were giuen vnto them, that thy children might be kept without hurt.

7 *As namely*, a cloud ouershowing the campe, where water stood before, dry land appeare, and out of the Red Sea, a way without impediment, and out of the violent stream a grene field:

8 Where thorow all the people went that were defended with thy hand, seeing thy maruellous strange wonders.

9 For they went at large like horses, and leaped like lambes, praising thee, O Lord, who hadst deliuered them.

10 For they were yet mindfull of the things that were done, while they sojourned in the strange land, how the ground brought forth ‖ flies in stead of cattell, and how the riuer cast vp a multitude of frogs in stead of fishes.

11 But afterwards they saw a new generation of fowles, when being led with their appetites, they asked delicate meates.

12 For quailes came vp vnto them from the sea for their ‖ contentment.

13 And punishment came vpon the sinners, not without former signes by the force of thunder: for they suffered iustly, according to their owne wickednesse, insomuch as they vsed a more hard and hatefull behauiour toward the strangers.

14 For the *Sodomites* did not receiue the strangers when they knew not when they came: but these brought friends into bondage that had well deserued of them.

15 And not onely so: but peraduenture some respect shall be had of these, because they vsed their owne guests not friendly.

16 But these very grieuously afflicted, and then when they had receiued with feastings, and were already made partakers of the same Lawes with them,

17 Therefore euen with blindnesse were they stricken, as those were at the doores of the righteous man: when being compassed about with horrible great darknesse, euery one sought the passage of his owne dore.

18 For the Elements were changed ‖ among themselues by a kind of harmony, like as in a Psalterie notes change the name of the tune, and yet alwaies sounds, which may well be perceiued by the sight of the things that haue come to pass.

19 For earthly things were turned into watry, and the things that before swam in the water, went vpon the ground.

20 The fire had power in the water, forgetting his owne vertue: and the water forgate his owne quenching nature.

21 On the other side, the flames wasted not the flesh of the corruptible liuing things, though they walked therein: neither melted they that kind of heauenly meat that was easie apt to melt.

22 For in all things, O Lord, thou didst magnify thy people, and glorifie them: neither didst thou lightly regard them, but didst assist them in euery time and place.

‖ Or, visions.

* Num. 16.46.

‖ Or, cut off.

* Exod. 28.6. and 31.10.

‖ Or, cast out by enstealth.

THE WISEDOME OF IESVS THE SONNE OF Sirach, or Ecclesiasticus.

¶ A Prologue made by an vncertaine Author.

THis Iesus was the sonne of Sirach, and grand-child to Iesus of the same name with him: This man therefore liued in the latter times after the people had beene led away captiue, and called home againe, and almost after all the Prophets. Now his grand-father Iesus (as he himselfe witnesseth) was a man of great diligence and wisdome among the Hebrewes: who did not only gather the graue and short sentences of wise men that had been before him, but himselfe also vttered some of his owne, full of much vnderstanding and wisedome. When as therefore the first Iesus dyed, leaning this booke almost perfected, Sirach his sonne receiuing it after him, left it to his owne sonne Iesus, who hauing gotten it into his hands, compiled it all orderly into one volume, and called it Wisedome, intituling it both by his owne name, his fathers name, and his grand-fathers, allering the hearer by the very name of Wisedome, to haue a greater loue to the study of this booke. It containeth therefore wise Sayings, darke Sentences and Parables, and certaine particular ancient godly stories of men that pleased God. Also his prayer and Song. Moreouer, what benefits God had vouchsafed his people, and what plagues he had heaped vpon their enemies. This Iesus did imitate Solomon, and was no lesse famous for wisdome and learning, both being indeed a man of great learning, and so reputed also.

¶ The Prologue of the Wisedome of Iesus the sonne of Sirach.

WHereas many and great things haue beene deliuered vnto vs by the Law and the Prophets, and by others that haue followed their steps, for the which things Israel ought to be commended for learning and wisedome, and whereof not only the readers must needs become skilfull themselues, but also the that desire to learne, be able to profit them which are without, both by speaking and writing: My grand-father Iesus, when he had much giuen himselfe to the reading of the Law and the Prophets, and other bookes of our fathers, and had gotten therein good iudgement, was drawen on also himselfe to write something pertaining to learning and wisedome, to the intent that those which are desirous to learne, and are addicted to these things, might profit much more in liuing according to the Law. Wherefore let me intreat you to read it with fauour and attention, and to pardon vs wherein we may seeme to come short of some words which we haue laboured to interpret. For the same things vttered in Hebrew, and translated into another tongue, haue not the same force in them: and not only these things, but the Law it selfe, and the Prophets, and the rest of the bookes haue no small difference when they are spoken in their own language. For in the eight and thirtieth yere, comming into Egypt when Euergetes was king, and continuing there some time, I found a booke of no small learning: therefore I thought it most necessary for me to bestow some diligence and trauell to interpret it: Vsing great watchfulnesse and skill in that space to bring the booke to an end, and set it forth for them also which in a strange country, are willing to learne, being prepared before in manners to liue after the Law.

CHAP. I.

1 *All wisdome is from God:* 10 *He giueth it to them that loue him.* 12 *The feare of God is full of many blessings* 28 *To feare God without hypocrisie*

ALL * wisedome *commeth* from the Lord, and is with him for euer.

2 Who can number the sand of the Sea, and the drops of raine, and the dayes of eternity?

3 Who can finde out the height of heauen, and the breadth of the earth, and the deepe, and wisedome?

4 Wisdome hath beene created before all things, and the vnderstanding of prudence from euerlasting.

5 The Word of God most High is the fountaine of wisdome, and her wayes are euerlasting commandements.

6 *To whom hath the roote of wisdome beene reuealed? or who hath knowne her wise counsels?

7 [Vnto whom hath the knowledge of wisdome beene made manifest? and who hath vnderstood her great experience?]

8 There is one wise, and greatly to be feared; the Lord sitting vpon his throne.

9 He created her, and saw her, and numbred her, and powred her out vpon all his workes.

10 She [is] with all flesh according to his gift, and he hath giuen her to them that loue him.

11 The feare of the Lord is honour and glory, and gladnesse, and a crowne of reioycing.

12 *The feare of the Lord maketh a merry heart, and giueth ioy and gladnesse, and a long life.

13 Whose feareth the Lord, it shall goe well with him at the last, and he shall finde fauour in the day of his death.

14 To feare the Lord, is the beginning of wisedome: and it was created with the faithfull in the wombe.

15 She hath built an euerlasting foundation with men, and she shall continue * with their seed.

16 To feare the Lord is fulnesse of wisdome, and filleth men with her fruits.

17 She filleth all their house with things desireable, and the garners with her increase.

18 The feare of the Lord is a crowne of wisdome making peace and perfect health to flourish; both which are the gifts of God, and it enlargeth their reioycing that loue him.

19 Wisdome raineth down skill and knowledge of vnderstanding, and exalteth them to honour that hold her fast.

20 The roote of wisdome is to feare the Lord, and the branches thereof are long life.

21 The

Ecclus. 1. v. 14 Good Cor.

Iob 28. 17 Sa. 16. 3

*Prou. 1. v. 7. Psal. 110. 10

*Or, shall be blessed.

*2 Chro. 20. 21.

21 The feare of the Lord driueth away sins: and where it is present, it turneth away wrath.

22 A furious man cannot ‖ be iustified, for the sway of his fury shall be his destruction.

‖Or, escape punishment.

23 A patient man will beare for a time, and afterward ioy shall spring vp vnto him.

24 He will hide his words for a time, and the lips of many shall declare his wisdome.

25 The parables of knowledge are in the treasures of wisdome: but godlinesse is an abomination to a sinner.

26 If thou desire wisdome, keepe the Commandements, and the Lord shall giue her vnto thee.

27 For the feare of the Lord is wisdome and instruction: and faith and meekenesse are his delight.

‖Or, be not disobedient to

28 ‖Distrust not the feare of the Lord when thou art poore: and come not vnto him with a double heart.

29 Be not an hypocrite in the sight of men, and take good heed what thou speakest.

30 Exalt not thy selfe, least thou fall, and bring dishonour vpon thy soule, and so God discouer thy secrets, and cast thee downe in the midst of the congregation, because thou camest not in truth to the feare of the Lord: but thy heart is full of deceit.

CHAP. II.

1 Gods seruants must looke for trouble, 7 and be patient and trust in him: 12 for woe to them that doe not so: 15 But they that feare the Lord, will doe so.

* Mat. 4. 11. 2 tim. 3. 12. 1 pe. 4. 12

MY sonne, if * thou come to serue the Lord, prepare thy soule for temptation.

2 Set thy heart aright, and constantly endure, and ‖ make not haste in time of trouble.

‖Or, haste not.

3 Cleaue vnto him, and depart not away, that thou mayest be increased at thy last end.

4 What soeuer is brought vpon thee, take cheerefully, and be patient when thou art changed to a low estate.

* Wisd. 3. 6. pro. 17. 3.

5 * For gold is tryed in the fire, and acceptable men in the furnace of aduersity.

6 Beleeue in him, and he will helpe thee, order thy way aright, and trust in him.

7 Ye that feare the Lord, wait for his mercy, and goe not aside, least ye fall.

8 Ye that feare the Lord, beleeue him, and your reward shall not faile.

9 Ye that feare the Lord, hope for good and for euerlasting ioy and mercy.

10 Looke at the generations of old, and see, did euer any trust in the Lord, and was confounded? or did any abide in his feare, and was confounded? or whom did he euer despise that called vpon him?

* psal. 37. 25.

11 For the Lord * is full of compassion and mercy, long-suffering, and very pitifull, and forgiueth sinnes, and saueth in time of affliction.

12 Woe be to fearefull hearts, and faint hands, and the sinner that goeth two waies.

Ecclus 41. 8.

13 Woe vnto him that is faint-hearted, for he beleeueth not: therefore shall he not be defended.

14 Woe vnto you that haue lost patience: and what will ye doe when the Lord shall visit you?

* John 14. 20.

15 They * that feare the Lord, will not disobey his word, and they that loue him will keepe his wayes.

16 They that feare the Lord, will seek that which is well pleasing vnto him, and they that loue him, shall be filled with the law.

17 They that feare the Lord, will prepare their hearts, and humble their soules in his sight:

18 *Saying*, We will fall into the hands of the Lord, and not into the hands of men: for as his Maiesty is, so is his mercy.

2 King. 2. 23. 24.

CHAP. III.

3 Children must honour and helpe both their parents. 21 We may not aspire to know all things. 26 The incomprehensible must needs perish in a mans ouerweening. Deut. 24. 18. & 22.

HEare me your father, O children, and doe thereafter, that ye may be safe.

2 For the Lord hath giuen the * father ouer the children, and hath confirmed the authority of the mother ouer the sonnes.

3 Whoso honoureth his father, maketh an atonement for his sinnes. Exo. 20. 12. Deut. 5. 16. Mat. 15. 4. Eph. 6. 2.

4 And he that honoureth his mother, is as one that layeth vp treasure. Deut. 21. 18. & 27. 16.

5 Whoso honoureth his father, shall haue ioy of his owne children, and when he maketh his prayer, he shall be heard.

6 He that honoureth his father, shall haue a long life, and he that is obedient vnto the Lord, shall be a comfort to his mother.

7 He that feareth the Lord, honoureth his father, and will doe seruice vnto his parents, as vnto his masters.

8 *Honour thy father and mother, both in word and deed, that a blessing may come vpon thee from them.

9 For the * blessing of the father establisheth the houses of children, but the curse of the mother rooteth out foundations.

10 Glory not in the dishonour of thy father, for thy fathers dishonour is no glory vnto thee.

11 For the glory of a man is to honour his father: and a mother in her weakenesse is not to be despised of the children.

12 My sonne, helpe thy father in his age, and grieue him not as long as he liueth.

13 And if his vnderstanding faile, haue patience with him, and despise him not when thou art in thy full strength.

14 For the releeuing of the father shall not be forgotten: and instead of sinnes shall it be counted to build thee vp.

15 In the day of thy trouble shall he be remembred, thy sinnes also shall melt away as the yce in the faire warme weather.

16 He that forsaketh his father, is as a blasphemer: and he that angereth his mother, is accursed of God. Prou. 20. 20. & 30. 17.

17 My sonne, goe on with thine office in meekenesse, so shalt thou be beloued of him that is accepted.

18 * The greater thou art, the more humble thy selfe, and thou shalt find fauour before the Lord.

19 Many are in high place, and of renowne: but * mysteries are reuealed vnto the meeke.

20 For the power of the Lord is great, and he is honoured of the lowly.

21 * Seeke not out the things that are too hie for thee, neither search the things that are too strong for thy strength.

22 But what is commanded thee, thereupon with reuerence, for it is not needfull for thee to see with thine eyes the things that are secret.

23 Be not curious in vnnecessary matters: for more things are shewed vnto thee, than men vnderstand.

24 For many are deceiued by their opinion, and an euill suspition hath caused their iudgement to slide. Prou. 28. 26.

25 Without eyes there is no light: and without knowledge there is no wisedome.

26 A stubborne heart shall fare euill at the last: and he that loueth danger, shall perish therein.

27 An obstinate heart shall bee laden with sorrowes, and the wicked man shall heape sinne vpon sinne.

28 In the punishment of the proud there is no remedy: for the plant of wickednesse hath taken root in him.

29 The heart of the prudent will vnderstand a parable, and an attentiue care is the desire of a wise man.

30 *Water will quench a flaming fire, and almes maketh an atonement for sinnes.

31 And he that requiteth good turnes, is mindfull of the which may come hereafter, and when he shall fall he shall find a stay.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *We may not despise the poore or fatherlesse, but seeke for wisedome: 20 and not be ashamed of base things, nor paint, say the truth, 30 nor lie against our owne soules.*

MY sonne defraud not the poore of his liuing, and make not the needy eyes to wait long.

2 Make not an hungry soule sorrowfull, neither prouoke a man in his distresse.

3 Adde not more trouble to an heart that is vexed, and defarre not to giue to him that is in need.

4 Reiect not the supplication of the afflicted, neither turne away thy face from a poore man.

5 Turne not away thine eye from the needy, and giue him none occasion to curse thee:

6 For if he curse thee in the bitternes of his soule his prayer shall be heard of him that made him.

7 Get thy selfe the loue of the congregation, and bow thy head to a great man.

8 Let it not grieue thee to bow down thine eare to the poore, and giue him a friendly answere with meekenesse.

9 Deliuer him that suffereth wrong, from the hand of the oppressour, and be not faint hearted when thou sittest in iudgement.

10 Be as a father vnto the fatherlesse, and in stead of a husband vnto their mother: so shalt thou bee as the son of the most High, and he shall loue thee more then thy mother doeth.

11 Wisdome exalteth her children, and layeth hold of them that seeke her.

12 He that loueth her, loueth life, and they that seeke to her early, shall be filled with ioy.

13 He that holdeth her fast, shall inherit glory, and wheresoeuer she entreth, the Lord will blesse.

14 They that serue her, shall minister to the holy One: and them that loue her, the Lord doeth loue.

15 Whoso giueth eare vnto her, shall iudge the nations, and he that attendeth vnto her, shall dwel secure.

16 If a man commit himselfe vnto her: he shall inherit her, and his generation shall hold her in possession.

17 For at the first shee will walke with him by crooked wayes, and bring feare & dread vpon him, and torment him with her discipline, vntill shee may trust his soule, and try him by her lawes.

18 Then will shee returne the straight way vnto him, and comfort him, and shew him her secrets.

19 But if he goe wrong, she will forsake him, and giue him ouer to his owne ruine.

20 Obserue the opportunity, and beware of euill, and be not ashamed when it concerneth thy soule.

21 For *there* is a shame that bringeth sinne: and there is a shame which is glory and grace.

22 Accept no person against thy soule, and let not the reuerence of any man cause thee to fall.

23 And refraine not to speake † *when* there is occasion to doe good, and hide not thy wisedome in her beauty.

24 For by speech wisedome shall be knowne, and learning by the word of the tongue.

25 In no wise speake against the trueth, but be abashed of the errour of thine ignorance.

26 Be not ashamed to confesse thy sinnes, and force not the course of the riuer.

27 Make not thy selfe an vnderling to a foolish man, neither accept the person of the mighty.

28 Striue for the trueth vnto death, and the Lord shall fight for thee.

29 Be not hasty in thy tongue, and in thy deeds slacke and remisse.

30 Be not as a Lyon in thine house, nor frantick among thy seruants.

31 Let not thine hand be stretched out to receiue, and shut when thou shouldest repay.

CHAP. V.

1 *We must not presume of our wealth and strength 6 nor of the mercy of God to sin. 9 We must not be double tongued, 12 nor answere without knowledge.*

SEt not thy heart vpon thy goods, and say not *I haue enough for my life.

2 Follow not thine owne mind, and thy strength, to walke in the waies of thy heart.

3 And say not, Who shall controule me for my workes? for the Lord will surely reuenge thy pride.

4 Say not, I haue sinned, and what harme hath happened vnto me? for the Lord is long-suffering, he will in no wise let thee goe.

5 Concerning propitiation, be not without feare to adde sinne vnto sinne.

6 And say not, His * mercy is great, he will be pacified for the multitude of my sinnes: for mercy and wrath come from him, and his indignation resteth vpon sinners.

7 *Make no tarrying to turne to the Lord, and put not off from day to day: for suddenly shall the wrath of the Lord come forth, and in thy security thou shalt be destroyed, and perish in the day of vengeance.

8 *Set not thy heart vpon goods vniustly gotten; for they shall not profit thee in the day of calamity.

9 Winnow not with euery wind, and goe not into euery way: for so doth the sinner that hath a double tongue.

10 Bestedfast in thy vnderstanding, and let thy word be the same.

11 *Be swift to heare, and let thy life be sincere, and with patience giue answere.

12 If thou hast vnderstanding, answere thy neighbour; if not, lay thy hand vpon thy mouth.

13 Honour and shame is in talke, and the tongue of man is his fall.

14 Be not called a whisperer, and lie not in wait with thy tongue; for a foule thefte is vpon a theefe, and an euil condemnation vpon the double tongue.

15 Be not ignorant of any thing in a great matter or a small.

CHAP. VI.

2 *Do not extoll thine owne conceit, 7 but make choice of a friend. 18 Seeke wisedome betimes. 30 It is gracious to some. 28 Yet the fruits thereof are pleasant. 36 Be ready to heare wisemen.*

INstead of a friend become not an enemy; for so shalt thou inherit an ill name, shame and reproach: euen so shall a sinner that hath a double tongue.

2 Extoll not thy selfe in the counsell of thine

sinne

owne heart, that thy soule be not torne in pieces, as a bull [straying alone.]

5 Thou shalt eat vp thy leaues, and lose thy fruit and leaue thy selfe as a dry tree.

4 A wicked soule shall destroy him that hath it, and shall make him to be laughed to scorne of his enemies.

‖ Or, set him in the time of trouble

† Gentle, a sweet speaker.

15 † Sweet language will multiply friends, and a faire speaking tongue wil increase kind greetings.

6 Be in peace with many: neuertheless haue but one counseller of a thousand.

7 If thou wouldest get a friend, ‖ proue him first and be not hastie to credit him.

‖ 8 For some man is a friend for his owne occasion, and will not abide in the day of thy trouble.

9 And there is a friend, who being turned to enmity and strife, will discouer thy reproach.

* Chap. 37. 5.

10 * Againe, some friend is a companion at the table, and will not continue in the day of thine affliction.

11 But in thy prosperity hee will be as thy selfe, and will be bold ouer thy seruants.

12 If thou be brought low, he will be against thee and will hide himselfe from thy face.

13 Separate thy selfe from thine enemies, and take heed of thy friends.

14 A faithfull friend is a strong defence: and he that hath found such an one, hath found a treasure.

15 Nothing doth counteruaile a faithfull friend, and his excellency is vnualuable.

16 A faithfull friend is the medicine of life, and they that feare the Lord shall find him.

‖ 17 Whoso feareth the Lord, shall direct his friendship aright, for as he is, so shall his neighbor be also.

18 My sonne, gather instruction from thy youth vp: so shalt thou finde wisedome till thine olde age.

19 Come vnto her, as one that ploweth and soweth, and wait for her good fruits, for thou shalt not toyle much in labouring about her, but thou shalt eate of her fruits right soone.

20 Shee is very vnpleasant to the vnlearned: he that is without ‖ vnderstanding, will not remaine with her.

‖ Or, heart

21 She will lie vpon him as a * mighty stone of tryall, and he will cast her from him ere it be long.

* Zech. 12. 3.

22 For wisedome is according to her name, and she is not manifest vnto many.

23 Giue eare, my sonne, receiue my aduice, and refuse not my counsell,

24 And put thy feet into her fetters, and thy necke into her ‖ chaine.

‖ Or, collar

* Matt. 11. 29.

25 Bow * downe thy shoulder and beare her, and be not grieued with her bonds.

26 Come vnto her with thy whole heart, and keep her wayes with all thy power.

27 Search and seeke, and she shalbe made knowne vnto thee, and when thou hast got hold of her, let her not goe.

28 For at the last thou shalt finde her rest, and that shall be turned to thy ioy.

29 Then shall her fetters be a strong defence for thee, and her chaines a robe of glory.

30 For there is a golden ornament vpon her, and her bands are ‖ purple lace.

‖ Or, a band of blue silke. Num. 15. 38.

31 Thou shalt put her on as a robe of honour, and shalt put her about thee as a crowne of ioy.

32 My sonne, if thou wilt, thou shalt be taught: and if thou wilt apply thy minde, thou shalt be prudent.

33 If thou loue to heare, thou shalt receiue vnderstanding: and if thou bow thine eare, thou shalt be wise.

34 Stand in the multitude of the * Elders, and cleaue vnto him that is wise.

35 Be willing to heare euery godly discourse, and let not the parables of vnderstanding escape thee.

36 And if thou seest a man of vnderstanding, get thee betimes vnto him, and let thy foot weare the steps of his doore.

37 Let thy minde be vpon the Ordinances of the Lord, and * medit ate continually in his commandements: he shall establish thine heart, and giue thee wisedome at thine owne desire.

CHAP. VII.

1 *We are debarred from sinne.* 4 *From ambition,* 8 *presumption,* 10 *and scorning in prayer.* 13 *From lying and backbiting.* 18 *& how to vse one a friend.* 19 *a good wife.* 22 *a seruant.* 27 *our carriage to children and parents:* 23 *The Lord and his Temple.* 32 *The poore and those that mourne.*

DOe none euil, so shal no harme come vnto thee.

2 Depart from the vnrighteous: so shall euil turne away from thee.

3 My sonne, sow not vpon the furrowes of vnrighteousnesse, and thou shalt not reape them seuen fold.

4 Seeke not of the Lord preeminence, neither of the King the seat of honour.

5 * Iustifie not thy selfe before the Lord, and boast not of the wisdome before the King.

6 Seeke not to be iudge, being not able to take away iniquity, lest at any time thou feare the person of the mighty, and lay a stumbling block in the way of thy righteousnesse.

7 Offend not against the multitude of a citie, then thou shalt not cast thy selfe downe among the people.

8 Binde not one sinne vpon another, for in one thou shalt not be vnpunished.

9 Say not, God will looke vpon the abundance of my oblations, and when I offer the gift to the most high God, he will accept it.

10 Be not faint-hearted when thou makest thy prayer, and neglect not to giue almes.

11 Laugh no man to scorne, in the bitternesse of his soule: for there is one which seeth and exalteth.

12 † Deuise not a lie against thy brother, neither doe the like to thy friend.

13 Vse not to make any manner of lie: for the custome thereof is not good.

14 Vse not many words in a multitude of Elders, * and make not ‖ much babbling when thou prayest.

15 Hate not labour, nor husbandrie, which the most high hath † ordained.

16 Number not thy selfe among the multitude of sinners: but remember that wrath will not tarry long.

17 Humble thy selfe greatly: for the vengeance of the vngodly is fire and worme.

18 Change not a friend for any goodnesse, nor a neighbour, nor a faithfull brother for the golden Ophir.

19 For [illegible] not a wife and good wife is of more grace is aboue gold.

20 * Whereas thy seruant worketh truly, entreat him not euill: nor the hireling that boldeneth himselfe wholly for thee.

21 Let thy soule loue a good seruant, and withhold him not of liberty.

22 * Hast thou cattell? haue an eye vnto them: if they be for thy profit, keep them with thee.

23 Hast thou children? instruct them, and bow downe their necke from their [illegible]

Hast thou daughters? haue care of their bo-
d shew not thy selfe cheerefull toward them.
Marry thy daughter, and so shalt thou haue
ried a weighty matter: but giue her to a
derstanding.
Hast thou a wife after thy mind? forsake her
t giue not thy selfe ouer to a light woman.
onour thy father with thy whole heart, and
t not the sorrowes of thy mother.
Remember that thou wast begot of them: and
ow shall thou recompence them the things that
ey haue done for thee?
Feare the Lord with all thy soule, and reue-
e his Priests.
*Loue him that made thee with all thy
rength, and forsake not his Ministers.
Feare the Lord, and honour the Priest: and
ue him his portion as it is commanded thee, the
rst fruits, and the trespasse offering, and the gift
the shoulders, and the sacrifice of sanctification,
d the first fruits of the holy things.
*And stretch thine hand vnto the poore, that
r blessing may be perfected.
A gift hath grace in the sight of euery man
living: and for the dead detaine it not.
Faile not to be with them that weepe, and
ourne with them that mourne.
Doe not slow to visit the sicke: for that shall
ake thee to be beloued.
Whatsoeuer thou takest in hand, remember
e end, and thou shalt neuer doe amisse.

CHAP. VIII.

Whom we may not strine with, 8 nor despise, 9 prouoke, 15 nor haue to doe with.

Striue not with a mighty man, lest thou fall in-
o his hands.
Be not at variance with a rich man, lest hee
weigh thee: for gold hath* destroyed many,
peruerted the hearts of Kings.
Striue not with a man that is full of tongue,
heape not wood vpon his fire.
Iest not with a rude man, lest thy ancestors be
ured.*
Reproch not a man that turneth from sin, but
member that we are all worthy* of punishment.
Dishonour not a man in his old age: for euen
ome waxe old.
Reioyce not ouer thy greatest enemy being
ad: but remember that we die all.
Despise not the discourse of the wise, but ac-
uaint thy selfe with their prouerbes, for of them
thou shalt learne instruction, and how to serue
great men with ease.
Misse not the discourse of the Elders: for
they also learned of their fathers, and of them
thou shalt learne vnderstanding, and to giue an-
swere in need requireth.
Kindle not the coales of a sinner, lest thou be
burnt with the flame of his fire.
Rise not vp (in anger) at the presence of an
vniust person, lest he lie in wait to entrap thee
by thy words.
Lend not vnto him that is mightier than thy
selfe: for if thou lendest him, count it but lost.
Be not surety aboue thy power: for if thou
be surety, take care to pay it.
Goe not to law with a Iudge: for they will
giue for him according to his honour.
*Trauell not by the way with a bold fellow,
lest he become grieuous vnto thee: for he will do
according to his owne will, and thou shalt perish
with him through his folly.

16 *Striue not with an angry man, and goe not
with him into a solitary place: for blood is as no-
thing in his sight: and where there is no helpe, he
will ouerthrow thee.
17 Consult not with a foole: for he cannot keepe
counsell.
18 Doe no secret thing before a stranger: for
thou knowest not what he will bring foorth.
19 Open not thine heart to euery man, lest hee
requite thee with a thred bare.

CHAP. IX.

1 We are admised how to vse our wiues. 3 What women to auoid. 10 And not to change an old friend 13 Not to be familiar with men in authority: 14 But to know our neighbours. 15 And to conuerse with wise men.

Bee not iealous ouer the wife of thy bosome, and
teach her not an euill lesson against thy selfe.
2 Giue not thy soule vnto a woman, to set her
foot vpon thy substance.
3 Meet not with an harlot, lest thou fall into
her snares.
4 Vse not much the company of a woman, that
is a singer, lest thou be taken with her attempts.
5 Gaze not on a maid, that thou fall not by those
things that are precious in her.
6 Giue not thy soule vnto harlots, that thou lose
not thine inheritance.
7 Looke not round about thee in the streets of
the city, neither wander thou in the solitary places
thereof.
8 *Turne away thine eye from a beautifull wo-
man, and looke not vpon another's beauty: for ma-
ny haue beene deceiued by the beauty of a woman,
for herewith loue is kindled as a fire.
9 Sit not at all with another mans wife, nor sit
downe with her in thine armes, and spend not thy
money with her at the wine, lest thine heart en-
cline vnto her, and so thorow thy desire thou fall in-
to destruction.
10 Forsake not an old friend, for the new is not
comparable to him: a new friend is as new wine:
when it is old thou shalt drinke it with pleasure.
11 Enuy not the glory of a sinner: for thou know-
est not what shalbe his end.
12 Delight not in the thing that the vngodly
haue pleasure in, but remember they shall not goe
vnpunished vnto their graue.
13 Keepe thee far from the man that hath power
to kill, so shalt thou not doubt the feare of death:
and if thou come vnto him, make no fault, lest hee
take away thy life presently: remember that thou
goest in the midst of snares, and that thou walkest
vpon the battlements of the city.
14 As neere as thou canst, guesse at thy neighbor,
and consult with the wise.
15 Let thy talke bee with the wise, and all thy
communication in the Law of the most High.
16 And let iust men eat and drinke with thee,
and let thy glorying be in the feare of the Lord.
17 For the hand of the artificer, the worke shall
bee commended: and the wise rulor of the people,
for his speech.
18 A man of an ill tongue is dangerous in his
city, and he that is rash in his talke shalbe hated.

CHAP. X.

1 The commodities of a wise ruler: 4 God setteth him vp. 7 The inconuenience of pride, iniustice, and contentions. 14 What God hath done to the proud. 19 Who shall be honoured, 20 and who not.

A Wise Iudge will instruct his people, & the go-
uernement of a prudent man is well ordered.

2 *As the Iudge of the people is himselfe, so are his officers, and what manner of man the Ruler of the city is, such are all they that dwell therein.

3 An vnwise King destroyeth his people, but through the prudence of them which are in authority, the city shall be inhabited.

4 The power of the earth is in the hand of the Lord, and in due time he will set ouer it one that is profitable.

5 In the hand of God is the prosperity of man: and vpon the ‖ person of the Scribe shall he lay his honour.

6 Beare not hatred to thy neighbour *for euery wrong, and do nothing at all by iniurious practises

7 Pride is hatefull before God and man: and by both doth one commit iniquity.

8 Because of vnrighteous dealings, iniuries, and riches gotten by deceit, the kingdome is translated from one people to another.

9 Why is earth and ashes proud? There is not a more wicked thing then a couetous man: for such a one setteth his owne soule to sale, because while he liueth, he casteth away his bowels.

10 The Physician cutteth off a long disease; and he that is to day a king, to morrow shall die.

11 For when a man is dead, hee shall inherite creeping things, beasts and wormes.

12 The beginning of pride is, when one departeth from God, and his heart is turned away from his Maker.

13 For pride is the beginning of sin, and he that hath it, shall powre out abomination: and therefore the Lord brought vpon them strange calamities, and ouerthrew them vtterly.

14 The Lord hath cast down the thrones of proud princes, and set vp the meeke in their stead.

15 The Lord hath plucked vp the roots of the proud nations: & planted the lowly in their place.

16 The Lord ouerthrew countreys of the heathen: and destroyed them to the foundations of the earth.

17 He tooke some of them away, and destroyed them, and hath made their memorial to cease from the earth.

18 Pride was not made for men, nor furious anger for them that are borne of a woman.

19 They that feare the Lord, are a sure seed, and they that loue him, an honourable plant: they that regard not the Law, are a dishonourable seed; they that transgresse the Commandements, are a ‖ deceiueable seed.

20 Among brethren he that is chiefe, is honourable, so are they that feare the Lord in his eyes.

21 The feare of the Lord goeth before ‖ the obtaining of authority: but roughnesse and pride is the loosing thereof.

22 Whether he be rich, noble, or poore, their glory is the feare of the Lord.

23 It is not meet to despise the poore man that hath vnderstanding, neither is it conuenient to magnifie a sinfull man.

24 Great men, and Iudges, and potentates shalbe honoured, yet is there none of them greater then he that feareth the Lord.

25 Vnto the seruant that is wise, shall they that are free doe seruice: and he that hath knowledge, *will not grudge when he is reformed.

26 Bee not ouerwise in doing thy businesse, and boast not thy selfe in the time of thy distresse.

27 Better is he that laboureth and aboundeth in all things, then hee that boasteth himselfe, and wanteth *bread.

28 My sonne, glorifie thy soule in meekenesse, and giue it honour according to the dignity thereof.

29 Who will iustifie him that sinneth against his owne soule? and who will honour him that dishonoureth his owne life?

30 The poore man is honoured for his skill, and the rich man is honoured for his riches.

31 Hee that is honoured in pouerty, how much more in riches? and he that is vile and dishonourable in riches, how much more in glory?

CHAP. XI.

4 *We may not vaunt of set speech our labor, nor answere rashly, to one words which seem mar. vers. 14 Wealth and all things are of God.*

24 *Bragge not of thy wealth, nor bring euery man into thy house.*

WIsedome lifteth vp the head of him that is of low degree, and maketh him to sit among great men.

2 Commend not a man for his beauty, neither abhorre a man for his outward appearance.

3 The Bee is little among flying things, but her fruit is the chiefe of sweet things.

4 *Boast not of thy clothing, and raiment, and exalt not thy selfe in the day of thine honour: for the workes of the Lord are wonderfull, and his workes are hidden among men are hidden.

5 Many ‖ Kings haue sit downe vpon the ground, and one that was neuer thought of hath worne a crowne.

6 *Many mighty men haue been sore disgraced: and the honourable are deliuered into other mens hands.

7 *Blame not before thou hast inquired of the truth: vnderstand first, and then rebuke.

8 *Answere not before thou hast heard the cause, neither interrupt men in their talke.

9 Striue not in a matter that concerneth thee not: and sit not ‖ in the seate of strangers.

10 My sonne, meddle not with many matters: for if thou meddle much, thou shalt not be innocent: and if thou follow after, thou shalt not ouertake, neither shalt thou ‖ escape by flight.

11 *There is one that trauaileth and taketh paines, and maketh haste, and is so much the more behinde.

12 Againe, there is one that is slow, and hath need of helpe, wanting in substance, and full of poore *yet the eye of the Lord looked vpon him for good, and set him vp from his low estate,

13 And lifted vp his head: so that many at him, and wondred vpon him.

14 Prosperity and aduersity, life and death, pouerty and riches come of the Lord.

15 Wisedome, knowledge, and vnderstanding of the Law, are of the Lord: loue and the workes good workes, are from him.

16 Error and darkenesse were created together with sinners, and they that reioyce in euil, with them that glory in their wickednesse.

17 The gift of the Lord remaineth with the godly, and his fauour prospereth for euer.

18 There is that waxeth rich by his pinching, and this is the portion of his reward.

19 Whereas hee saith, I find rest, and now will eate continually of my goods: and knoweth not what time will come vpon him, and that he must leaue them to others, and die.

20 *Bee stedfast in thy couenant, and be exer-

Prou. 29.12. 2. 7. 8. 12. 16. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 233. 234. 235. 236. 237. 238. 239. 240. 241. 242. 243. 244. 245. 246. 247. 248. 249. 250. 251. 252. 253. 254. 255. 256. 257. 258. 259. 260. 261. 262. 263. 264. 265. 266. 267. 268. 269. 270. 271. 272. 273. 274. 275. 276. 277. 278. 279. 280. 281. 282. 283. 284. 285. 286. 287. 288. 289. 290. 291. 292. 293. 294. 295. 296. 297. 298. 299. 300. 301. 302. 303. 304. 305. 306. 307. 308. 309. 310. 311. 312. 313. 314. 315. 316. 317. 318. 319. 320. 321. 322. 323. 324. 325. 326. 327. 328. 329. 330. 331. 332. 333. 334. 335. 336. 337. 338. 339. 340. 341. 342. 343. 344. 345. 346. 347. 348. 349. 350. 351. 352. 353. 354. 355. 356. 357. 358. 359. 360. 361. 362. 363. 364. 365. 366. 367. 368. 369. 370. 371. 372. 373. 374. 375. 376. 377. 378. 379. 380. 381. 382. 383. 384. 385. 386. 387. 388. 389. 390. 391. 392. 393. 394. 395. 396. 397. 398. 399. 400. 401. 402. 403. 404. 405. 406. 407. 408. 409. 410. 411. 412. 413. 414. 415. 416. 417. 418. 419. 420. 421. 422. 423. 424. 425. 426. 427. 428. 429. 430. 431. 432. 433. 434. 435. 436. 437. 438. 439. 440. 441. 442. 443. 444. 445. 446. 447. 448. 449. 450. 451. 452. 453. 454. 455. 456. 457. 458. 459. 460. 461. 462. 463. 464. 465. 466. 467. 468. 469. 470. 471. 472. 473. 474. 475. 476. 477. 478. 479. 480. 481. 482. 483. 484. 485. 486. 487. 488. 489. 490. 491. 492. 493. 494. 495. 496. 497. 498. 499. 500. 501. 502. 503. 504. 505. 506. 507. 508. 509. 510. 511. 512. 513. 514. 515. 516. 517. 518. 519. 520. 521. 522. 523. 524. 525. 526. 527. 528. 529. 530. 531. 532. 533. 534. 535. 536. 537. 538. 539. 540. 541. 542. 543. 544. 545. 546. 547. 548. 549. 550. 551. 552. 553. 554. 555. 556. 557. 558. 559. 560. 561. 562. 563. 564. 565. 566. 567. 568. 569. 570. 571. 572. 573. 574. 575. 576. 577. 578. 579. 580. 581. 582. 583. 584. 585. 586. 587. 588. 589. 590. 591. 592. 593. 594. 595. 596. 597. 598. 599. 600. 601. 602. 603. 604. 605. 606. 607. 608. 609. 610. 611. 612. 613. 614. 615. 616. 617. 618. 619. 620. 621. 622. 623. 624. 625. 626. 627. 628. 629. 630. 631. 632. 633. 634. 635. 636. 637. 638. 639. 640. 641. 642. 643. 644. 645. 646. 647. 648. 649. 650. 651. 652. 653. 654. 655. 656. 657. 658. 659. 660. 661. 662. 663. 664. 665. 666. 667. 668. 669. 670. 671. 672. 673. 674. 675. 676. 677. 678. 679. 680. 681. 682. 683. 684. 685. 686. 687. 688. 689. 690. 691. 692. 693. 694. 695. 696. 697. 698. 699. 700. 701. 702. 703. 704. 705. 706. 707. 708. 709. 710. 711. 712. 713. 714. 715. 716. 717. 718. 719. 720. 721. 722. 723. 724. 725. 726. 727. 728. 729. 730. 731. 732. 733. 734. 735. 736. 737. 738. 739. 740. 741. 742. 743. 744. 745. 746. 747. 748. 749. 750. 751. 752. 753. 754. 755. 756. 757. 758. 759. 760. 761. 762. 763. 764. 765. 766. 767. 768. 769. 770. 771. 772. 773. 774. 775. 776. 777. 778. 779. 780. 781. 782. 783. 784. 785. 786. 787. 788. 789. 790. 791. 792. 793. 794. 795. 796. 797. 798. 799. 800. 801. 802. 803. 804. 805. 806. 807. 808. 809. 810. 811. 812. 813. 814. 815. 816. 817. 818. 819. 820. 821. 822. 823. 824. 825. 826. 827. 828. 829. 830. 831. 832. 833. 834. 835. 836. 837. 838. 839. 840. 841. 842. 843. 844. 845. 846. 847. 848. 849. 850. 851. 852. 853. 854. 855. 856. 857. 858. 859. 860. 861. 862. 863. 864. 865. 866. 867. 868. 869. 870. 871. 872. 873. 874. 875. 876. 877. 878. 879. 880. 881. 882. 883. 884. 885. 886. 887. 888. 889. 890. 891. 892. 893. 894. 895. 896. 897. 898. 899. 900. 901. 902. 903. 904. 905. 906. 907. 908. 909. 910. 911. 912. 913. 914. 915. 916. 917. 918. 919. 920. 921. 922. 923. 924. 925. 926. 927. 928. 929. 930. 931. 932. 933. 934. 935. 936. 937. 938. 939. 940. 941. 942. 943. 944. 945. 946. 947. 948. 949. 950. 951. 952. 953. 954. 955. 956. 957. 958. 959. 960. 961. 962. 963. 964. 965. 966. 967. 968. 969. 970. 971. 972. 973. 974. 975. 976. 977. 978. 979. 980. 981. 982. 983. 984. 985. 986. 987. 988. 989. 990. 991. 992. 993. 994. 995. 996. 997. 998. 999. 1000.

uerfant therein, and waxe old in thy worke.

21 Marueil not at the workes of sinners, but trust in the Lord, and abide in thy labour: for it is an eafie thing in the sight of the Lord on the sudden to make a poore man rich.

22 The blessing of the Lord is in the reward of the godly, and suddenly he maketh his blessing to florish.

23 Say not, What profit is there of my seruice? and what good things shall I haue hereafter?

24 Againe, say not, I haue enough, and possesse many things: and what euill can come to mee hereafter?

25 In the day of prosperity there is a forgetfulnesse of affliction: and in the day of affliction, there is no remembrance of prosperity.

26 For it is an easie thing vnto the Lord, in the day of death to reward a man according to his wayes.

27 The affliction of an houre maketh a man forget pleasure: and in his end his deeds shall bee discouered.

28 Iudge none blessed before his death, for a man shalbe knowne in his children.

29 Bring not euery man into thine house, for the deceitfull man hath many traines.

30 Like as a partridge taken [and kept] in a cage so is the heart of the proud: and like as a spie, waiteth he for thy fall.

31 For hee lieth in wait, and turneth good into euill, and in things worthy praise, will lay blame vpon thee.

32 Of a sparke of fire, a heape of coales is kindled: and a sinfull man layeth wait for blood.

33 Take heed of a mischeeuous man (for hee worketh wickednesse) least hee bring vpon thee a perpetuall blot.

34 Receiue a stranger into thy house, and he will disturbe thee, and turne thee out of thine owne.

CHAP. XII.

1 *Be liberal to the vngodly, and Trust not alone vnto the wicked.*

WHen thou wilt doe good, know to whom thou doest it; so shalt thou be thanked for thy benefits.

2 Doe good to the godly man, and thou shalt finde a recompence: and if not from him, yet from the most High.

3 There can no good come to him that is alwayes occupied in euill: nor to him that giueth no alms.

4 Giue to the godly man, and helpe not a sinner.

5 Doe well vnto him that is lowly, but giue not to the vngodly: hold backe thy bread, and giue it not vnto him, least he ouermaster thee thereby: For else thou shalt receiue twice as much euill, for all the good thou shalt haue done vnto him.

6 For the most High hateth sinners, and will reward vengeance vnto the godly, and keepeth them vnto the mighty day of their punishment.

7 Giue vnto the good, and helpe not the sinner.

8 A friend cannot be knowne in prosperity, and an enemy cannot be hidden in aduersity.

9 In the prosperity of a man, enemies will bee grieued; but in his aduersity, euen a friend will depart.

10 Neuer trust thine enemy: for like as [yron] waxeth soft is his wicked nesse.

11 Though hee humble himselfe, and goe crouching, yet take good heed, and beware of him, and thou shalt be vnto him, as if thou hadst wiped a looking-glasse, and thou shalt know that his rust hath not beene altogether wiped away.

12 Set him not by thee, least when he hath ouerthrowne thee, he stand vp in thy place, neither let him sit at thy right hand, least he seeke to take thy seat, and thou at the last remember my words, and be pricked therewith.

13 Who will pitty a charmer that is bitten with a serpent, or any such as come nigh wild beasts?

14 So one that goeth to a sinner, and is defiled with his sinnes, who will pitty?

15 For a while he will abide with thee, but if thou begin to fall, he will not tarry.

16 An enemy speaketh sweetly with his lips: but in his heart he imagineth how to throw thee into a pit, he will weepe with his eyes: but if he find opportunity, he will not be satisfied with blood.

17 If aduersity come vpon thee, thou shalt find him there first, and though he pretend to helpe thee, yet shall he supplant thee.

18 He will shake his head and clap his hands, and whisper much, and change his countenance.

CHAP. XIII.

1 *Keepe not company with the proud, or a mightier then thy selfe.* 15 *Lake will to like.* 21 *The difference betweene the rich and the poore.* 25 *A mans heart will change his countenance.*

HE that toucheth pitch shall be defiled therewith, and he that hath fellowship with a proud man, shall be like vnto him.

2 Burden not thy selfe aboue thy power while thou liuest, and haue no fellowship with one that is mightier and richer then thy selfe. For how agree the kettle and the earthen pot together? for if the one be smitten against the other, it shal be broken.

3 The rich man hath done wrong, and yet hee threateneth withall: the poore is wronged, and he must intreat also.

4 If thou be for his profit, he will vse thee: but if thou haue nothing, he will forsake thee.

5 If thou haue any thing, he will liue with thee; yea, he will make thee bare, and will not be sorry for it.

6 If he haue need of thee, he will deceiue thee, and smile vpon thee, and put thee in hope, he will speake thee faire, and say, What wantest thou?

7 And he will shame thee by his meats, vntill he haue drawne thee dry twice or thrice, and at the last he will laugh thee to scorne: afterward when he seeth thee, he will forsake thee, and shake his head at thee.

8 Beware that thou be not deceiued, and brought downe in thy iollity.

9 If thou be inuited of a mighty man, withdraw thy selfe, and so much the more will he inuite thee.

10 Preasse thou not vpon him, least thou be put backe, stand not farre off, least thou be forgotten.

11 Affect not to be made equall vnto him in talke, and beleeue not his many words: for with much communication will he tempt thee, and smiling vpon thee, will get out thy secrets.

12 But cruelly he will lay vp thy words, and will not spare to doe thee hurt, and to put thee in prison.

13 Obserue and take good heed, for thou walkest in peril of thy ouerthrowing: when thou hearest these things, awake in thy sleepe.

14 Loue the Lord all thy life, and call vpon him for thy saluation.

15 Euery beast loueth his like, and euery man loueth his neighbour.

16 All flesh consorteth according to kind, and a man will cleaue to his like.

17 What fellowship hath the wolfe with the lambe? so the sinner with the godly.

18 What

18 What agreement is there betweene the Hyena and a dog? and what peace betweene the rich and the poore?
19 As the wilde asse is the lyons prey in the wildernesse: so the rich eat vp the poore.
20 As the proud hate humility: so doth the rich abhorre the poore.
21 A rich man beginning to fall, is held vp of his friends: but a poore man being downe, is thrust also away by his friends.
22 When a rich man is fallen, he hath many helpers. he speaketh things not to be spoken, and yet men iustifie him: the poore man slipt, and yet they rebuked him too, he spake wisely, and could haue no place.
23 When a rich man speaketh, every man holdeth his tongue, and looke what he saith, they extoll it to the clouds: but if the poore man speake, they say, What fellow is this? and if he stumble, they will helpe to ouerthrow him.
24 Riches are good vnto him that hath no sinne, and pouerty is euill in the mouth of the vngodly.
25 The heart of a man changeth his countenance, whether it be for good or euill: and a merry heart maketh a chearefull countenance.
25 A chearefull countenance is a token of a heart that is in prosperity, and the finding out of parables is a wearisome labour of the mind.

CHAP. XIIII

1 A good conscience maketh men happy. 5 The niggard doth good to none. 13 But doe thou good. 20 Men are happy that draw neere vnto wisedome.

* Chap. 19.16. and 25.8. iam. 3.2. for, sorrow.

BLessed * is the man that hath not slipt with his mouth, and is not pricked with the ‖ multitude of sinnes.
2 Blessed is he whose conscience hath not condemned him, and who is not fallen from his hope in the Lord.
3 Riches are not comely for a niggard: and what should an enuious man doe with mony?
4 Hee that gathereth by defrauding his owne soule, gathereth for others that shall spend his goods riotously.
5 He that is euill to himselfe, to whom will he be good? he shall not take pleasure in his goods.
6 There is none worse then he that enuieth himselfe; and there is a recompence of his wickednes.
7 And if he doth good, he doth it vnwillingly, and at the last he will declare his wickednesse.
8 The enuious man hath a wicked eye, hee turneth away his face and despiseth men.

* Prou. 17.20.

9 * A couetous mans eye is not satisfied with his portion, and the iniquity of the wicked dryeth vp his soule.
10 A wicked eye enuieth [his] bread, and he is a niggard at his table.
11 My sonne, according to thy ability, doe good to thy selfe, and giue the Lord his due offering.
12 Remember that death will not be long in comming, and that the couenant of the graue is not shewed vnto thee.

* Tob. 4. 7. luke 14. 13. ‖ Or, the feast day.

13 * Doe good vnto thy friend before thou die, and according to thy ability, stretch out thy hand and giue to him.
14 Defraud not thy selfe of ‖ the good day, and let not the part of a good desire ouerpasse thee.
15 Shalt thou not leaue thy trauels vnto another? and thy labours to be diuided by lot?
16 Giue and take, and sanctifie thy soule: for there is no seeking of dainties in the graue.

Esa. 40.6 Iam. 1.10. 1. Pet. 1.24.

17 *All flesh waxeth old as a garment: for ϒ couenant from the beginning is, Thou shalt die ‖ death.
18 As of the greene leaues on a thicke tree, some fall, and some grow, so is the generation of flesh and blood, one commeth to an end, and another is borne.
19 Euery worke rotteth and consumeth away, and the worker thereof shall goe withall.
20 *Blessed is the man that doth meditate good things in wisedome, and that reasoneth of holy things by his vnderstanding.
21 Hee that considereth her wayes in his heart, shall also haue vnderstanding in her secrets.
22 Goe after her as one that traceth, and lie in wait in her wayes.
23 He that prieth in at her windowes, shall also hearken at her doores.
24 He that doth lodge neere her house shall also fasten a pin in her walles.
25 He shall pitch his tent nigh vnto her, and shall lodge in a lodging where good things are.
26 Hee shall set his children vnder her shelter, and shall lodge vnder her branches.
27 By her he shall be couered from heat, and in her glory shall he dwell.

CHAP. XV.

1 Wisedome entertaineth them that feare God. 7 The wicked shall not get her. 11 He may not charge God with our faultes: 14 For he made vs, and not to doe ourselues.

HEe that feareth the Lord will do good, and he that hath the knowledge of the Law, shall obtaine her.
2 And as a mother shall she meet him, and receiue him as a wife married of a virgin.
3 With the bread of vnderstanding shall she feed him, & giue him the water of wisedome to drinke.
4 He shall be stayed vpon her, and shall not be moued, and shall relie vpon her, and shall not be confounded.
5 She shall exalt him aboue his neighbours, and in the midst of the congregation shall she open his mouth.
6 He shall find ioy and a crowne of gladnes, and she shall cause him to inherit an euerlasting name.
7 But foolish men shall not attaine vnto her, and sinners shall not see her.
8 For she is farre from pride, and men that are liers cannot remember her.
9 ‖ Praise is not seemely in the mouth of a sinner; for ‖ it was not sent him of the Lord:
10 For ‖ praise shall be vttered in wisedome, and the Lord will prosper it.
11 Say not then, It is through the Lord that I fell away, for thou oughtest not to doe the things that he hateth.
12 Say not thou, Hee hath caused me to erre, for he hath no need of the sinfull man.
13 The Lord hateth all abomination, and those that feare God loue it not.
14 He himself made man from the * beginning, and left him in the hand of his counsell,
15 If thou wilt, to keep the commandements, and to performe acceptable faithfulnesse.
16 He hath set fire and water before thee: stretch forth thy hand vnto whether thou wilt.
17 * Before man is life and death, and whether him liketh shall be giuen him.
18 For the wisdome of the Lord is great, and he is mighty in power, and beholdeth all things.
19 And *his eyes are vpon them that feare him, and he knoweth euery worke of man.
20 He hath commanded no man to doe wickedly, neither hath he giuen any man licence to sinne.

2 Esdr. 16. 61. Ecclus. 14. 23. 24.

CHAP. XVI.

1 *It is better to haue none, then many lewd children.* 6 *The wicked are not spared for their number.* 12 *Both the wrath and the mercy of the Lord are great.* 17 *The wicked cannot be hid.* 20 *Gods works are vnsearchable.*

DEsire not a multitude of vnprofitable children, neither delight in vngodly sonnes.

2 Though they multiply reioyce not in them, except the feare of the Lord be with them.

3 Trust not thou in their life, neither respect their multitude? for one that is iust is better then a thousand, and better it is to die without children, then to haue them that are vngodly.

4 For by one that hath vnderstanding, shall the city be replenished, but the kinred of the wicked shall speedily become desolate.

5 Many such things haue I seene with mine eyes, & mine eare hath heard greater things then these.

6 *In the Congregation of the vngodly shall a fire be kindled, and in a rebellious nation wrath is set on fire.

7 *He was not pacified towards the old gyants, which fell away in the strength of their foolishnesse.

8 *Neither spared hee the place where Lot sojourned, but abhorred them for their pride.

9 He pitied not the people of perdition, who were taken away in their sinnes.

10 *Nor the sixe hundred thousand footmen, who were gathered together in the hardnesse of their hearts.

11 And if there bee one stiffe-necked among the people, it is marueile if he escape vnpunished; for mercy and wrath are with him, hee is mighty to forgiue, and to powre out displeasure.

12 As his mercy is great, so is his correction also: he iudgeth a man according to his workes.

13 The sinner shall not escape with his spoyles, and the patience of the godly shall not be frustrate.

14 Make way for euery worke of mercy: for euery man shall find according to his workes.

15 The Lord hardened Pharaoh, that hee should not know him, that his power full workes might be knowne to the world.

16 His mercy is manifest to euery creature, and hee hath separated his light from the darkenesse with his Adamant.

17 Say not thou, I will hide my selfe from the Lord, shall any remember me from aboue? I shall not be remembred among so many people; for what is my sinle among such an infinite number of creatures?

18 *Behold, the heauen, and the heauen of heauen, the deepe, and the earth, and all that therein is, shall be mooued when he shall visite.

19 The mountaines also, and foundations of the earth shall bee shaken with trembling, when the Lord looketh vpon them.

20 No heart can thinke vpon these things worthily: and who is able to conceiue his wayes?

21 It is a tempest which no man can see: for the most part of his workes are hid.

22 Who can declare the works of his iustice? or who can endure them? for his couenant is a far off, and the triall of all things is in the end.

23 Hee that wanteth vnderstanding, will thinke vpon vaine things: and a foolish man erring, imagineth follies.

24 My sonne, hearken vnto me, and learne knowledge, and marke my words with thy heart.

25 I will shew foorth doctrine in weight and declare his knowledge exactly.

26 The workes of the Lord are done in iudgement from the beginning: and from the time hee made them, he disposed the parts thereof.

27 Hee garnished his workes for euer, and in his hand are the chiefe of them vnto all generations: they neither labour, nor are weary, nor cease from their workes.

28 None of them hindereth another, and they shall neuer disobey his word.

29 After this, the Lord looked vpon the earth, and filled it with his blessings.

30 With all manner of liuing things hath he couered the face thereof, and they shall returne into it againe.

CHAP. XVII.

1 *How God created and furnished man.* 14 *Auoyd all sin.* 19 *For God seeth all things.* 25 *Turne to him while time is.*

THE Lord *created man of the earth, and turned him into it againe.

2 *He gaue them few dayes, and a short time: and power also ouer the things therein.

3 Hee endued them with strength by themselues, and made them according to his image.

4 And put the feare of man vpon all flesh, and gaue him dominion ouer beasts and foules.

5 [They receiued the vse of the fiue operations of the Lord, and in the sixt place hee imparted them vnderstanding, and in the seuenth, speech, an interpreter of the cogitations thereof.]

6 Counsell, and a tongue, and eyes, eares, and a heart gaue he them to vnderstand.

7 Withall, he filled them with the knowledge of vnderstanding, and shewed them good and euill.

8 He set his eye vpon their hearts, that hee might shew them the greatnesse of his workes.

9 He gaue them to glory in his marueilous actes for euer, that they might declare his workes with vnderstanding.

10 And the Elect shall praise his holy Name.

11 Besides this, hee gaue them knowledge, and the Law of life for an heritage.

12 He made an euerlasting Couenant with them, and shewed them his iudgements.

13 Their eyes saw the Maiesty of his glory, and their eares heard his glorious voyce.

14 And he said vnto them, Beware of all vnrighteousnesse, and he *gaue euery man commandement concerning his neighbour.

15 Their wayes are euer before him, and shall not be hid from his eyes.

16 Euery man from his youth is giuen to euill, neither could they make to themselues fleshy hearts for stony.

17 For in the diuision of the nations of the whole earth, he set a*ruler ouer euery people, but *Israel is the Lords portion:

18 Whom being his first borne, hee nourished with discipline, and giuing him the light of his loue, doeth not forsake him.

19 Therefore all their workes are as the Sunne before him, and his eyes are continually vpon their wayes.

20 None of their vnrighteous deeds are hid from him, but all their sinnes are before the Lord:

21 But the Lord being gracious, and knowing his workemanship, neither left, nor forsooke them, but spared them.

22 The *almes of a man is as a signet with him, and hee will keepe the good deeds of man as the apple of the eye, and giue repentance to his sonnes and Daughters.

23 *Afterward he will rise vp, and reward them,

and render their recompence vpon their heads.

24 * But vnto them that repent, he granted them returne, and comforted those that faile in patience.

25 *Returne vnto the Lord, and forsake thy sins, make thy prayer before his face, and ‖ offend lesse.

26 Turne againe to the most High, and turne away from iniquity: for hee will leade thee out of darknesse into the ‖ light of health, and hate thou abomination vehemently.

27 *Who shall praise the most High in the graue, in stead of them which liue and giue thankes?

28 Thankesgiuing perisheth from the dead, as from one that is not: the liuing and sound in heart shall praise the Lord.

29 How great is the louing kindnesse of the Lord our God, and his compassion vnto such as turne vnto him in holinesse?

30 For all things cannot bee in men, because the sonne of man is not immortall.

31 *What is brighter then the Sunne? Yet the light thereof faileth: and flesh and blood will imagine euill.

32 He vieweth the power of the height of heauen, and all men are but earth and ashes.

CHAP. XVIII.

4 God's workes are to bee wondered at. 9 Mans life is short. 11 God is mercifull. 15 Doe not lie whilst thy good deedes with ill words. 22 Deserue not to bee iustified. 30 Follow not thy lustes.

HEe that liueth for euer, * created all things in generall.

2 The Lord onely is righteous, and there is none other but he.

3 Who gouerneth the world with the palme of his hand, and all things obey his will; for he is the King of all, by his power * diuiding holy things among them from prophane.

4 To whom hath he giuen power to declare his workes? * and who shall find out his noble actes?

5 Who shall number the strength of his maiesty? and who shall also tell out his mercies?

6 As for the wonderous workes of the Lord, there may nothing be taken from them, neither may any thing be put vnto them, neither can the ground of them be found out.

7 When a man hath done, then hee beginneth, and when he leaueth off then he shall be doubtfull.

8 What is man, and whereto serueth he? what is his good, and what is his euill?

9 * The number of a mans dayes at the most are an hundred yeeres.

10 As a drop of water vnto the Sea, and a gravel stone in comparison of the sand, so are a * thousand yeeres to the dayes of eternity.

11 Therefore is God patient with them, and powreth foorth his mercy vpon them.

12 Hee saw and perceiued their end to be euill: therefore he multiplyed his compassion.

13 The mercy of man is toward his neighbour; but the mercy of the Lord is vpon all flesh: he reproueth, and nurtureth, and teacheth, and bringeth againe, as a shepherd his flocke.

14 Hee hath mercy on them that receiue discipline, & that diligently seeke after his iudgments.

15 * My sonne, blemish not thy good deeds: neither vse vncomfortable words when thou giuest any thing.

16 Shall not the dewe asswage the heate? so is a word better then a gift.

17 Loe, is not a word better then a gift? but both are with a gracious man.

18 A foole will vpbraid churlishly, and a gift of the enuious consumeth the eyes.

19 Learne before thou speake, and vse Physicke or euer thou be sicke.

20 Before iudgement * examine thy selfe, and in * the day of visitation thou shalt find mercy.

21 Humble thy selfe before thou be sicke, and in the time of sinnes shew repentance.

22 Let nothing hinder thee to pay thy vow in due time, and deferre not vntill death to be iustified.

23 Before thou prayest, prepare thy selfe, and bee not as one that tempteth the Lord.

24 * Thinke vpon the wrath that shall be at the end, and the time of vengeance when hee shall turne away his face.

25 When thou hast enough, remember the time of hunger, and when thou art rich, talke vpon pouerty and need.

26 From the morning vntill the euening the time is changed, and all things are soone done before the Lord.

27 * A wise man will feare in euery thing, and in the day of sinning he will beware of offence: but a foole will not obserue time.

28 Euery man of vnderstanding knoweth wisdome, and will giue praise vnto him that found her.

29 They that were of vnderstanding in speaking became also wise themselues, and powred foorth exquisite parables.

30 * Goe not after thy lustes, but refraine thy selfe from thine appetites.

31 If thou giuest thy soule the desires that please her, she will make thee a laughing stocke to thine enemies that maligne thee.

32 Take not pleasure in much good cheere, neither be tyed to the expence thereof.

33 Bee not made a begger by banqueting vpon borrowing, when thou hast nothing in thy purse: for thou shalt lie in waite for the vsury of life, and be talked on.

CHAP. XIX.

2 Wine and women seduce wise men. 6 Search all thou hearest. 17 Reproue thy friend without anger. 22 There is no wisedome in wickednesse.

A Labouring man that is giuen to drunkennesse shall not bee rich: and hee that despiseth small things shall fall by little and little.

2 Wine and women will make men of vnderstanding to fall away, and he that cleaueth vnto lots, will become impudent.

3 Moths and wormes shall haue him to heritage, and a bold man shall be taken away.

4 * He that is hasty to giue credite, is a light minded: and hee that sinneth, shall offend against his owne soule.

5 Who so taketh pleasure in wickednesse, shall bee condemned: but hee that resisteth pleasures, crowneth his life.

6 Hee that can rule his tongue shall liue without strife, and hee that hateth babbling, shall haue lesse euill.

7 Rehearse not vnto any thing that which is told vnto thee, and thou shalt fare neuer the worse.

8 Whether it be to friend or foe, talke not of other mens liues, and if thou canst without offence reueale them not.

9 For hee heard and obserued thee, and when time commeth, he will hate thee.

10 If thou hast heard a word, let it die with thee, and bee bold it will not burst thee.

11 A foole trauaileth with a word, as a woman in labour of a childe.

13 As an arrow that sticketh in a mans thigh, so
doth a word within a fooles belly.

14 * Admonish a friend, it may be hee hath not
done it: and if he haue [done it] that hee doe it
no more.

15 Admonish thy friend, it may be he hath not
said it: and if he haue, that he speake it not againe.

16 Admonish a friend, for many times it is a slan-
der, and beleeue not every tale.

17 There is one that slippeth in his speech, but
not from his heart, and who is he that hath not
offended with his * tongue?

18 Admonish thy neighbour before thou threa-
ten him, and not being angry, giue place to the
Law of the most High.

19 The feare of the Lord is the first step to bee
accepted [of him] & wisedome obtaineth his loue.

20 The knowledge of the Commandements of
the Lord is the doctrine of life, and they that doe
things that please him, shall receiue the fruit of the
tree of immortality.

21 The feare of the Lord is all wisedome, and in
all wisedome is the performance of the Law, and
the knowledge of his omnipotencie.

22 If a seruant say to his master, I will not doe as
it pleaseth thee, though afterward he doe it, he an-
gereth him that nourisheth him.

23 The knowledge of wickednes is not wisdome:
neither at any time the counsel of sinners prudence.

24 There is a wickednes, and the same an abomi-
nation; and there is a foole wanting in wisedome.

25 He that hath small vnderstanding, and feareth
God, is better then one that hath much wisedome,
and transgresseth the Law of the most High.

26 There is an exquisite subtilty, and the same is
vniust, and there is one that turneth aside to make
iudgement appeare: and there is a wise man that
iustifieth in iudgment.

27 There is a wicked man that hangeth downe
his head sadly, but inwardly he is full of deceit,

28 Casting downe his countenance, and making
as if he heard not: where he is not knowne, he will
doe thee a mischiefe before thou be aware.

29 And if for want of power he be hindred from
sinning, yet when he findeth opportunity, hee will
doe euill.

30 A man may be knowne by his looke, and one
that hath vnderstanding, by his countenance, when
thou meetest him.

31 A mans attire, and excessiue laughter and gate
shew what he is.

CHAP. XX.

1 *Of silence and speaking*, 10 *Of gifts and gaine*,
18 *Of slipping by the tongue*, 24 *Of lying*, 27 *Of di-
uers aduertisements.*

THere is a reproofe that is not comely; againe,
some man holdeth his tongue, and he is wise.

2 It is much better to reproue, then to be angry
secretly: and he that confesseth his fault shall bee
preserued from hurt.

3 How good is it when thou art reproued to
shew repentance? for so shalt thou escape wilfull
sinne.

4 As is the lust of an * Eunuch to deflowre a
virgine, so is he that executeth iudgement with
violence.

5 There is one that keepeth silence, and is found
wise: and another by much babbling becommeth
hatefull.

6 Some man holdeth his tongue, because he hath
not to answere, and some keepeth silence, * know-
ing his time.

7 A wise man will hold his * tongue till he see
opportunity: but a babler and a foole will regard
no time.

8 He that vseth many words shall be abhorred:
and he that taketh to himselfe authority therein,
shall be hated.

9 There is a sinner that hath good successe in euil
things, and there is a gaine that turneth to losse.

10 There is a gift that shall not profit thee; and
there is a gift whose recompence is double.

11 There is an abasement because of glory, and
there is that lifteth vp his head from a low estate.

12 There is that buyeth much for a little, and re-
payeth it seuen fold.

13 A wise man by his words maketh himselfe be-
loued, but the graces of fooles shall be powred
out.

14 The gift of a foole shall do thee no good when
thou hast it: neither yet of a ſ eunious, for his neces-
ſitie for he looketh to receiue many things for one.

15 He giueth little, and vpbraideth much: he o-
peneth his mouth like a cryer, to day he lendeth,
and to morrow will he aske it againe: such a one is
to be hated of God and man.

16 The foole saith, I haue no friends, I haue no
thanke for all my good deeds: and they that eate
my bread, speake euill of me.

17 How oft and of how many shal he be laughed
to scorne? for he knoweth not aright what it is to
haue, and it is all one vnto him, as if he had it not.

18 To slip vpon a pauement is better then to slip
with the tongue: so the fall of the wicked shall
come speedily.

19 An vnseasonable tale will alway bee in the
mouth of the vnwise.

20 A wise sentence shall be reiected when it com-
meth out of a fooles mouth: for he will not speake
it in due season.

21 There is that is hindred from sinning, through
want: and when he taketh rest, he † shall not be
troubled.

22 There is that destroyeth his owne soule tho-
row bashfulnesse, and by accepting of persons, o-
uerthroweth himselfe.

23 There is that for bashfulnesse promiseth to
his friend, and maketh him his enemy for nothing.

24 * A lie is a foule blot in a man, yet it is con-
tinually in the mouth of the vntaught.

25 A thiefe is better then a man that is accusto-
med to lie: but they both shall haue destruction to
heritage.

26 The disposition of a liar is [dishonourable]
and his shame is euer with him.

27 A wise man shall promote himselfe to honour
with his words: and he that hath vnderstanding,
will please great men.

28 * Hee that tilleth his land, shall increase his
heape: and he that pleaseth great men, shall get
pardon for iniquity.

29 * Presents and gifts blind the eyes of the wise,
and ſ stop vp his mouth that he cannot reprooue.

30 Wisedome that is hid, and treasure that is
hoarded vp, what profit is in them both?

31 Better is he that hideth his folly, then a man
that hideth his wisedome.

32 Necessary patience in seeking the Lord, is bet-
ter then he that leadeth his life without a guide.

CHAP XXI.

1 *Flee from sin as from a serpent.* 4 *His oppressi-
on will vndoe the rich.* 9 *The end of the vniust shall be nought.* 12 *The differences betweene the foole and
the wise.*

MY sonne, hast thou sinned? doe so no more, but * aske pardon for thy former sinnes.

2 Flee from sinne as from the face of a serpent: for if thou commest too neere it, it will bite thee: the teeth thereof are as the teeth of a lyon, slaying the soules of men.

3 All iniquity is as a two edged sword: the wounds whereof cannot be healed.

4 To terrifie and doe wrong, will waste riches: thus the house of proud men shalbe made desolate.

5 * A prayer out of a poore mans mouth reacheth to the eares of God, and his iudgement commeth speedily.

6 He that hateth to be reproued, is in the way of sinners: but he that feareth the Lord, will † repent from his heart.

† Greeke, be conuerted.

7 An eloquent man is knowne farre and neere, but a man of vnderstanding knoweth when he slipperth.

8 He that buildeth his house with other mens money, is like one that gathereth him selfe stones for the tombe of his buriall.

9 * The congregation of the wicked is like tow wrapped together: and the end of them is a flame of fire to destroy them.

10 The way of sinners is made plaine with stones: but at the end thereof is the pit of hell.

11 He that keepeth the Law of the Lord, getteth the vnderstanding thereof: and the perfection of the feare of the Lord is wisedome.

12 * He that is not wise will not be taught: but there is a wisdome which multiplieth bitternesse.

13 The knowledge of a wise man shall abound like a flood; and his counsell is like a pure fountaine of life.

14 * The inner parts of a foole are like a broken vessell, and he will hold no knowledge as long as he liueth.

15 If a skilfull man heare a wise word, hee will commend it, and * adde vnto it: but as soone as one of no vnderstanding heareth it, it displeaseth him, and he casteth it behind his back.

16 The talking of a foole is like a burden in the way: but grace shall be found in the lips of § wise.

17 They enquire at the mouth of the wise man in the Congregation, and they shall ponder his words in their heart.

18 As is a house that is destroyed, so is wisedome to a foole: and the knowledge of the vnwise is as talke ‖ without sense.

‖ Or, not to be enquired after.

19 Doctrine vnto fooles is as fetters on the feet, and like manacles on the right hand.

20 * A foole lifteth vp his voyce with laughter, but a wise man doth scarce smile a little.

21 Learning is vnto a wise man as an ornament of gold, and like a bracelet vpon his right arme.

22 A foolish mans foot is soone in his [neighbors] house: but a man of experience is ashamed of him.

23 A foole will prepe in at the doore into § house: but he that is well nurtured will stand without.

24 It is the rudenesse of a man to hearken at the doore: but a wise man will bee grieued with the disgrace.

25 The lips of talkers will be telling such things as pertaine not vnto them, but the words of such as haue vnderstanding are weighed in the ballance.

26 The heart of fooles is in their mouth, but the mouth of the wise is in their heart.

27 When the vngodly curseth Satan, he curseth his owne soule.

28 * A whisperer defi[le]s [o]wne soule, and is hated where[so]euer [he] th.

CHAP. XXII.

1 *Of the slothfull man, 3 and a foolish daughter,* 11 *Weepe rather for fooles then for the dead:* 13 *Meddle not with theeues.* 16 *The wise man keepeth will not shrinke.* 20 *What will loose a friend.*

A Slothfull man is compared to a filthy stone, & euery one will hisse him out to his disgrace.

2 A slothfull man is compared to the filth of a dunghill, euery man that takes it vp, will shake his hand.

3 An euill nurtured sonne is the dishonour of his father: that begate him: and a [foolish] daughter is borne to his losse.

4 * A wise daughter shall bring an inheritance to her husband: but she that liueth dishonestly, is her fathers heauinesse.

5 She that is bold, dishonoureth both her father and her husband: but they both shall despise her.

6 A tale out of season [is as] musicke in mourning: but stripes and correction of wisedome are neuer out of time.

7 Whoso teacheth a foole, is as one that glueth a pot sherd together, and as he that waketh out of a sound sleepe.

8 He that telleth a tale to a foole, speaketh to one in a slumber: when he hath told his tale he will say, What is the matter?

9 If children liue honestly and bouelwhitewish all, they shall couer the baseneſſe of their parents.

10 But children being haughty through disdaine, and want of nurture, doe staine the nobility of their kindred.

11 * Weep for the dead, for he hath lost the light: and weepe for the foole, for he wanteth vnderstanding: make little weeping for the dead for he is at rest: but the life of the foole is worse then death.

12 Seuen dayes doe men mourne for him that is dead: but for a foole and an vngodly man all the dayes of his life.

13 Talke not much with a foole, and goe not to him § hath no vnderstanding, beware of him, lest § haue trouble, & thou shalt neuer be defiled with his fooleries: depart from him, and thou shalt find rest, and neuer be disquieted with madnesse.

14 What is heauier then lead? and what is the name thereof but a foole?

15 * Sand, and salt, and a masse of yron is easier to beare, then a man without vnderstanding.

16 As timber girt and bound together in a building cannot be loosed with shaking: so the heart that is stablished by aduised counsell, shall feare at no time.

17 A heart setled vpon a thought of vnderstanding is a faire plaistering on the wall of a gallery.

18 Pales set on an high place, will neuer stand against the wind: so a fearefull heart in the imagination of a foole, cannot stand against any feare.

19 He that pricketh the eye, will make teares to fall: and he that pricketh the heart, maketh it shew her knowledge.

20 Who so casteth a stone at the birds, fraieth them away: and he that vpbraideth his friend breaketh friendship.

21 Though thou drewest a sword at thy friend, yet despaire not: for there may be a returning to fauour.

22 If thou hast opened thy mouth against thy friend, feare not, for there may be a reconciliation: except for vpbraiding, or pride, or disclosing of secrets, or a trecherous wound: for, for these things euery friend will depart.

23 Be faithfull to thy neighbour in his pouerty,

that thou mayest reioyce in his prosperity: abide stedfast vnto him in the time of his trouble, that thou mayest be heire with him in his heritage: for a meane estate is not alway to bee contemned, nor the rich that is foolish to be had in admiration.

24 As the vapour and smoake of a furnace goeth before the fire: so reuiling before blood.

25 I will not bee ashamed to defend a friend: neither will I hide my selfe from him.

26 And if any euill happen vnto mee by him, euery one that heareth it, will beware of him.

27 * Who shall set a watch before my mouth, and a seale of wisedome vpon my lips, that I fall not suddenly by them, and that my tongue destroy mee not?

CHAP. XXIII.

1 *A prayer for grace to flee sinne.* 9 *We may not vse swearing:* 14 *But remember our parents.* 16 *Of three sorts of sinne.* 23 *The adulterous wife sinneth many wayes.*

O Lord, Father and gouernour of all my whole life, leaue mee not to their counsels, and let mee not fall by them.

2 Who will set scourges ouer my thoughts, and the discipline of wisedome ouer mine heart? that they spare me not for mine ignorances, and it passe not by my sinnes.

3 Lest mine ignorances increase, and my sinnes abound to my destruction, and I fall before mine aduersaries, and mine enemy reioyce ouer mee, whose hope is farre from thy mercy.

4 O Lord, Father, and God of my life, giue me not a proud looke, but turne away from thy seruants alwayes a ‖ haughty mind:

5 Turne away from mee vaine hope, and concupiscence, and thou shalt hold him vp that is desirous alwayes to serue thee.

6 Let not the greedinesse of the belly nor lust of the flesh take hold of mee, and giue not ouer mee thy seruant, into an impudent mind.

7 Heare, O yee children, the discipline of the mouth: He that keepeth it, shall neuer be taken in his lips.

8 The sinner shalbe left in his foolishnes: both the euill speaker and the proud shall fall thereby.

9 * Accustome not thy mouth to swearing: neither vse thy selfe to the naming of the holy One.

10 For as a seruant that is continually beaten, shall not bee without a blew marke: so hee that sweareth and nameth God continually, shall not be faultlesse.

11 A man that vseth much swearing shalbe filled with iniquity, and the plague shall neuer depart from his house: if hee shall offend, his sinne shalbe vpon him: and if hee acknowledge not his sinne, he maketh a double offence, and if he sweare in vaine, hee shall not be † innocent, but his house shalbe full of calamities.

12 There is a word that is clothed about with death: God grant that it be not found in the heritage of Iacob, for all such things shalbe farre from the godly, and they shall not wallow in their sinnes.

13 Vse not thy mouth to vncemperate swearing, for therein is the word of sinne.

14 Remember thy father and thy mother, when thou sittest among great men. Be not forgetfull before them, and so thou by thy custome become a foole, and wish that thou hadst not beene borne, and curse the day of thy nativity.

15 *The man that is accustomed to opprobrious words, will neuer bee reformed all the dayes of his life.

16 Two sorts of men multiply sinne, and the third will bring wrath: a hote mind is as a burning fire, it will neuer bee quenched till it bee consumed: a fornicator in the body of his flesh, will neuer cease till he hath kindled a fire.

17 * All bread is sweet to a whoremonger, hee will not leaue off till hee die.

18 A man that breaketh wedlocke, saying thus in his heart, * Who seeth mee? I am compassed about with darkenes: the walles couer mee, and no body seeth mee, what need I to feare? The most High will not remember my sinnes:

19 Such a man onely feareth the eyes of man, and knoweth not that the eyes of the Lord are ten thousand times brighter then the Sun, beholding all the wayes of men, and considering the most secret parts.

20 Hee knew all things ere euer they were created, so also after they were perfected, he looked vpon them all.

21 * This man shall bee punished in the streets of the city, and where hee suspecteth not, hee shall bee taken

22 Thus shall it goe also with the wife that leaueth her husband, and bringeth in an heire by ‖ another:

23 For * first shee hath disobeyed the Law of the most High: and secondly, shee hath trespassed against her owne husband, and thirdly, thee hath played the whore in adultery, and brought children by another man.

24 She shalbe brought out into the Congregation, and ‖ inquisition shalbe made of her children.

25 Her * children shall not take roote, and her branches shall bring foorth no fruit.

26 She shall leaue her memory to be cursed, and her reproach shall not be blotted out.

27 And they that remaine, shall know that there is nothing better then the feare of the Lord, and that there is nothing sweeter then to take heed vnto the Commandement of the Lord.

28 It is great glory to follow the Lord, and to be receiued of him is long life.

CHAP. XXIIII.

2 *Wisdome doeth praise her selfe, shew her beginning,* 4 *her dwelling,* 13 *her glory,* 17 *her fruit,* 26 *her increase and perfection.*

Wisdome shall praise her selfe, and shall glory in the midst of her people.

2 In the Congregation of the most High, shall shee open her mouth, and triumph before his power.

3 I came out of the mouth of the most High, and couered the earth as a ‖ cloud.

4 * I dwelt in high places, and my throne is in a cloudy pillar.

5 I alone compassed the circuit of heauen, and walked in the bottome of the deepe.

6 In the waues of the sea, and in all the earth, and in euery people and nation I got a possession.

7 With all these I sought rest: and in whose inheritance shall I abide?

8 So the Creator of all things gaue mee a Commandement, and hee that made mee, caused my tabernacle to rest: * and said, Let thy dwelling bee in Iacob, and thine inheritance in Israel.

9 Hee * created mee from the beginning before the world, and I shall neuer faile.

10 In * the holy Tabernacle I serued before him: and so was I established in Sion.

11 * Likewise in the ‖ beloued city hee gaue mee rest, and in Ierusalem was my power.

12 And I tooke root in an honourable people, euen in the portion of the Lords inheritance.

13 I was exalted like a Cedar in Libanus, and as a Cypresse tree vpon the mountaines of Hermon.

14 I was exalted like a Palme tree in ‖ Engaddi, and as a Rose-plant in Iericho, as faire Oliue-tree in a pleasant field, and grew vp as a Plane tree ‖ by the water.

15 I gaue a sweet smell like Cynamom, and Aspalathus, and I yeelded a pleasant odour like the best Myrrhe, as Galbanum, and Onyx, and sweet Storax, and as the fume of Frankincense in the * Tabernacle.

16 As the Turpentine tree, I stretched out my branches, and my branches are the branches of honour and grace.

17 *As the Vine brought forth pleasant sauour, and my flowers are the fruit of honour and riches.

18 I am the mother of faire loue, and feare, and knowledge, and holy hope, I therefore being eternall, am giuen to all my children, which are ‖ named of him.

19 Come vnto me all ye that be desirous of me, and fill your selues with my fruits.

20 For my memoriall is * sweeter then hony, and mine inheritance then the hony combe.

21 They that eate me shall yet be hungry, and they that drinke me shall yet be thirsty.

22 He that obeyeth me shal neuer be confounded, and they that worke by mee, shall not doe amisse.

23 All these things are the booke of the Couenant of the most high God, euen the * Law which Moses commanded for an heritage vnto the Congregations of Iacob.

24 Faint not to bee strong in the Lord, that hee may confirme you, cleaue vnto him: for the Lord Almighty is God alone, and besides him there is no other Sauiour.

25 He filleth all things with his wisedome, as * Physon, & as Tigris in the time of the new fruits.

26 He maketh the vnderstanding to abound like Euphrates, & as * Iordan in the time of the harueſt.

27 He maketh the doctrine of knowledge appeare as the light, and as Geon in the time of vintage.

28 The first man knew her not perfectly: no more shall the last find her out.

29 For her thoughts are more then the Sea, and her counsels profounder then the great deepe.

30 I also came out as a ‖ brooke from a riuer, and as a conduit into a garden.

31 I said, I will water my best garden, and will water abundantly my garden bed: and loe, my brooke became a riuer, and my riuer became a sea.

32 I will yet make doctrine to shine as the morning, and will send foorth her light afarre off.

33 I will yet powre out doctrine as prophecy, and leaue it to all ages for euer.

34 * Behold, that I haue not laboured for my selfe onely, but for all them that seeke wisedome.

CHAP. XXV.

1 What things are beautifull, and what hatefull. 6 What is the crowne of age. 7 What things make men happy. 13 Nothing worse then a wicked woman.

IN three things I ‖ was beautified and stood vp beautifull, both before God and men: the * vnity of brethren, the loue of neighbours, a man and a wife that agree together.

2 Three sorts of men my soule hateth, and I am greatly offended at their life, a poore man that is proud, a rich man that is a lyar, and an old adulterer that doteth.

3 If thou hast gathered nothing in thy youth, how canst thou find any thing in thine age?

4 Oh how comely a thing is iudgement for gray haires, and for ancient men to know counsell!

5 Oh how comely is the wisdome of old men, and vnderstanding and counsell to men of honour!

6 Much experience is the crowne of old men, and the feare of God is their glory.

7 There be nine things which I haue iudged in mine heart to be happy, and the tenth I will vtter with my tongue: a man that hath ioy of his children, and he that liueth to see the fall of his enemy.

8 Well is him that dwelleth with a wife of vnderstanding, and that hath not slipped * with his tongue, and that hath not serued a man more worthy then himselfe.

9 Well is him that hath found discretion, and he that speaketh in the eares of him that will heare.

10 Oh how great is hee that findeth wisedome! yet is there none aboue him that feareth the Lord.

11 But the loue of the Lord passeth all things for illumination: hee that holdeth it, ‖ whereto shall hee be likened?

12 The feare of the Lord is the beginning of his loue: and faith is the beginning of cleauing vnto him.

13 [Giue me] any plague, but the plague of the heart: and any wickednesse, but the wickednesse of a woman:

14 And any affliction, but the affliction from them that hate me: and any reuenge, but the reuenge of enemies.

15 There is no head aboue the head of a serpent, and there is no wrath aboue the wrath of an enemie.

16 *I had rather dwell with a lyon, and a dragon, then to keepe house with a wicked woman.

17 The wickednes of a woman changeth her face, and darkeneth her countenance, like sackcloth.

18 Her husband shall sit among his neighbours, and when he heareth it, shall sigh bitterly.

19 All wickednesse is but little to the wickednesse of a woman: let the portion of a sinner fall vpon her.

20 As the climbing vp a sandy way, is to the feet of the aged, so is a wife ‖ full of words to a quiet man.

21 * Stumble not at the beauty of a woman, and desire her not for pleasure.

22 A woman if she maintaine her husband, is full of anger, impudency, and much reproach.

23 A wicked woman abateth the courage, maketh a heauy countenance, and a wounded heart: a woman that will not comfort her husband in distresse, maketh weake hands, and feeble knees.

24 * Of the woman came the beginning of sinne, and through her we all die.

25 Giue the water no passage: neither a wicked woman liberty to gad abroad.

26 If shee goe not as thou wouldest haue her, cut her off from thy flesh, and giue her a bill of diuorce, and let her goe.

CHAP. XXVI.

1 A good wife, 4 and a good conuerse, doe glad men. 6 A wicked wife is a careſull thing. 13 Of good and bad wiues. 28 Of three things that are grieuous. 29 Merchants and Huckſters are not without sinne.

BLessed is the man that hath a vertuous wife, for the number of his dayes shall be double.

2 A vertuous woman reioyceth her husband, and he shall fulfill the yeeres of his life in peace.

26 A good wife is a good portion, which shall be
given in the portion of them that feare the Lord.
27 Whether a man bee rich or poore, if hee haue
a good heart toward the Lord, hee shall at all
times reioyce with a cheerefull countenance.
28 There bee three things that mine heart feareth: and for the fourth I was sore afraid: † the
slander of a city, the gathering together of an vnruly multitude, and a false accusation; all these
are worse then death.
29 But a griefe of heart and sorrow is a woman
that is iealous ouer another woman, and a scourge
of the tongue which communicateth with all.
30 An euill wife is a ‖ yoke shaken to and fro:
he that hath hold of her, is as though hee held a
scorpion.
31 A drunken woman, and a gadder abroad, causeth great anger, and shee will not couer her owne
shame.
32 The whoredome of a woman may bee knowne
by her haughty lookes, and eye-lids.
33 * If thy daughter bee shamelesse, keepe her
straitly, lest shee abuse her selfe through ouerabundant liberty.
34 Watch ouer an impudent eye: and marueile
not if she trespasse against thee.
35 She will open her mouth as a thirsty trauellour when he hath found a fountaine: and drinke of
euery water neere her: by euery ‖ hedge will she sit
downe and open her quiuer against euery arrow.
36 The grace of a wife delighteth her husband,
and her discretion will fat his bones.
37 A silent and louing woman is a gift of the
Lord, and there is nothing so much worth, as a
mind well instructed.
38 A shamefast and faithfull woman is a double
grace, and her continent mind cannot be valued.
39 As the Sun when it riseth in the † high heauens is the beauty of a good wife in the ‖ ordering of her house.
40 As the cleere light is vpon the holy candlesticke: so is the beauty of the face ‖ in ripe age.
41 As the golden pillars are vpon the sockets of
siluer: so faire feet with a constant ‖ heart.
42 My sonne, keepe the flowre of thine age sound:
and giue not thy strength vnto strangers.
43 When thou hast gotten a fruitfull possession
through all the field: stow it with thine owne seed,
trusting in the goodnesse of thy stocke.
44 So the race which thou leauest shalbe magnified, hauing the confidence of their good descent.
45 An harlot shall be accounted as a ‖ spittle: but
a married woman is a tower against death to her
husband.
46 A wicked woman is giuen as a portion to a
wicked man, but a godly woman is giuen to him
that feareth the Lord.
47 A dishonest woman contemneth shame, but an
honest woman will reuerence her husband.
48 A shamelesse woman shall bee accounted as a
dog: but shee that is shamefast will feare the Lord.
49 A woman that honoureth her husband, shall
be iudged wise of all: but shee that dishonoureth
him in her pride, shalbe counted vngodly of all.
50 A loud crying woman, and a scould, shall bee
set out to driue away the enemies.
51 There bee two things that grieue my heart:
the third maketh mee angry: a man of warre
that suffereth pouerty, and men of vnderstanding
that are not set by: and one that returneth from
righteousnesse to sinne: † the Lord prepareth such a
one for the sword.
29 A merchant shall hardly keepe himselfe from
doing wrong, and an huckster shall not bee freed
from sinne.

CHAP. XXVII.

*1 Of sinnes in selling and buying. 7 Our speech
will tell what is in vs. 16 A friend is lost by
discouering his secretes. 25 Hee that diggeth a pit
shall fall into it.*

MAny * haue sinned for ‖ a small matter: and
he that seeketh for abundance will turne his
eyes away.
2 * As a naile sticketh fast betweene the ioynings of the stones: so doeth sinne sticke close betweene buying and selling.
3 Vnlesse a man hold himselfe diligently in the
feare of the Lord, his house shall soone bee ouerthrowne
4 As when one sifteth with a sieue, the refuse remaineth: so the filth of man is in his ‖ talke.
5 The furnace prooueth the potters vessell: so
the * triall of a man is in his reasoning.
6 * The fruit declareth if the tree haue beene
dressed, so is the vtterance of a concett in the heart
of man.
7 Praise no man before thou heare him speake,
for this is the triall of men.
8 If thou followest righteousnes, thou shalt obtaine her, and put her on as a glorious long robe.
9 The birds will resort vnto their like, so will
truth returne vnto them that practise in her.
10 As the Lyon lyeth in wait for the prey: so
sinne for them that worke iniquity.
11 The discourse of a godly man is alwayes with
wisedome: but a foole changeth as the Moone.
12 If thou bee among the vnderstanding, obserue
the time: but bee continually among men of vnderstanding.
13 The discourse of fooles is irkesome, and their
sport is in the wantonnesse of sinne.
14 The talke of him that sweareth much, maketh
the haire stand vpright: and their braules make
one stop his eares.
15 The strife of the proud is bloodshedding, and
their reuilings are grieuous to the eare.
16 Whoso discouereth secrets, loseth his credit:
and shall neuer find friend to his mind.
17 Loue thy friend, and bee faithfull vnto him:
but if thou bewrayest his secrets, follow no more
after him.
18 For as a man hath destroyed his enemy: so
hast thou lost the loue of thy neighbour.
19 As one that letteth a bird go out of his hand,
so hast thou let thy neighbour goe, and shalt not get
him againe.
20 Follow after him no more, for he is too farre
off: he is as a Roe escaped out of the snare.
21 As for a wound it may be bound vp, and after
reuiling, there may be reconcilement: but hee that
bewrayeth secrets, is without hope.
22 Hee that * winketh with the eyes, worketh
euill: and hee that knoweth him, will depart
from him.
23 When thou art present, he will speake sweetly, and will admire thy words: but at the last hee
will ‖ writhe his mouth, and slander thy sayings.
24 I haue hated many things, but nothing like
him, for the Lord will hate him.
25 Whoso casteth a stone on high, casteth it on
his owne head, and a deceitfull stroke shall make
wounds.
26 Whoso diggeth a * pit, shal fall therein: and
he that setteth a trap, shalbe taken therein.
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‖ Or, thought. * Prou. 27. 21.
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Deut. 29. 29. Prou. 20. 19. 20. 24.
* Prou. 10. 10.
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CHAP. XXVIII.

1 *Against reuenge*, 8 *Quarrelling*, 10 *Angry, prouer must not deal*, 14 *A good man will not vndertake sureties*, 15 *and backbiting*. 24 *Of the euill tongue*.

HE that reuengeth shall find vengeance from the Lord, and hee will surely keepe his sinnes (in remembrance)
2 Forgiue thy neighbour the hurt that hee hath done vnto thee, so shall thy sinnes also be forgiuen when thou prayest.
3 One man beareth hatred against another, and doth he seeke pardon from the Lord?
4 Hee sheweth no mercy to a man, which is like himselfe: and doth he aske forgiuenes of his owne sinnes?
5 If he that is but flesh nourish hatred, who will entreat for pardon for his sinnes?
6 Remember thy end, and let enmity cease, [remember] corruption and death, and abide in the Commandements.
7 Remember the Commandements, and beare no malice to thy neighbour: [remember] the Couenant of the Highest, and winke at ignorance.
8 *Abstaine from strife, and thou shalt diminish thy sinnes: for a furious man will kindle strife.
9 A sinfull man disquieteth friends, and maketh debate among them that be at peace.
10 *As the matter of the fire is, so is it burneth: and as a mans strength is, so is his wrath, and according to his riches his anger riseth, and the stronger they are which contend, the more they will bee enflamed.
11 An hasty contention kindleth a fire, and an hasty fighting sheddeth blood.
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16 Who so hearkeneth vnto it, shall neuer find rest, and neuer dwell quietly.
17 The stroke of the whip maketh markes in the flesh: but the stroke of the tongue breaketh the bones.
18 Many haue fallen by the edge of the sword: but not so many as haue fallen by the tongue.
19 Well is he that is defended from it, and hath not passed through the venome thereof, who hath not drawne the yoke thereof: nor hath been bound in her bonds.
20 For the yoke thereof is a yoke of yron, and the bands thereof are bonds of brasse.
21 The death thereof is an euill death, the graue were better then it.
22 It shall not haue rule ouer them that feare God, neither shall they bee burnt with the flame thereof.
23 Such as forsake the Lord, shall fall into it, and it shall burne in them, and not be quenched, it shall bee sent vpon them as a Lyon, and deuoure them as a Leopard.
24 Looke that thou hedge thy possession about with thornes, and bind vp thy siluer and golde:
25 And weigh thy words in a ballance, and make a dore and barre for thy mouth.
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CHAP. XXIX.

1 *We must shew mercy and lend: 4 but the prouer must not deal*, 11 *and the lender*. 9 *Giue and lend*. 14 *A good man will not vndertake sureties*. 15 *Suretyship and vndertake for others is dangerous, 'tis better to liue at home, then to suffer wrong*.

HE that is mercifull, will lend to his neighbour: and hee that strengtheneth his hand, keepeth the commandements.
2 Lend to thy neighbour in time of his need, and pay thou thy neighbour againe in due season.
3 Keepe thy word, and deale faithfully with him, and thou shalt alwayes find the thing that is necessary for thee.
4 Many, when a thing was lent them, reckon it to be found, and put them to trouble that haue them.
5 Till hee hath receiued, hee will kisse a mans hand, and for his neighbours money he will speake submissely: but when he should repay he will draw out long the time, and returne words of griefe, and complaine of the time.
6 If hee prevaile, hee shall hardly receiue the halfe: and he will count as if hee had found it: but if not, hee hath depriued him of his money, and hath gotten him an enemy without cause: he payeth him with cursings and railings: and for honour, hee will pay him disgrace.
7 Many therefore haue refused to lend, for feare they should be defrauded, not for that they were euill, but for that they were poore.
8 Yet haue thou patience with a man in meane estate, and delay not to shew him mercy.
9 Helpe the poore for the Commandements sake, and turne him not away because of his pouertie.
10 Lose thy money for thy brother and thy friend, and let it not rust vnder a stone to no profit.
11 *Lay vp thy treasure according to the commandements of the most High, and it shall bring thee more profit then gold.
12 *Shut vp almes in thy store-house: and it shall deliuer thee from all affliction.
13 It shall fight for thee against thine enemies better then a mighty shield and strong speare.
14 An honest man is surety for his neighbour: but he that is impudent will forsake him.
15 Forget not the friendship of thy surety, for he hath giuen his life for thee.
16 A sinner will ouerthrow the good estate of his suretie.
17 And he that is of an vnthankefull mind will leaue him in [a] danger [that] did vsurp him.
18 Suretiship hath vndone many of good substance, and shaked them as a waue of the sea: mighty men hath it driuen from their houses, so that they were dered among strange nations.
19 A wicked man transgressing the Commandements of the Lord, shall fall into suretiship: he that vndertaketh and followeth other mens businesse for gaine, shall fall into suites.
20 Helpe thy neighbour as thy power, and beware that thou thy selfe fall into the same.

The *chiefe thing for life is water and bread, clothing, and an house to couer shame.
Better is the life of a poore man in a meane cottage, then delicate fare in another mans house.
Be it little or much, hold thee contented, that thou heare not the reproach of thy house.
For it is a miserable life to goe from house to house: for where thou art a stranger, thou dare not open thy mouth. Prou. 25. 24. 17.
Thou shalt entertaine and feede, and haue no thanke moreouer, thou shalt heare bitter words.
Come thou stranger, and furnish a table, and eate of that thou hast ready.
Giue place thou strangor, to an honourable man, my brother commeth to bee lodged, and I haue need of mine house.
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CHAP. XXX. Iobl. 13

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While he liued, he *saw and reioyced in him: and when he dyed, he was not sorrowfull.
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He that maketh too much of his son, shall bind vp his wounds, and his bowels will bee troubled at euery cry.
An horse not broken, becommeth head-strong: a child left to himselfe, will be wilfull.
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Bow downe his necke while he is young, and beate him on the sides while he is a child, least hee grow stubborne, and be disobedient vnto thee, and bring sorrow to thine heart. Deut. 21. 18 to 22.
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Better is the poore being sound and strong of constitution, then a rich man that is afflicted in his body.
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2 Watching care will not let a man slumber, as a sore disease breaketh sleepe.
3 The rich hath great labour in gathering riches together, and when he resteth, he is filled with his delicates.
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5 He that loueth gold shall not be instified: and hee that followeth corruption, shall haue enough thereof. Prou. 28. 20. 22. Iob. 15. 34
6 *Gold hath beene the ruine of many, and their destruction was present. *Chap. 8.2.
7 It is a stumbling block vnto them that sacrifice vnto it, and euery foole shall be taken therewith.
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9 Who is he? and we will call him blessed: for wonderfull things hath he done among his people.
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20 Sound sleepe commeth of moderate eating: he riseth early, and his wits are with him, but the paine of watching and choller, and pangs of the belly are with an vnsatiable man. 1 Sam. 25. 36. Esa. 56. 12
21 And if thou hast beene forced to eate, arise, goe forth vomit, and thou shalt haue rest. 1 Kin. 3. 14
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*Esay 5. 22. indeth 23.8. 25 Shew not thy * valiantnesse in wine, for wine hath destroyed many.

26 The furnace proueth the edge by dipping: so doth wine the hearts of the proud by drunkennesse.

27 Wine is as good as life to a man, if it be drunk moderately, what life is then to a man that is without wine? for it was made to make men glad.

28 Wine measurably drunke, and in season, bringeth gladnesse of the heart, and cheerefulnesse of the minde.

29 But wine drunken with excesse, maketh bitternesse of the mind, with brawling and quarrelling.

30 Drunkennesse increaseth the rage of a foole till he offend, it diminisheth strength, and maketh wounds.

31 Rebuke not thy neighbour at the wine, and despise him not in his mirth: giue him no despightfull words, and presse not vpon him with vrging him (to drinke.)

CHAP. XXXII.

1 Of his duty that is chiefe, or master in a feast. 14 Of the feare of God. 18 Of counsell. 20 Of a ragged and a sound way. 23 Trust not to any but to thy selfe and to God.

IF thou be made the master (of the feast) lift not thy selfe vp, but be among them as one of the rest: take diligent care for them, and so sit downe.

2 And when thou hast done all thy office, take thy place, that thou mayest be merry with them, and receiue a crowne for thy well ordering of the Feast.

3 Speake thou that art the elder, for it becommeth thee, but with sound iudgement, and hinder not musicke.

*Ec...3.7 ch1.20.7. 4 Powre not out words where * there is a musician, and shew not forth wisdome out of time.

5 A consort of musicke in a banket of wine, is as a signet of Carbuncle set in gold.

6 As a signet of an Emerand set in a work of gold, so is the melodie of musicke with pleasant wine.

7 Speake young man if there be need of thee: and yet scarcely when thou art twice asked.

8 Let thy speech be short, comprehending much in few words: be as one that knoweth, and yet holdeth his tongue.

*Iob 33. 9 9 *If thou be among great men, make not thy selfe equall with them, and when ancient men are in place, vse not many words.

10 Before the thunder goeth lightening: and before a shamefast man shall goe fauour.

11 Rise vp betimes, and be not the last: but get thee home without delay.

12 There take thy pastime, and doe what thou wilt: but sinne not by proud speech.

13 And for these things blesse him that made thee, and hath replenished thee with his good things.

14 Whoso feareth the Lord, will receiue his discipline, & they that seeke him early, shall find fauour.

15 He that seeketh the Law, shall be filled therewith: but the hypocrite will bee offended thereat.

16 They that feare the Lord, shal find iudgement, and shall kindle iustice as a light.

17 A sinfull man will not be reproued, but findeth an excuse according to his will.

18 A man of counsell will bee considerate, but a strange & proud man is not daunted with feare, euen when of himselfe he hath done without counsel.

19 Do nothing without aduice, and when thou hast once done, repent not.

20 Goe not in a way wherein thou mayest stumble nor against the stones.

21 Be not confident in a plaine way.

22 And beware of thine owne children.

23 * In every good worke trust thine own soule: for this is the keeping of the Commandement.

24 He that beleeueth in the Lord, taketh heed to the Commandement, and he that trusteth in him shall fare neuer the worse.

CHAP XXXIII.

1 The safety of him that feareth the Lord. 4 Of wise and the foolish. 7 Times and seasons are diuers. 10 Men are in the hands as clay in the hand of the potter. 18 Chiefly regard thy selfe. 24 Of seruants.

THere shall no euill happen vnto him that feareth the Lord, but in temptation euen then he will deliuer him.

2 A wise man hateth not the Law, but he that is an hypocrite therein, is as a ship in a storme.

3 A man of vnderstanding trusteth in the Law, and the Law is faithfull vnto him as an Oracle.

4 Prepare what to say, and so thou shalt be heard: and bind vp instruction, and then make answere.

5 The heart of the foolish is like a cart wheele, and his thoughts are like a rouling axeltree.

6 A stallion horse is as a mocking friend: he neigheth vnder euery one that sitteth vpon him.

7 Why doth one day excell another? seeing all the light of euery day in the yeere is of the Sunne.

8 By the knowledge of the Lord they were distinguished: and hee altered seasons and feasts.

9 Some of them hath he made high dayes, and hallowed them, and some of them hath he made ordinary dayes.

10 And all men are from the ground, and Adam was created of earth.

11 In much knowledge the Lord hath diuided them: and made their wayes diuers.

12 Some of them hath he blessed, and exalted: some of them hath he sanctified, and set neere vnto himselfe: but some of them hath he cursed, and brought low, and turned out of their places.

13 As * the clay is in the potters hand to fashion it at his pleasure: so man is in the hand of him that made him, to render to them as liketh him best.

14 Good is set against euill, and life against death: so is the godly against the sinner, and the sinner against the godly.

15 So looke vpon all the works of the most High, and there are two, and two one against another.

16 I awaked vp last of all, as one that gleaned after the grape-gatherers: by the blessing of the Lord I profited, and filled my wine-presse, like a gather of grapes.

17 *Consider that I laboured not for my selfe onely, but for all them that seeke learning.

18 Heare me, O ye great men of the people, and hearken with your eares, ye rulers of the congregation:

19 Giue not thy sonne, and wife, sister, nor friend power ouer thee while thou liuest, and neuer thy goods to another, lest it repent thee, and thou entreat for the same againe.

20 As long as thou liuest and hast breath in thee, giue not thy selfe ouer to any.

21 For better it is that thy children should sue to thee, then that thou shouldest stand to their courtesie.

22 In all thy workes keepe to thy selfe the preeminence: leaue not a staine in thine honour.

at the time when thou shalt end thy daies, and
in thy life, distribute thine inheritance.
Fodder, a wand, and burdens are for the Asse;
bread, correction, and worke for a seruant.
If thou set thy seruant to labour, thou shalt
rest: but if thou let him goe idle, hee shall
seek liberty.
A yoke and a toller do bow the necke: so are
paines and torments for an euill seruant.
Send him to labour, that he be not idle: for
idlenesse teacheth much euill.
Set him to worke as is fit for him: if hee bee
disobedient, put on more heauy fetters.
But be not excessiue toward any, and without
discretion doe nothing.
If thou haue a seruant, let him be vnto thee
as a child, because thou hast bought him † with
blood. Heb. 4.30.
If thou haue a seruant, intreat him as a bro-
ther: for thou hast need of him, as of thine owne
soule: if thou intreat him euill, and he run from
thee which way wilt thou goe to seeke him?

CHAP. XXXIIII.

Of dreames. 13 *The praise and blessing of them that feare the Lord.* 18 *The offering of the ancients, and of the poore innocent.*

The hopes of a man voyd of vnderstanding, are
vaine and false: and dreames lift vp fooles.
Whoso † regardeth dreames, is like him that
catcheth a shadow, & followeth after the wind.
The vision of dreames is the resemblance of
a thing to another, euen as the * likenesse of a
face to a face.
What can vncleane thing, what can be cleansed?
and from that thing which is false, what trueth
can come?
Diuinations, and soothsayings, and dreames
are vaine: and the heart fancieth as a womans
in trauaile.
If they be not sent from the most High in thy
visitation, † set not thy heart vpon them.
For dreames haue deceiued many, and they
haue failed that put their trust in them.
The Law shall be found perfect without lies:
and wisedome is perfection to a faithfull mouth.
A man that hath trauailed, knoweth many
things: and he that hath much experience will de-
clare wisedome.
He that hath no experience, knoweth little:
but he that hath trauailed, is full of prudence.
When I trauailed, I saw many things: and I
vnderstand more then I can expresse.
I was oft times in danger of death, yet I was
preserued because of these things.
The spirit of those that feare the Lord shall
liue: for their hope is in him that saueth them.
Whoso feareth the Lord, shall not feare nor
be faint, for he is his hope.
Blessed is the soule of him that feareth the
Lord: to whom doeth he looke? and who is his
strength?
For the eies of the Lord are vpon them that
loue him, he is their mighty protection and strong
stay, a defence from heat, and a couer from the Sun
at noone, a preseruation from stumbling, and a
help from falling;
He raiseth vp the soule, and lighteneth the
eies: giueth health, life, and blessing.
He that sacrificeth of a thing wrongfully
gotten, his offering is ridiculous: and † the gifts of
vniust men are not accepted.
The most High is not pleased with the offe-

rings of the wicked, neither is he pacified for sinne
by the multitude of sacrifices.
20 Whoso bringeth an offering of the goods of
the poore, doeth as one that killeth the sonne be-
fore his fathers eies.
21 The bread of the needy, is their life: he that
defraudeth him thereof, is a man of blood.
22 Hee that taketh away his neighbours liuing,
slayeth him: and he that * defraudeth the labourer
of his hire, is a blood-shedder.
23 When one buildeth, and another pulleth
downe, what profit haue they then but labour?
24 When one prayeth, and another curseth, whose
voyce will the Lord heare?
25 * He that washeth himselfe after the touching
of a dead body, if he touch it againe, what auaileth
his washing?
26 So is it with a man that fasteth for his sinnes, and
goeth again and doeth the same: who will heare
his prayer, or what doth his humbling profit him?

CHAP. XXXV.

1 *Sacrifices pleasing God.* 14 *The prayer of the fatherlesse, of the widow, & of the humble in spirit.*
20 *Acceptable mercy.*

HEe * that keepeth the law, bringeth offerings
enough: he that taketh heed to the comman-
dement, offereth a peace offering.
2 Hee that requiteth a good turne, offereth fine
flower: and he that giueth almes, sacrificeth praise.
3 To depart from wickednesse, is a thing plea-
sing to the Lord: and to forsake vnrighteousnesse,
is a propitiation.
4 * Thou shalt not appeare empty before the
Lord:
5 For all these things [are to be done] because of
the commandement.
6 The offering of the righteous maketh the Al-
tar fat, and the sweet sauour thereof is before the
most High.
7 The sacrifice of a iust man is acceptable, and
the memoriall thereof shall neuer be forgotten.
8 Giue the Lord his honour with a good eye, and
diminish not the first fruits of thy hands.
9 * In all thy gifts shew a cheerefull countenance
and ‖ dedicate thy tithes with gladnesse.
10 * Giue vnto the most High, according as hee
hath enriched thee, and as thou hast gotten, giue
with a cheerefull eye.
11 For the Lord recompenseth, and will giue
thee seuen times as much.
12 ‖ Doe not thinke to corrupt with gifts, * for
such he will not receiue: and trust not to vnright-
eous sacrifices, for the Lord is Iudge, and with him is
* no respect of persons.
13 He will not accept any person against a poore
man: but will heare the prayer of the oppressed.
14 He will not despise the supplication of the
fatherlesse: nor the widow when shee powreth out
her complaint.
15 Doeth not the teare run downe the widowes
cheekes? and is not her cry against him that causeth
them to fall?
16 He that serueth the Lord shalbe accepted with
fauour, and his prayer shall reach vnto the clouds.
17 The prayer of the humble pierceth the clouds:
and till it come nigh he wil not be comforted: and
will not depart till the most High shall behold to
iudge righteously, and execute iudgement.
18 For the Lord will not be slacke, neither will
the mighty be patient towards them, till hee hath
smitten in sunder the loynes of the vnmercifull
and repayed vengeance to the heathen: till he haue
taken

Ecclus. 4.1 to 11 Prou. 22. 22.
* Deut. 24.14,15. Iam. 5.4
* Num. 19.11,12.
* 1 Sam. 15.22. Ier. 7.3. 5,6,7.
* Exo. 23. 15. deut. 16.16.
* 2 Cor. 9.7. ‖ Or, set apart.
* Tob. 4.8 Prou. 19.6
‖ Or, diminish nothing of thy offerings. 40.16 12. 20.20
* Leuit. 22.21,22.
* Deut. 15.21.
* Deut. 10 17.2 chro. 19.7. iob. 34.19. wisd. 6.7. acts 10. 34. rom. 2.11. gal 2.6. eph. 6.9. col. 3. 25 1 pet. 1.17.

‖Or, cruell oppressors taken away the multitude of the ‖ proud, and broken the scepter of the vnrighteous:

19 Till hee haue rendred to euery man according to his deeds, and to the works of men according to their deuices, till hee haue iudged the cause of his people, and made them to reioyce in his mercy.

†Gr. faire 20 Mercy is †seasonable in the time of affliction, as clouds of raine in the time of drought.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 A prayer for the Church against the enemies thereof. 18 A good heart and a froward. 21 Of a good wife.

HAue mercy vpon vs, O Lord God of all, and behold vs,

2 And send thy feare vpon all the nations that seeke not after thee.

*Ierem. 10.25. 3 *Lift vp thy hand ‖against the strange nations, and let them see thy power.

‖Or, vpon 4 As thou wast sanctified in vs before them: so be thou magnified among them before vs.

5 And let them know thee, as wee haue knowne thee, that there is no God, but only thou, O God.

6 Shewe new signes, and make other strange wonders: glorifie thy hand and thy right arme, that they may set forth thy wondrous workes.

7 Raise vp indignation, and powre out wrath: take away the aduersary, and destroy the enemy.

†Gr wast 8 Make the time short; remember the †Couenant, and let them declare thy wonderfull workes.

9 Let him that escapeth, bee consumed by the rage of the fire: and let them perish that oppresse the people.

10 Smite in sunder the heads of the rulers of the heathen, that say; There is none other but we.

11 Gather all the tribes of Iacob together, and inherite thou them as from the beginning.

Exod. 4.22. 12 O Lord haue mercy vpon the people, that is called by thy Name: and vpon Israel, whom thou hast named thy first borne.

13 O be mercifull vnto Ierusalem thy holy city, the place of thy rest.

‖Or, that it may magnifie thine oracles. 14 Fill Sion with ‖ thy vnspeakeable Oracles and thy people with thy glory.

‖Or, prophecies. 15 Giue testimony vnto those that thou hast possessed from the beginning: and raise vp ‖ Prophets that haue beene in thy Name.

‖Or, supplyants. 16 Reward them that waite for thee, and let thy Prophets be found faithfull.

17 O Lord heare the prayer of thy ‖ seruants, according to the* blessing of Aaron ouer thy people, that all they which dwell vpon the earth, may know, that thou art the Lord, the eternall God.

*Num. 6.25. 18 The belly deuoureth all meates, yet is one meat better then another.

*Iob. 34.3. 19 As the palate tasteth diuers kinds of venison so doth an heart of vnderstanding falsespeeches.

20 A froward heart causeth heauinesse: but a man of experience will recompense him.

21 A woman will receiue euery man, yet is one daughter better then another.

22 The beauty of a woman cheereth the countenance, and a man loueth nothing better.

[Or, common, ‖ Or, to thrme. 23 If there be kindnesse, meekenes, and comfort in her tongue, she is not her husband like ‖ other men.

24 He that getteth a wife, beginneth ‖ a possession a helpe like vnto himselfe, and a pillar of rest.

25 Where no hedge is, there the possession is spoiled: and he that hath no wife, will wander vp and downe mourning.

26 Who will trust a thiefe well appointed, that skippeth from citie to city? so [who will beleeue] a man that hath no house, and lodgeth wheresoeuer the night taketh him?

CHAP. XXXVII.

1 How to know friends and counsellors. 16 Of discretion and wisedome. 27 Of a godly man blessed.

1 Euery friend saith, I am his friend also: but there is a friend which is onely a friend in name.

2 Is it not a griefe vnto death, when a companion and friend is turned to an enemy?

3 O wicked imagination, whence camest thou in to couer the earth with deceit?

4 There is a companion which reioyceth in the prosperity of a friend: but in the time of trouble will be against him.

5 There is a companion which helpeth a friend for the belly, and taketh vp the buckler against the enemy.

6 Forget not thy friend in thy mind, and be vnmindfull of him in thy riches.

7 Euery counseller extolleth counsell, but there is some that counselleth for himselfe.

8 Beware of a counseller, and know before what he needeth, (for hee will counsell for himself) least he cast the lot vpon thee:

9 And say vnto thee, Thy way is good: afterward hee stand on the other side, to see what shall befall thee.

10 Consult not with one that suspecteth thee, and hide thy counsell from such as enuy thee.

11 Neither consult with a woman touching her of whom she is iealous, neither with a coward in matters of warre, nor with a merchant concerning exchange, nor with a buyer of selling, nor with an enuious man of thankefulnesse, nor with a merciless man touching kindnesse, nor with a slothfull for any worke, nor with an hireling for yeere of finishing worke, nor with an idle seruant of much businesse: Hearken not vnto these in any matter of counsell

12 But be continually with a godly man whom thou knowest to keepe the Commandements of the Lord, whose minde is according to thy minde, and will sorrow with thee if thou shalt miscarry.

13 And let § counsell of thine owne heart stand: for there is no man more faithfull vnto thee then it.

14 For a mans minde is sometimes wont to tell him more then seuen watchmen that sit aboue on an high tower.

15 And aboue all this pray to the most High, that he will direct thy way in truth.

16 Let reason goe before euery enterprise, and counsell before euery action.

17 The countenance is a signe of change in the heart.

18 Foure manner of things appeare: good and euill, life and death: but the tongue ruleth them continually.

19 There is one that is wise, and teacheth many, and yet is vnprofitable to himselfe.

20 There is one that sheweth wisdome in words, and is hated: he shall be destitute of all food.

21 For grace is not giuen him from the Lord, because he is depriued of all wisedome.

22 Another is wise to himselfe, and the fruits of vnderstanding are commendable in his mouth.

23 A wise man instructeth his people, and the fruits of his vnderstanding faile not.

24 A wise man shall be filled with blessings: all they that see him, shall count him happy.

25 The dayes of the life of man may be numbered: but the dayes of Israel are innumerable.

26 A wise man shall inherite ‖ glory among his people, and his name shall be perpetuall.

My sonne, procue thy soule in thy life, and see
what is euill for it, and giue not that vnto it.
For all things are not profitable for all men,
neither hath euery soule pleasure in euery thing.
Be not vnsatiable in any dainty thing: nor
greedy vpon meats.
For † excesse of meats bringeth sicknesse, and
surfeiting wil turne into choller.
By surfetting haue many perished: but he that
taketh heed, prolongeth his life.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

*Honour due to the Physician, and why. 16 How
to vse and mourne for the dead. 24 The wise-
dom of the learned man and of the labourer, and
how with the vse of them both.*

Honour a Physician with the honour due vnto
him, for the vses which you may haue of him,
for the Lord hath created him.
For of the most high commeth healing, and he
shall receiue † honour of the King.
The skill of the Physician shall lift vp his
head, and in the sight of great men he shall be in
admiration. *Wisdom. 16. 12.*
The Lord hath created medicines out of the
earth, and he that is wise will not abhorre them.
Was not the water made sweet with wood,
that * vertue thereof might be knowne?
And he hath giuen men skill, that he might be
honored in his marueilous works.
With such doeth he heale [men] and taketh
away their paines.
Of such doth the Apothecary make a confecti-
on, and of his workes there is no end, and from him
is peace ouer all the earth.
My sonne, in thy sickenes be not negligent: but
pray vnto the Lord: and he will make thee whole.
Leaue off from sinne, and order thy hands a-
right, and cleanse thy heart from all wickednesse.
Giue a sweet sauour, and a memoriall of fine
flower: and make a fat offering, as [not being.
Then giue place to the Physician, for the Lord
hath created him: let him not goe from thee, for
thou hast need of him. *2 Chron. 16. 12.*
There is a time when in their hands there is
good successe.
For they shall also pray vnto the Lord, that he
would prosper that which they giue, for ease and
remedy to prolong life.
He that sinneth before his Maker, let him fall
into the hand of the Physician.
My sonne, let teares fall downe ouer the dead,
and begin to lament as if thou hadst suffered great
harme thy selfe: and then couer his body according
to the custome, and neglect not his burial.
Weepe bitterly, and make great moane, and
vse lamentation as he is worthy, and that a day or
two: lest thou be euill spoken of: and then com-
fort thy selfe for thy heauinesse
For of heauinesse commeth death, and the hea-
uinesse of the * heart breaketh strength.
In affliction also sorrow remaineth: and the
life of the poore is the curse of the heart.
Take no heauinesse to heart: driue it away,
and remember the last end.
Forget it not, for there is no turning againe:
thou shalt not doe him good, but hurt thy selfe.
Remember [my iudgement: for thine also
shall be so: yesterday for me, and to day for thee.
When the dead is at * rest, let his remem-
brance rest, and be comforted for him, when his
ghost is departed from him.
The wisedome of a learned man commeth by
opportunity of leisure: and he that hath little ba-
sinesse, shall become wise. *Ecclus. 7. 22.*
How can hee get wisedome that holdeth the
plough, and that glorieth in the goad, that driueth
oxen, and is occupied in their labours, and whose
talke is † of bullockes?
He giueth his mind to make furrowes, and is
diligent to giue the kine fodder.
So euery carpenter and workemaster, that la-
boureth night and day, and they that cut and graue
seales, and are diligent to make great variety, and
giue themselues to counterfeit imagery, and watch
to finish a worke.
The smith also sitting by the anuill, and con-
sidering the iron-worke, the vapour of the fire wa-
steth his flesh, and he fighteth with the heat of the
furnace: the noise of the hammer and the anuill is
euer in his eares, and his eyes looke still vpon the
patterne of the thing that he maketh, he setteth his
mind to finish his worke, and watcheth to polish
it perfectly.
So doth the potter sitting at his worke, and
turning the wheele about with his feet, who is al-
way carefully set at his worke, and maketh all his
worke by number.
He fashioneth the clay with his arme, and
[boweth downe his strength before his feet: hee
applieth himselfe to lead it ouer: and he is dili-
gent to make cleane the furnace.
All these trust to their hands: and euery one
is wise in his worke.
Without these cannot a city bee inhabited:
and they shall not dwell where they will, nor goe
vp and downe.
They shall not be sought for in publike coun-
sell, nor sit high in the congregation: they shall
not sit on the Iudges seat, nor vnderstand the sen-
tence of Iudgement: they cannot declare iustice
and iudgement, and they shall not be found where
parables are spoken.
But they will maintaine the state of the
world, and [all] their desire is in the worke of
their craft.

CHAP. XXXIX.

*1 A description of him that is truely wise. 12 An
exhortation to praise God for his workes, which are
good to the good, and euill to them that are euill.*

But he that giueth his mind to the Law of the
most High, and is occupied in the meditation
thereof, will seeke out the wisedome of all the an-
cient, and be occupied in prophecies.
He will keep the sayings of the renowmed men:
& where subtile parables are, he will be there also.
He will seeke out the secrets of graue senten-
ces, and be conuersant in darke parables.
He shall serue among great men, and appeare
before Princes: he will trauell thorow strange
countreys, for he hath tryed the good and the euill
among men.
He will giue his heart to resort early to the
Lord that made him, and will pray before the most
High, and will open his mouth in prayer, and make
supplication for his sinnes.
When the great Lord will, he shall be filled
with the spirit of vnderstanding: he shall powre
out wise sentences, and giue thankes vnto the Lord
in his prayer.
He shall direct his counsell and knowledge,
and in his secrets shall he meditate.
He shall shew forth that which he hath learn-
ed and shall glory in the Law of the Couenant of
the Lord.

9 Many

9 Many shall commend his vnderstanding, and so long as the world endureth, it shall not be blotted out, his memorial shall not depart away, and his name shall liue from generation to generation.

*Chap. 44.15. 10 * Nations shall shew forth his wisedome, and the congregation shall declare his praise.

11 If he die, he shall leaue a greater name then a thousand: and if he liue he shall ‖ increase it.

‖Or, gaine vnto it.

12 Yet I haue more to say which I haue thought vpon, for I am filled as the Moone at the full.

13 Hearken vnto me, ye holy children and budde forth as a rose growing by the ‖brooke of the field.

‖Or, riuers of water.

14 And giue ye a sweet sauour as frankincense, and flourish as a lilly, send forth a smell, and sing a song of praise, blesse the Lord in all his workes.

15 Magnifie his Name, and shew forth his praise with the songs of your lips, and with harpes, and in praising him you shall say after this manner:

16 *All the workes of the Lord are exceeding good, and whatsoeuer he commandeth shall be *accomplished* in due season.

*Gen. 1. 31. marke 7. 37.

17 And none may say, What is this? wherefore is that? for at time conuenient they shall all be sought out: at his commandement the waters stood as an heape, and at the words of his mouth the receptacles of waters.

18 At his commandement is done whatsoeuer pleaseth him, and none can hinder when he will saue.

19 The workes of all flesh are before him, and nothing can be hid from his eyes.

20 He seeth from euerlasting to euerlasting, and there is nothing wonderfull before him.

21 A man need not to say, What is this? Wherefore is that? for he hath made all things for their vses.

22 His blessing conered the dry land, as a riuer, and watered it as a flood.

23 As he hath turned the waters into saltnesse: so shall the heathen inherit his wrath.

*Ose. 14. 10. 24 * As his wayes are plaine vnto the holy, so are they stumbling blockes vnto the wicked.

25 For the good are good things created from the beginning: so euill things for sinners.

26 The principall things for the whole vse of mans life, are water, fire, yron and salt, floure of wheat, hony, milke, and the blood of the grape, and oyle, and clothing.

27 All these things are for good to the godly: so to the sinners they are turned into euill.

28 There be spirits that are created for vengeance, which in their fury lay on sore strokes, in the time of destruction they poure out their force, and appease the wrath of him that made them.

29 Fire, and haile, and famine, and death: all these were created for vengeance:

‖Or, vipers. 30 Teeth of wild beasts and scorpions, ‖ serpents and the sword punishing the wicked to destruction.

31 They shall reioyce in his commandement, and they shall be ready vpon earth when need is, and when their time is come, they shall not transgresse his word.

32 Therefore from the beginning I was resolued and thought vpon these things, and haue left them in writing.

33 All the workes of the Lord are good: and he will giue euery need full thing in due season.

34 So that a man cannot say, This is worse then that: for in time they shall all be well approoued.

35 And therefore praise ye the Lord with the whole heart and mouth, and blesse the Name of the Lord.

CHAP. XI.

1 *Many miseries in a mans life.* 12 *There of wrightes vnmeete, and the fruit of that wicked.* 14 *A vertuous wife, and an honest friendship.* 18 *heart, but the feare of the Lord is aboue all.* 23 *beggers life is hatefull.* etc. 4. 24. 30.

GReat * trauell is created for euery man, and a heauy yoke is vpon the sonnes of Adam, from the day that they goe out of their mothers wombe, till the day that they returne to the mother of all things.

2 Their imagination of things to come, and the day of death [trouble] their thoughts, and [cause] feare of heart.

3 From him that sitteth on a throne of glory, to him that is humbled in earth and ashes.

4 From him that weareth purple, and a crowne, ‖ vnto *him that is clothed with* lin[en] stock.

5 Wrath and enuie, trouble and vnquietnesse, feare of death, and anger and strife, and in the bed of rest vpon his bed, his night sleepe, doe change his knowledge.

6 A little or nothing is his rest, and after that he is in his sleepe, as in a day of keeping watch, troubled in the vision of his heart, as if he were escaped out of a battell:

7 When all is safe, he awaketh, and maruelleth that the feare was nothing.

8 [Such things happen] vnto all flesh both man and beast, and that is seuen fold more vpon sinners.

9 *Death and bloodshed, fire and sword, miseries, famine, tribulation, and the scourge.

10 These things are created for the wicked, and for their sakes came the *flood.

11 *All things that are of the earth, shall turne to the earth againe: and that which is [set] waters, doeth returne into the Sea.

12 All † bribery and iniustice shall be blotted out: but true dealing shall endure for euer.

13 The goods of the vniust shall be dryed vp like a riuer, and shall vanish with noise like a great thunder in raine.

14 While he openeth his hand, he shall reioyce, so shall transgressours come to nought.

15 The children of the vngodly shall not bring forth many branches: but are as vnclean roots vpon a hard rocke.

16 ‖ The weed growing vpon euery water and banke of a riuer, shall be pulled vp before all grasse.

17 Bountifulnesse is as a pleasant garden full of grace, and mercifulnesse endureth for euer.

18 To * labour and be content with that a man hath, is a sweet life: but he that findeth a treasure is aboue them both.

19 Children and the building of a city continue a mans name: but a blameles wife is counted aboue them both.

20 Wine and musicke reioyce the heart: but the loue of wisedome is aboue them both.

21 The Pipe and the Harpe haue a pleasant tune: but a pleasant tongue is aboue them both.

22 Thine eye desireth fauour and beauty: but more then both, corne which is [ripe].

23 A friend and companion neuer meet amisse: but aboue both is a wife with her husband.

24 Brethren and helpe are against the time of trouble: but almes shall deliuer more then them both.

25 Gold and siluer make the foot stand sure: but counsell is esteemed aboue them both.

26 Riches and strength lift vp the heart: but the feare of the Lord is aboue them both: there is

ant in the feare of the Lord, and it needeth not to
ke helpe.
27 The feare of the Lord is a ‖ fruitfull gar-
den, and coureth him aboue all glory.
28 My sonne, leade not a beggars life: for better
it is to die then to beg.
29 The life of him that dependeth on another
mans table, is not to be counted for a life: for hee
will defile himselfe with other mens meat, but a wise
man well nurtured will beware thereof.
30 Begging is sweet in the mouth of the sham-
lesse: but in his belly there shall burne a fire.

CHAP. XLI.

1 The remembrance of Death. 3 Death is not to
be feared. The vngodly shall be accursed. 11 Of an
euill and good name. 14 Wisedome is to be vttered.
16 Of what things we should be ashamed.

O Death, how bitter is the remembrance of thee
to a man that liueth at rest in his possessions,
vnto the man that hath nothing to vexe him, and
that hath prosperity in all things: yea, vnto him
that is yet able to receiue meat?
2 O Death, acceptable is thy sentence vnto the
needy, and vnto him whose strength faileth, that is
now in the last age, and is ‖ vexed with all things,
and to him that despaireth, and hath lost patience.
3 Feare not the sentence of death, remember
that haue beene before thee, & that come af-
ter: for this is the sentence of the Lord ouer all flesh.
4 And why art thou against the pleasure of the
most High? there is no inquisition in the grane,
whether thou haue liued ten, or an hundred, or a
thousand yeeres.
5 The children of sinners are abominable chil-
dren: and they that are conuersant in the dwelling
of the vngodly.
6 The inheritance of sinners children shall pe-
rish, and their posterity shall haue a perpetuall re-
proach.
7 The children will complaine of an vngodly fa-
ther, because they shall be reproached for his sake.
8 Woe be vnto you vngodly men, which haue
forsaken the Law of the most high God: for if you
encrease, it shall be to your destruction. Ecclus. 23.25
9 And if you bee borne, you shall be borne to a
curse: and if you die, a curse shall be your portion.
10 All that are of the earth shall turne to earth
againe: so the vngodly shall goe from a curse vnto
destruction.
11 The mourning of men is about their bodies:
but an ill name of sinners shall be blotted out.
12 Haue regard to thy name: for that shall con-
tinue with thee aboue a thousand great treasures
of gold. Prou. 22.1. & 28.14. Ecclus. 7.4.
13 A good life hath but few dayes: but a good
name endureth for euer. Ecclus. 27.10. & 41.13.
14 My children, keepe discipline in peace: for
wisedome that is hid, and a treasure that is not
seene, what profit is in them both?
15 A man that hideth his foolishnesse, is better
than a man that hideth his wisedome.
16 Therefore be ashamed according to my words:
for it is not good to reteine all shamefastnesse, neither
is it altogether approued in euery thing.
17 Be ashamed of whoredome before father and
mother, & of a lie before a prince & mighty man:
18 Of an offence before a iudge and Ruler, of
iniquity before a Congregation and people, of vn-
iust dealing before thy partner and friend:
19 And of theft in regard of the place where
thou abidest, and regard of the trueth of God,
and his Couenants, and to leane with thine elbow
vpon the meat, and of scorning to giue and take:
20 And of silence before them that salute thee,
and to looke vpon an harlot:
21 And to turne away thy face from thy kinsman,
or to take away a portion or a gift, or to gaze vpon
another mans wife,
22 Or to be ouer busie with his maid, and come
not neere her bed, or of vpbraiding speeches before
friends: and after thou hast giuen vpbraid not:
23 Or of iterating and speaking againe that
which thou hast heard, and of reuealing of secrets.
24 So shalt thou be truely shamefast, and find fa-
vour before all men.

CHAP. XLII.

1 Whereof we should not be ashamed. 9 Be care-
full of thy daughter. 13 Beware of a woman. 15
The workes and greatnesse of God.

OF these things bee not thou ashamed, and ac-
cept no person to sinne thereby.
2 Of the Law of the most High, and his Cove-
nant, and of iudgement to iustifie the vngodly:
3 ‖ Of reckoning with thy partners, and ‖ tra-
uellers: or of the ‖ gift of the heritage of friends:
4 Of exactnesse of ballance and weights: or of
getting much or little: Ecclus. 20.29.
5 And of merchants ‖ indifferent selling, of much
correction of children, and to make the side of an
euill seruant to bleed. Ecclus. 30.33.
6 Sure keeping is good where an euill wife is,
and shut vp where many hands are.
7 Deliuer all things in number and weight, and
put all in writing that thou ‖ giuest out, or recei-
uest in. Ecclus. 8.12. & 20.29. & 41.20.
8 Be not ashamed to ‖ informe the vnwise and
foolish, and extreame aged ‖ that contendeth with
those that are young, thus shalt thou be truely learn-
ed, and approued of all men liuing.
9 The father waketh for the daughter, when no
man knoweth, and the care for her taketh away
sleepe; when she is young, lest she passe away the
flowre of her age, and being married, lest shee
should be hated: Deut. 22.15. Prou. 7.6. & 31.18.
10 In her virginity lest she should be defiled and
gotten with child in her fathers house: and hauing
an husband, lest she should misbehaue her selfe: and
when she is married lest she should be barren.
11 Keepe a sure watch ouer a shamelesse daugh-
ter, lest she make thee a laughing stocke to thine
enemies and a by-word in the city, and a reproach
among the people, and make thee ashamed before
the multitude. Prou. 3.26. & 29.
12 Behold not euery bodies * beauty, and sit not * Chap.
in the midst of women. 25.23.
13 For from garments commeth a moth, and
from women wickednesse. *Gen.3.6.
14 Better is the iniquitie of a man, then a
courteous woman, a woman I say, which bringeth
shame and reproach.
15 I will now remember the workes of the Lord,
and declare the things that I haue seene: in the
words of the Lord are his workes.
16 The Sunne that giueth light, looketh vpon
all things: and the worke thereof is full of the
glory of the Lord.
17 The Lord hath not giuen power to the Saints
to declare all his marueilous workes, which the
Almighty Lord himself setled, that whatsoeuer is,
might be established for his glory.
18 He seeketh out the deepe and the heart, and
considereth their crafty deuices: for ‖ the Lord
knoweth all that may be knowne, and he beholdeth
the tokens of the world.

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Ecclus. 7.1. Ecclus. 7.1.
Ecclus. 14.8. Ecclus. 26.5.

19 He declareth the things that are past, and for to come, and reuealeth the steps of hidden things.

*Iob 41. 4.esd.31. 35. 20 No * thought escapeth him, neither any word is hidden from him.

21 He hath garnished the excellent works of his wisdome, and he is from euerlasting to euerlasting, vnto him may nothing be added, neither can he be diminished, and he hath no need of any counseller.

22 O how desirable are all his workes: and that a man may see euen a sparke.

23 All things liue and remaine for euer, for all vses, and they are all obedient.

24 All things are double one against another: and he hath made nothing vnperfit.

25 One thing establisheth the good of another: and who shall be filled with beholding his glory?

CHAP. XLIII.

1 The workes of God in heauen & in earth and in the sea, are exceeding glorious & wonderfull. 29 Yet God himselfe in his power and wisdome is aboue all.

THE pride of the height, the cleare firmament, the beauty of heauen with his glorious shew;

2 The Sunne when it appeareth, declaring at his rising a marueilous ‖ instrument, the worke of the most High.

‖ Or, vessel.

3 At noone it parcheth the country, and who can abide the burning heat thereof?

4 A man blowing a furnace is in works of heat, but the Sunne burneth the mountaines three times more, breathing out fiery vapours, and sending forth bright beames, it dimmeth the eyes.

5 Great is the Lord that made it, and at his commandement † it runneth hastily.

† Or, hot Hasted his course.

6 *He made the Moone also to serue in her season, for a declaration of times, and a signe of the world.

*Gene. 1.16.

7 'From the Moone is the signe of feasts, a light that decreaseth in her perfection.

*Exod. 23.15.

8 The moneth is called after her name, increasing wonderfully in her changing, being an instrument of the armies aboue, shining in the firmament of heauen.

9 The beauty of heauen, the glory of the Starres, an ornament giuing light in the highest places of the Lord.

10 At the commandement of the holy One, they will stand in their order, and neuer faint in their watches.

11 *Looke vpon the Rainebow, and praise him that made it, very beautifull it is in the brightnesse thereof.

*Gene. 9.13.

12 * It compasseth the heauen about with a glorious circle, and the hands of the most High haue bended it.

* Esay 40.22.

13 By his commandement he maketh the snow to fall apace, and sendeth swiftly the lightnings of his iudgement.

14 Through this the treasures are opened, and clouds flie forth as foules.

15 By his great power he maketh the clouds firme, and the hailestones are broken small.

16 At his sight the mountaines are shaken, and at his will the South wind bloweth.

17 The noise of the thunder maketh the earth to ‖ tremble: so doth the Northerne storme, and the whirlewind: as birds flying he scattereth the snow, and the falling downe thereof is as the lighting of grashoppers.

‖ Or, to grouel as a woman in her trauell.

18 The eye marueileth at the beauty of the whitenesse thereof, and the heart is astonished at the raining of it.

19 The hoare frost also as salt he powreth on the earth, and being congealed, ‖ it lyeth on the top of sharpe stakes.

20 When the cold North winde bloweth, and the water is congealed into yce, it abideth vpon euery gathering together of water, and clotheth the water as with a breastplate.

21 It deuoureth the mountaines and burneth the wilderneſſe, and consumeth the grasse as fire.

22 A present remedy of all is a mist comming ſpeedily: a dew ‖ comming after heate refresheth.

23 By his counsell he appeaseth the deepe, and planteth Ilands therein.

24 They that saile on the Sea, tell of the danger thereof, and when we heare it with our eares, we marueil thereat.

25 For * therein be strange and wondrous works, variety of all kinds of beasts and whales created.

26 By him the end of them hath prosperous successe, and by his word all things consist.

27 We may speake much, and yet come short: wherefore in summe he is all.

28 How shall we be able to magnifie him? for he is great aboue all his worke.

29 * The Lord is terrible and very great, and marueilous is his power.

30 When you glorifie the Lord, exalt him as much as you can: for euen yet will he far exceed, and when you exalt him, put forth all your strength, and be not weary: for you can neuer go far enough.

31 *Who hath seene him that he might tell vs? and who can magnifie him as he is?

32 There are yet hid greater things then these are, for we haue seene but a few of his workes.

33 For the Lord hath made all things, and to the godly hath he giuen wisedome.

CHAP. XLIIII.

1 The praise of certaine holy men. 18 Of Enoch. 17 Noah, 19 Abraham, 21 Isaac, 23 Iacob.

LET vs now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat vs.

2 The Lord hath wrought great glory by them through his great power from the beginning.

3 Such as did beare rule in their kingdomes, men renowned for their power, giuing counsell by their vnderstanding, and declaring prophecies:

4 Leaders of the people by their counsels, and by their knowledge of learning meete for the people, wise and eloquent in their instructions.

5 Such as found out musicall tunes, and recited ‖ verses in writing.

6 Rich men furnished with ability, liuing peaceably in their habitations.

7 All these were honoured in their generations, and were the glory of their times.

8 There be of them that haue left a name behind them, that their praises might be reported.

9 And some there be which haue no memorie, *who are perished as though they had neuer been, and are become as though they had neuer been borne, and their children after them.

10 But these were mercifull men, whose righteousnesse hath not been forgotten.

11 With their seed shall continually remain a good inheritance, and their children are within the couenant.

12 Their seed standeth fast, and their children for their sakes.

13 Their seed shall remaine for euer, and their glory shall not be blotted out.

14 Their bodies are buried in peace, but their name liueth for euermore.

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17 *The people will tell of their wisedome, and the Congregation will shew foorth their praise

18 Enoch pleased the Lord, and was translated, being an example of repentance to all generations.

19 *Noah was found perfect and righteous in the time of wrath, hee was taken in exchange (for the world) therefore was hee left as a remnant vnto the earth when the flood came.

20 An *everlasting Couenant was made with him, that all flesh should perish no more by the flood.

21 Abraham was a* great father of many people, in glory was there none like vnto him:

22 Who kept the Law of the most High, and was in Couenant with him, he established the Couenant in his flesh, and when hee was proued, hee was found faithfull.

23 Therefore he assured him by an *oath that he would blesse the nations in his seed, and that hee would multiply him as the dust of the earth, and exalt his seed as the starrs, and cause them to inherit from sea to sea, and from the riuer vnto the vttermost part of the land.

24 With *Isaac did hee establish likewise [for Abraham his fathers sake] the blessing of all men and the Couenant,

25 And made it rest vpon the head of Iacob. He acknowledged him in his blessing, and gaue him inheritage, and diuided his portions, among the twelue tribes did he part them.

CHAP. XLV.

1 *The praise of Moyses, 6 of Aaron. 23 and of Phinees.*

AND hee brought out of him a mercifull man, which found fauour in the sight of all flesh, even *Moyses beloued of God and men, whose memorie is blessed.

2 He made him like to the glorious Saints, and magnified him, so that his enemies stood in feare of him.

3 By his words he caused the wonders to cease, and he made him *glorious in the sight of Kings, and gaue him a commandement for his people, and shewed him part of his glory.

4 *Hee sanctified him in his faithfulnesse, and meekenesse, and chose him out of all men.

5 He made him to heare his voyce, and brought him into the darke cloud, and *gaue him commandements before his face, euen the Law of life and knowledge, that hee might teach Iacob his Couenant, and Israel his Iudgements.

6 Hee *exalted Aaron an holy man like vnto him, even his brother, of the tribe of Leui.

7 An everlasting Couenant he made with him, and gaue him the Priesthood among the people, and beautified him with comely ornaments, and clothed him with a robe of glory.

8 He put vpon him perfect glory, and strengthened him with † rich garments, with breeches, with long robe, and the Ephod:

9 And hee compassed him with Pomgranates, and with many golden bels round about, that as he went there might bee a *sound, and a noise made, that might be heard in the Temple, for a memorial to the children of his people.

10 With an holy garment, with gold, and blue silke, and purple, the worke of the embroiderer: with a breastplate of Iudgement, and with Vrim and Thummim.

11 With twisted scarlet, the worke of the cunning workeman, with precious stones, grauen like seales, and set in gold, the worke of the iewseller, with a writing engraued for a memoriall, after the number of the tribes of Israel

12 He set a crowne of gold vpon the mitre, wherein was engrauen, Holinesse an ornament of honour, a costly worke, the desires of the eyes, goodly and beautifull.

13 Before him there were none such, neither did euer any stranger put them on, but only his children, and his children's children perpetually

14 Their sacrifices shall bee wholly consumed, euery day twice continually.

15 Moyses consecrated him, and anointed him with holy oyle, this was appointed vnto him by an euerlasting Couenant and to his seed so long as the heauens should remaine, that they should minister vnto him, and execute the office of the Priesthood, and blesse the people in his Name.

16 He chose him out of all men liuing to offer sacrifices to the Lord, incense and a sweet sauour for a memorial, to make reconciliation for his people.

17 *He gaue vnto him his Commandements, and authority in the Statutes of iudgements, that hee should teach Iacob the Testimonies, and informe Israel in his Lawes

18 *Strangers conspired together against him, and maligned him in the wildernesse euen the men that were of Dathan and Abirons side, and the Congregation of Core with fury and wrath.

19 This the Lord saw and it displeased him, and in his wrathfull indignation were they consumed: he did wonders vpon them to consume them with the fiery flame.

20 *But he made Aaron more honourable, and gaue him an heritage, and diuided vnto him the first fruits of the increase, especially, hee prepared bread in abundance:

21 For they eate of the sacrifices of the Lord, which he gaue vnto him and his seed:

22 *Howbeit in the land of the people hee had no inheritance: neither had any portion among the people: for the Lord himselfe is his portion and inheritance.

23 *The third in glory is Phinee, the sonne of Eleazar, because he had zeale in the feare of the Lord, and stood vp with good courage of heart, and when the people were turned backe, made reconciliation for Israel.

24 Therefore was there a Couenant of peace made with him, that he should bee the chiefe of the Sanctuary, & of his people, and that he and his posterity should haue the dignity of the Priesthood for euer.

25 According to the Couenant made with Dauid sonne of Iesse of the tribe of Iuda, that the inheritance of the King should be to his posterity alone: so the inheritance of Aaron should also bee vnto his seed.

26 God giue you wisedome in your heart, to iudge his people in righteousnesse, that their good things be not abolished, and that their glory may endure for euer.

CHAP XLVI

1 *The praise of Iohua, 9 of Caleb, 13 of Samuel.*

IESUS the son of Nave was valiant in the wars, and was the successour of Moyses in prophesies, who according to his name was made great, for the saning of the elect of God, and taking vengeance of the enemies that rose vp against them, that hee might set Israel in their inheritance.

2 *How great glory got he when he did lift vp his hands, and stretched out his sword against the cities?

3 Who before him so stood to it? for the Lord him-

himselfe brought his enemies vnto him.

4 Did not the Sunne goe backe by his meanes? and was not one day as long as two?

5 Hee called vpon the most high Lord, when the enemies pressed vpon him on euery side, and the great Lord heard him.

6 And with hailestones of mighty power, hee made the battell to fall violently vpon the nations, and in the descent (of Bethoron) he destroyed them that resisted, that the nations might know all their strength, because he fought in the sight of the Lord, and he followed the mighty One.

7 In the time of Moyses also, he did a worke of mercy, he and Caleb the sonne of Iephunne; in that they withstood the Congregation, and withheld the people from sinne, and appeased the wicked murmuring.

* Numb. 26.65. deu. 35.36

8 * And of sixe hundred thousand people on foot, they two were preserued to bring them into the heritage, euen vnto the land that floweth with milke and hony.

9 The Lord gaue strength also vnto Caleb, which remained with him vnto his old age, so that he entred vpon the high places of the land, and his seed obtained it for an heritage.

10 That all the children of Israel might see that it is good to follow the Lord.

11 And concerning the Iudges, euery one by name whose heart went not a whoring, nor departed from the Lord, let their memory be blessed.

* Chap. 49.11.

12 Let their bones * flourish out of their place: and let the name of them that were honoured, bee continued vpon their children.

* 1 Sam. 1.1. & 16.19.

13 * Samuel the Prophet of the Lord, beloued of his Lord, established a kingdome, and anointed Princes ouer his people.

14 By the Law of the Lord hee iudged the Congregation, and the Lord had respect vnto Iacob.

15 By his faithfulnesse he was found a true Prophet, and by his word hee was knowne to be faithfull in vision.

16 Hee called vpon the mighty Lord, when his enemies pressed vpon him on euery side, when hee offered the * sucking Lambe.

* 1 Sam. 7.9.

17 And the Lord thundred from heauen, and with a great noyse made his voyce to be heard.

18 And hee destroyed the rulers of the Tyrians, and all the Princes of the Philistines.

* 1 Sam. 12.3.

19 And before his long sleepe, he made * protestations in the sight of the Lord and his anointed, I haue not taken any mans goods, so much as a shoe, and no man did accuse him.

* 1 Sam. 28.18,19.

20 And after his death hee * prophesied, and shewed the King his end, and lift vp his voyce from the earth in prophecie, to blot out the wickednesse of the people.

CHAP. XLVII.

1 *The praise of Nathan,* 2 *Of Dauid,* 12 *Of Salomon, his glory, and infirmities,* 23 *Of his end and punishment.*

* 2 Sam. 12.1.

AND after him rose vp Nathan to * prophesie, in the time of Dauid.

2 As is the fat taken away from § peace offering, so was Dauid chosen out of the children of Israel.

[Or, he smote Lyons.

3 He ‖ played with lyons as with kids, and with * beares as with lambes.

* 1 Sam. 17.34.

4 * Slew he not a gyant when hee was yet but yong? and did he take away reproach from the people, when he lifted vp his hand with the stone in the sling, and beat downe the boasting of Goliah?

* 1 Sam. 17.49. 50,51.

5 For he called vpon the most high Lord, and he gaue him strength in his right hand to slay that mighty warrior, and set vp the horne of his people.

6 So the people honoured him with * ten thousands, and praised him in the blessings of the Lord, in that he gaue him a crowne of glory.

7 For he destroyed the enemies on euery side, and * brought to nought the Philistines his aduersaries, and brake their horne in sunder vnto this day.

8 In all his workes he praised the holy One most High with words of glory, with his whole heart he sung songs, and loued him that made him.

9 He set singers also before the * Altar, that by their voyces they might make sweete melody, and daily sing praises in their songs.

10 He beautified their feasts, and set in order the solemne times, ‖ vntill the end, that they might praise his holy Name, and that the Temple might sound from morning.

11 The Lord tooke away his sinnes, and exalted his * horne for euer: hee gaue him a couenant of Kings, and a throne ‖ of glory in Israel.

12 After him rose vp a wise sonne, and for his sake he dwelt at large.

13 * Solomon reigned in a peaceable time, and was honoured: for God made all quiet round about him, that hee might build an house in his Name, and prepare his Sanctuary for euer.

14 * How wise wast thou in thy youth, and as a flood filled with vnderstanding?

15 Thy soule couered the whole earth, and thou filledst it with darke parables.

16 Thy Name went farre vnto the Iles, and for thy peace thou wast beloued.

17 The countreys marueiled at thee for thy songs and prouerbes, and parables, and interpretation.

18 By the Name of the Lord God, which is the Lord God of Israel, thou didst * gather gold as tinne, and didst multiply siluer as lead.

19 * Thou didst bow thy loines vnto women, ‖ by thy body thou wast brought into subiection.

20 Thou didst staine thy honour, and pollute thy seed, so that thou broughtest wrath vpon thy children, and wast grieued for thy folly.

21 * So the kingdome was diuided, and of Ephraim ruled a rebellious kingdome.

22 * But the Lord will neuer leaue off his mercy, neither shall any of his workes perish, neither will he abolish the posterity of his elect, and the seed of him that loueth him he will not take away, therefore he gaue a remnant vnto Iacob, and out of him a root vnto Dauid.

23 Thus rested Solomon with his fathers, and his seed he left behind him Roboam, euen the foolishnesse of the people, and one that had no vnderstanding, who * turned away the people through his counsell: there was also Ieroboam the sonne of Nabat, who * caused Israel to sinne, and shewed Ephraim the way of sinne:

24 And their sins were multiplyed exceedingly, that they were driuen out of the land.

25 For they sought out all wickednesse, till vengeance came vpon them.

CHAP. XLVIII.

1 *The praise of Elias,* 12 *of Elyseus,* 17 *of Ezekias.*

THen stood vp * Elias the Prophet as fire, and his word burnt like a lampe.

2 He brought a sore famine vpon them, and in his zeale he diminished their number.

3 By the word of the Lord he * shut vp the heauen, * and also three times brought downe fire.

4 O Elias, how wast thou honoured in thy wonderous deeds! and who may glory like vnto thee?

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3 *Who didst raise vp a dead man from death, and his soule from the ‖ place of the dead, by the word of the most High.

4 *Who brought'est Kings to destruction, and honorable men from their ‖ bed.

5 Who heard'est the rebuke of the Lord in Sinai, and in Horeb the iudgement of vengeance.

6 ‖ Who anointed Kings to take vengeance, and Prophets to succeed after him:

7 *Who was taken vp in a whirlewind of fire, and in a charet of fiery horses:

8 Who wast ordained *for reproofes in their times to pacifie the wrath of the Lords iudgement, before it brake foorth into fury, and to turne the heart of the father vnto the sonne, and to ‖ restore the tribes of Iacob.

9 Blessed are they that saw thee, and ‖ slept in loue, for we shall surely liue.

10 *Elias it was, who was couered with a whirlewinde: and Elizeus was filled with his spirit: so that he liued, he was not moued [with the presence] of any Prince, neither could any bring him into subiection.

11 ‖ No word could ouercome him, and *after his death his body prophesied.

12 He did wonders in his life, and at his death his workes were marueilous.

13 For all this the people repented not, neither departed they from their sins, *till they were spoiled, and caried out of their land, and were scattered ouer all the earth: yet there remained a small people, and a ruler in the house of Dauid:

14 Of whom, some did that which was pleasing vnto God, and some multiplied sinnes.

15 *Ezekias fortified his city, and brought in water into the middest thereof: hee digged the hard rocke with yron, and made wels for waters.

16 In his time *Sennacherib came vp, and sent his officers, and lift vp his hand against Sion, and boasted proudly.

17 Then trembled their harts and hands, and they were in paine as women in trauell.

18 But they called vpon the Lord which is mercifull, and stretched out their handes towards him, and immediately the holy One heard them out of heauen, & deliuered them by the ministery of Esay.

19 *He smote the hoste of the Assyrians, and his Angel destroyed them.

20 For Ezekias had done the thing that pleased the Lord, and was strong in the wayes of Dauid his father, as Esay the Prophet, who was great and faithfull in his vision, had commanded him.

21 *In his time the Sun went backward, and he lengthened the Kings life.

22 He saw by an excellent Spirit what should come to passe at the last, and hee comforted them that mourned in Sion.

23 He shewed what should come to passe for euer, and secret things or euer they came.

CHAP. XLIX.

1 The praise of Iosias, 4 Of Dauid and Ezekias, of Ieremy, 8 Of Ezechiel, 11 Zorobabel, 12 Iesus the sonne of Iosedec, 13 Of Nehemiah, Enoch, Ioseph, Sem, and Adam.

1 He remembreth the loue of *Iosias is like the composition of the perfume that is made by the Art of the Apothecarie: it is sweet as honey in all mens mouthes, and as musicke at a banquet of wine.

2 He behaued himselfe vprigtly in the correction of the people, and tooke away the abominations of iniquity.

3 *He directed his heart vnto the Lord, and in the time of the vngodly he established the worship of God.

4 All except Dauid, and Ezekias, and Iosias were desectiue: for they forsooke the Law of the most High [euen] the Kings of Iuda failed.

5 Therefore he gaue their ‖ power vnto others and their glory to a strange nation.

6 *They burnt the chosen citie of the Sanctuary, and made the streets desolate, ‖ according to the prophecie of Ieremias:

7 For they *intreated him euill, who nenertheless was a Prophet * sanctified in his mothers wombe, that he might root out, and afflict, and destroy, and that he might build vp also and plant.

8 *It was Ezechiel who saw the glorious vision, which was shewed him vpon the chariot of the Cherubims.

9 For he *made mention of the enemies vnder [the figure of] the raine, and ‖ dereacted them that went righe.

10 And of the twelue Prophets, let the memoriall be blessed: and let their bones flourish againe out of their place: for they comforted Iacob, and deliuered them by assured hope.

11 *How shall we magnifie Zorobabel? euen he was as a signet on the right hand.

12 *So was Iesus the son of Iosedec: who in their time builded the house, and set vp an holy Temple to the Lord, which was prepared for euerlasting glory.

13 * And among the elect was Neemias, whose renowme is great, who raised vp for vs the walls that were fallen, and set vp the gates and the bars, and raised vp our ruines againe.

14 But vpon the earth was no man created like Enoch. for he was taken from the earth.

15 Neither was there a man borne like vnto *Ioseph, a gouernour of his brethren, a stay of the people, whose bones were regarded of the Lord.

16 * Sem and Seth were in great honour among men, and so was Adam aboue euery liuing thing in the creation.

CHAP. L.

1 Of Simon the sonne of Onias. 22 How the people were taught to praise God and pray. 27 The conclusion.

1 SImon *the high Priest, the son of Onias, who in his life repayred the house againe, and in his dayes fortified the Temple:

2 And by him was built from the foundation the double height, the high fortresse of the wall about the Temple.

3 In his dayes the *Cisterne to receiue water, being in compasse as the Sea, was couered with plates of brasse.

4 He tooke care of the Temple that it should not fall: and fortified the citie against besieging.

5 How was hee honoured in the midst of the people in his comming out of the † Sanctuary.

6 He was as the morning star in the midst of a cloud, and as the Moone at the full.

7 As the Sun shining vpon the Temple of the most High, and as the Rainbow giuing light in the bright clouds.

8 And as † flowers of Roses in the spring of yere, as Lillies by the riuers of waters, & as the branches of the frankincense tree, in the time of Summer.

9 As fire and incense in the censer, and as a vessel of beaten gold, set with all maner of precious stones

10 And as a faire Olive tree budding forth fruit, and as a Cypresse tree which groweth vp to the clouds.

11 When he put on the robe of honour, and was clothed

‖ Or, horne.

* 2. Kings 25. 9.

‖ Or, by the hand of Jeremy.

* Iere. 38. 6.

* Ier. 1. 5.

* Esek. 1. 5. 10.

* Ezek. 13. 11. & 38. 11. 16. & 46. 12.

ezra 3. 2. hag. 2. 24.

‖ Or, did good.

* Zac. 3. 1.

ezra 3. 2. hag. 1. 12. and 2. 3.

* Ne. 7. 1.

* Gen. 5. 24. heb.

* Gen. 41. 44. & 42. 6. & 47. 8.

* Gen. 5. 3. and 21. 10.

* 2 Mac. 3. 4.

* 1. Kings 7. 23.

† Gr. the house of the vaile.

clothed with the perfection of glory, when he went vp to the holy Altar, he made the garment of holinesse honourable.

12 When he tooke the portions out of the Priests hands, he himselfe stood by the hearth of the Altar, compassed with his brethren round about, as a young Cedar in Libanus, & as palme trees compassed they him round about.

13 So were all the sonnes of Aaron in their glory, and the oblations of the Lord in their hands before all the Congregation of Israel.

14 And finishing the seruice at the Altar, that he might adorne ſ offering of ſ most high Almighty,

15 He stretched out his hand to the cup, and powred of the blood of the grape, he powred out at the foot of the Altar, a sweet smelling sauour vnto the most high King of all.

16 Then shouted the sonnes of Aaron, and sounded the siluer Trumpets, and made a great noise to be heard, for a remembrance before the most High.

Or, trumpets beaten forth with the hammer.

17 Then all the people together hasted, and fell downe to the earth vpon their faces to worship their Lord God Almighty the most High.

18 The singers also sang praises with their voyces, with great variety of sounds was there made sweet melodie.

19 And the people beſought the Lord the most High by prayer before him, that is merciful, till the solemnitie of the Lord was ended, and they had finished his seruice.

20 Then he went downe, and lifted vp his hands ouer the whole Congregation of the children of Israel, to giue the blessing of the Lord with his lips, and to reioyce in his Name.

21 And they bowed themselues downe to worship the second time, that they might receiue a blessing from the most High.

22 Now therefore blesse ye the God of all, which onely doth wonderous things euery where, which exalteth our dayes from the wombe, and dealeth with vs according to his mercy.

23 He grant vs ioyfulnesse of heart, and that peace may be in our dayes in Israel for euer.

24 That he would confirme his mercy with vs, and deliuer vs at his time.

25 That there two manner of nations which my heart abhorreth and the third is no nation.

26 They that sit vpon the mountaine of Samaria, and they that dwell among the Philistines, and that foolish people that dwell in Sichem.

27 Iesus the sonne of Sirach of Ierusalem hath written in this booke the instruction of vnderstanding and knowledge, who out of his heart powred foorth wisedome.

28 Blessed is he that shall be exercised in these things, and he that layeth them vp in his heart shall become wise.

29 For if he doe them, he shall be strong to all things, for the light of the Lord leadeth him, who giueth wisedome to the godly: blessed be the Lord for euer, Amen. Amen.

CHAP. LI.

¶ A prayer of Iesus the sonne of Sirach.

I Will thanke thee, O Lord and King, and praise thee, O God my Sauiour, I doe giue praise vnto thy Name:

2 For thou art my defender and helper, and hast preserued my body from destruction, and from the snare of the slanderous tongue, and from the lips that forge lies, and hast beene mine helper against mine aduersaries.

3 And hast deliuered me according to the multitude of thy mercies, and greatnes of thy Name from the † teeth of them that were ready to deuoure me and out of ſ hands of such as sought after my life and from the manifold afflictions which I had:

4 From the choaking of fire on euery side, and from the midst of the fire which I kindled not:

5 From the depth of the belly of hell, from an vncleane tongue and from lying words:

6 By an accusation to the King from an vnrighteous tongue: my soule drew neere euen vnto death, my life was neere to the hell beneath.

7 They compassed me on euery side, and there was no man to helpe me: I looked for the succour of men, but there was none.

8 Then thought I vpon thy mercy, O Lord, and vpon thy acts of old, how thou deliuerest such as wait for thee, and sauest them out of the hands of the enemies:

9 Then lifted I vp my supplication from the earth, and prayed for deliuerance from death.

10 I called vpon the Lord, the Father of my Lord, that hee would not leaue me in the dayes of my trouble, and in the time of the proud, when there was no helpe.

11 I will praise thy Name continually, and will sing praise with thanksgiuing, and so my prayer was heard:

12 For thou sauedst me from destruction, and deliueredst me from the euill time: therefore will I giue thankes and praise thee, and blesse thy Name, O Lord.

13 When I was yet yong, or ere I went abroad, I desired wisdome openly in my prayer.

14 I prayed for her before the Temple, and will seeke her out, euen to the end:

15 Euen from the first, till the grape was ripe hath my heart delighted in her, my foot went right way, from my youth vp sought I after her.

16 I bowed downe my eare a little, and receiued her, and gate much learning.

17 I profited therein, (therefore) will I ascribe the glory vnto him that giueth me wisedome.

18 For I purposed to doe after her, and earnestly I followed that which is good, so shall I not be confounded.

19 My soule hath wrestled with her, and in my doings I was exact: I spread forth my hands to the heauen aboue, and bewailed my ignorance of her.

20 ſ I directed my soule vnto her, & I found her pureness, I have had my heart ioyned with her from the beginning therefore shall I not be forsaken.

21 My † heart was troubled in seeking her: therefore have I gotten a good possession.

22 The Lord hath given me a tongue for my reward, and I will praise him therewith.

23 Draw neere vnto me you vnlearned, and dwell in the house of learning.

24 Wherefore are you slow, and what say you to these things, seeing your soules are very thirsty?

25 * I opened my mouth and said, Buy her for your selues without money.

26 Put your necke vnder the yoke, and let your soule receiue instruction, it is hard at hand to find.

27 * Behold with your eyes how that I haue but little labor, and haue gotten vnto me much rest.

28 Get learning with a great summe of money, and get much gold by her.

29 Let your soule reioyce in his mercy, and be not ashamed of his praise.

30 Worke your worke betimes, and in his time he will giue you your reward.

¶ BARVCH. Nehemia. 3. 20.

CHAP. I.

1 Baruch wrote a booke in Babylon. 5 The Iewes sent wyth it the reuenue of it. 7 They send money with the booke to the brethren at Hierusalem.

1 AND these are the words of the booke which Baruch the son of Nerias, the sonne of Maasias, the son of Sedecias, the sonne of Asadias, the sonne of Chelcias, wrote in Babylon,

2 In the fifth yeere, and in the seuenth day of the month, what time as the Caldeans tooke Ierusalem, and burnt it with fire.

3 And Baruch did read the words of this booke in the hearing of Iechonias, the sonne of Ioachim, King of Iudah, and in the eares of all the people, that came to [heare] the booke,

4 And in the hearing of the Nobles, and of the King sonne, and in the hearing of the Elders, and of all the people from the lowest vnto the highest, euen of all them that dwelt at Babylon by the riuer Sud.

5 Whereupon they wept, fasted, and prayed before the Lord.

6 They made also a collection of money, according to euery mans power.

7 And they sent it to Ierusalem, vnto Ioachim the high Priest, the sonne of Chelcias, son of Salom, and to the Priests, and to all the people which were found with him at Ierusalem,

8 At the same time when he receiued the vessels of the house of the Lord, that were carryed out of the Temple, to returne them into the land of Iuda the tenth day of the moneth Siuan [namely] siluer vessels, which Sedecias the son of Iosias, King of Iudah had made,

9 After that Nabuchodonosor King of Babylon had caried away Iechonias, and the Princes, and the [Captiues, and the mighty men, and the people of the land from Ierusalem, and brought them vnto Babylon:

10 And they said, Behold, wee haue sent you money to buy you burnt offerings, and sinne offerings, and incense, and prepare ye Manna, and offer vpon the Altar of the Lord our God,

11 And pray for the life of Nabuchodonosor King of Babylon, and for the life of Balthasar his sonne, that their dayes may bee vpon earth as the dayes of heauen.

12 And the Lord will giue vs strength, and lighten our eyes, and wee shall liue vnder the shadow of Nabuchodonosor King of Babylon, and vnder the shadow of Balthasar his sonne, and wee shall serue them many dayes, and find fauour in their sight.

13 Pray for vs also vnto the Lord our God, (for we haue sinned against the Lord our God, and vnto this day the fury of the Lord, and his wrath is not turned from vs)

14 And yee shall read this booke, which we haue sent vnto you; to make confession in the house of the Lord, vpon the feasts and in time dayes.

15 And yee shall say, To the Lord our God belongeth righteousnesse, but vnto vs the confusion of faces, as it is come to passe this day vnto them of Iuda, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem,

16 And to our Kings and to our Princes, and to our Priests, and to our Prophets, and to our Fathers.

17 For we haue *sinned before the Lord,

18 And disobeyed him, and haue not hearkened vnto the voyce of the Lord our God, to walke in the Commandements that he gaue vs openly:

19 Since the day that the Lord brought our forefathers out of the land of Egypt, vnto this present day, we haue beene disobedient vnto the Lord our God, and wee haue beene negligent in not hearing his voyce.

20 *Wherefore the euils cleaued vnto vs, and the curse which the Lord appointed by Moyses his seruant, at the time that he brought our Fathers out of the Land of Egypt, to giue vs a land that floweth with milke and honey, like as it is to see this day. * Deut. 28.15.

21 Neuertheles, wee haue not hearkened vnto the voyce of the Lord our God, according vnto all the words of the Prophets, whom he sent vnto vs.

22 But euery man followed the imagination of his owne wicked heart, to serue strange gods, and to doe euill in the sight of the Lord our God.

CHAP. II.

The prayer and confession which the Iewes at Babylon made, and sent in that booke vnto the brethren in Ierusalem.

THerefore the Lord hath made good his word, which hee pronounced against vs, and against our Iudges that iudged Israel, and against our kings, and against our Princes, and against the men of Israel and Iuda,

2 To bring vpon vs great plagues, such as neuer happened vnder the whole heauen, as it came to passe in Ierusalem, according to the things that were written in the Law of Moyses;

3 That a man should *eate the flesh of his owne sonne, and the flesh of his owne daughter. * Deut. 28.53.

4 Moreouer, hee hath deliuered them to bee in subiection to all the Kingdomes that are round about vs, to be a reproach and desolation among all the people round about where the Lord hath scattered them.

5 Thus wee † were cast downe, and not exalted, because wee haue sinned against the Lord our God, and haue not beene obedient vnto his voyce. † Greeke, were beneath, and not aboue.

6 *To the Lord our God appertaineth righteousnesse: but vnto vs and to our Fathers open shame, as appeareth this day. * Chap. 1.15.

7 For all these plagues are come vpon vs, which the Lord hath pronounced against vs;

8 Yet haue we not prayed before the Lord, that we might turne euery one from the imaginations of his wicked heart.

9 Wherefore the Lord watched ouer vs for euill, and the Lord hath brought it vpon vs: for the Lord is righteous in all his workes which hee hath commanded vs.

10 Yet we haue not hearkened vnto his voyce, to walke in the Commandements of the Lord, which hee hath set before vs.

11 * And now, O Lord God of Israel, that hast brought thy people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and high arme, and with signes, and with wonders, and with great power, and hast gotten thy selfe a Name, as appeareth this day: * Dan. 9.15.

12 O Lord our God, wee haue sinned, wee haue done vngodly, we haue dealt vnrighteously in all thine ordinances.

13 Let thy wrath turne from vs: for wee are but a few left among the heathen, where thou hast scattered vs.

14 Heare our prayers, O Lord, and our petitions, and deliuer vs for thine owne sake, and giue vs fauour in the sight of them which haue led vs away:
15 That all the earth may know that thou art the Lord our God; because Israel and his posterity
† Greeke, thy Name is called vpon Israel. is † called by thy Name.
16 O Lord, * looke downe from thy holy house, and consider vs; bow downe thine eare, O Lord, to heare vs.
17 * Open thine eyes, and behold: for the dead that are in the graues, whose † soules are taken from their bodies, will giue vnto the Lord neither
* Deut. 26.15. esa.63.15 * Psal.6.5 & 115.17. esai.38. 18,19. praise nor righteousnesse.
18 But the soule that is greatly vexed, which goeth stooping and feeble, and the eyes that faile, and the hungry soule will giue thee praise and righteousnesse, O Lord.
† Gr. spirit or life * Dan.9. 20. * Ier.27. 7,8. 19 * Therefore wee doe not make our humble supplication before the, O Lord our God, for the righteousnesse of our Fathers and of our Kings.
20 For thou hast sent out thy wrath and indignation vpon vs, as thou hast spoken by thy seruants the Prophets, saying,
21 * Thus saith the Lord, Bow downe your shoulders to serue the King of Babylon: so shall ye remaine in the land that I gaue vnto your fathers,
22 But if ye will not heare the voyce of the Lord to serue the King of Babylon,
23 I will cause to cease out of the cities of Iuda, and from without Ierusalem, the voyce of mirth, and the voice of ioy: the voice of the bridegroome, and the voyce of the bride, and the whole land shall be desolate of inhabitants.
24 But we would not hearken vnto thy voyce, to serue the King of Babylon: therefore hast thou made good the words that thou spakest by thy seruants the Prophets: namely that the bones of our Kings, and the bones of our fathers should be taken out of their places.
25 And loe, they are cast out to the heate of the day, and to the frost of the night, and they dyed in great miseries, by famine, by sword, and by pestilence.
26 And the house which is called by thy Name [hast thou laid waste] as it is to be seene this day for the wickednesse of the house of Israel, and the house of Iuda.
27 O Lord our God, thou hast dealt with vs after all thy goodnesse, and according to all that great mercy of thine.
28 As thou spakest by thy seruant Moses, in the day when thou diddest command him to write thy Law before the children of Israel, saying,
a Leuit. 26.14. deut.28. 15. 29 * If ye will not heare my voyce, surely † this very great multitude shall be turned into a small [number] among the nations, where I will scatter them.
† Greeke, this great seruice. 30 For I knew that they would not heare me, because it is a stiffe-necked people: but in the land of their captiuities, they shall ‖ remember themselues,
‖ Or, come to themselues. 31 And shall know that I am the Lord their God: for I giue them an heart, and eare to heare.
32 And they shall praise me in the land of their captiuity, and thinke vpon my Name,
† Greeke, backe. 33 And returne from their stiffe † necke, and from their wicked deeds; for they shall remember the way of their fathers which sinned before the Lord.
34 And I will bring them againe into the land which I promised with an oath vnto their Fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob, and they shall be lords of it, and I will increase them, and they shall not bee diminished.
35 And I will make an euerlasting couenant with them, to be their God, and they shall be my people: and I will no more driue my people of Israel out of the land, that I haue giuen them.

CHAP. III.

3 The rest of their prayer and confession, contained in that booke which Baruch wrote and sent to Hierusalem. 30 Wisdome was shewed first to Iacob, and was seene vpon the earth.

O Lord Almighty, God of Israel, the soule in anguish, the troubled spirit cryeth vnto thee.
2 Heare, O Lord, and haue mercy: for thou art mercifull, and haue pity vpon vs, because wee haue sinned before thee;
3 For thou endurest for euer, and wee perish vtterly.
4 O Lord Almighty, thou God of Israel, heare now the prayers of the dead Israelites, and of their children, which haue sinned before thee, and not hearkened vnto the voyce of thee their God: for the which cause these plagues cleaue vnto vs.
5 Remember not the iniquities of our forefathers: but thinke vpon thy power and thy Name now at this time.
6 For thou art the Lord our God, and thee, O Lord, will we praise.
7 And for this cause thou hast put thy feare in our hearts, to the intent that wee should call vpon thy Name, and praise thee in our captiuity: for * wee haue called to mind all the iniquity of our forefathers that sinned before thee.
8 Behold wee are yet this day in our captiuity, where thou hast scattered vs, for a reproach and a curse, and to be subiect to payments, according to all the iniquities of our fathers, which departed from the Lord our God.
9 Heare Israel the commandements of life: giue eare to vnderstand wisedome.
10 How hapneth it, Israel, that thou art in thine enemies land, that thou art waxen old in a strange countrey, that thou art defiled with the dead?
11 That thou art counted with them that go downe into the graue?
12 Thou hast forsaken the fountaine of wisdome.
13 For if thou hadst walked in the way of God, thou shouldest haue dwelled in peace for euer.
14 Learne where is wisedome, where is strength, where is vnderstanding, that thou mayest know also where is length of dayes, and life, where is the light of the eyes, and peace.
15 Who hath found out her *place? or who hath come into her treasures?
16 Where are the princes of the heathen become, and such as ruled the beasts vpon the earth?
17 They haue had their pastime with the fowles of the ayre, and they that hoarded vp siluer and gold, wherein men trust & made no end of their getting.
18 For they that wrought in siluer, and were so carefull, and whose workes are vnsearchable.
19 They are vanished, and gone downe to the graue, and others are come vp in their steds.
20 Young men haue seene light, and dwelt vpon the earth: but the way of knowledge haue they not knowne,
21 Nor vnderstood the pathes thereof, nor laid hold of it, their children were farre off from that way.
22 It hath not been heard of in Chanaan; neither hath it beene seene in Theman.
23 The Agarenes that seeke wisedome vpon earth, the merchants of Merran, and of Theman, the authors of fables, and searchers out of vnderstanding:

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of these haue knowne the way of wisdome, or
membred her pathes.

O Israel, how great is the house of God? and
large is the place of his possession?

Great, and hath no end: high, and vnmea-
able.

There were the giants, famous from the be-
ning, that were of so great stature, and so ex-
in warre.

Those did not the Lord chuse, neither gaue he
way of knowledge vnto them.

But they were destroyed, because they had
n foolish, and perished through their owne
olishnesse.

Who hath gone vp into heauen, and taken
, and brought her downe from the clouds?

Who hath gone ouer the Sea, and found her,
will bring her for pure gold?

No man knoweth her way, nor thinketh of
path.

But he that knoweth all things, knoweth her,
hath found her out with his vnderstanding: he
prepared the earth for euermore, hath filled
with foure footed beasts.

He that sendeth forth light, and it goeth: cal-
him againe, and it obeyeth him with feare.

The starres shined in their watches, and reioy-
when hee calleth them, they say, Here wee be,
with cheerefulnesse they shewed light vnto
that made them.

This is our God, and there shall none other be
ounted of in comparison of him.

He hath found out all the way of knowledge,
hath giuen it vnto Iacob his seruant, and to
Israel his beloued.

Afterward did he shew himselfe vpon earth,
conuersed with men.

CHAP. IIII.

The booke of Commandements, is that Wisedome, which was commended in the former Chapter. The Iewes are mooued to patience, and to hope for deliuerance.

This is the Booke of the Commandements of
God, and the Law that endureth for euer:
they that keepe it shall come to life; but such
leaue it, shall die.

Turne thee, O Iacob, and take hold of it:
walke in the presence of the light thereof, that
mayest be illuminated.

Giue not thine honour to another, nor the
ings that are profitable vnto thee, to a strange
tion.

O Israel, happy are wee: for things that are
asing to God, are made knowne vnto vs.

Be of good cheere, my people, the memoriall
Israel.

Yee were sold to the nations, not for [your]
struction but because you moued God to wrath,
were deliuered vnto the enemies.

For yee prouoked him that made you, by * sa-
ficing vnto deuils, and not to God.

Yee haue forgotten the euerlasting God, that
ught you vp; and yee haue grieued Ierusalem,
nursed you.

For when she saw the wrath of God comming
you, she said, Hearken, O ye that dwell about
on: God hath brought vpon me great mourning.

For I saw the captiuity of my sonnes and
ghters, which the Euerlasting brought vpon
em.

With ioy did I nourish them: but sent them
y with weeping and mourning.

12 Let no man reioyce ouer me a widow, and forsaken of many, who for the sinnes of my children am left desolate: because they departed from the Law of God.

13 They knew not his Statutes, nor walked in the wayes of his Commandements, nor trode in the pathes ‖ of discipline in his righteousnesse.

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14 Let them that dwell about Sion, come, and remember ye the captiuity of my sons and daughters, which the Euerlasting hath brought vpon them.

15 For he hath brought a nation vpon them from farre a shamelesse nation, and of a strange language, who neither reuerenced old man, nor pitied child.

16 These haue carried away the deare beloued children of the widow, and left her that was alone desolate without daughters.

17 But what can I helpe you?

18 For he that brought these plagues vpon you, will deliuer you from the hands of your enemies.

19 Goe your way, O my children, goe your way: for I am left desolate.

20 I haue put off the clothing of ‖ peace, and put vpon me the sackcloth of my prayer, I will cry vnto the Euerlasting ‖ * in my dayes.

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21 Be of good cheere, O my children cry vnto the Lord: and hee shall deliuer you from the power and hand of the enemies.

22 For my hope is in the Euerlasting, that he will saue you, and ioy is come vnto me from the holy One, because of the mercy which shall come vnto you, from the Euerlasting, our Sauiour.

23 For I sent you out with mourning and weeping: but God will giue you to me againe with ioy and gladnesse for euer.

24 Like as now the neighbors of Sion haue seene your captiuitie: so shall they see shortly your saluation from our God, which shall come vpon you with great glory and brightnes of the Euerlasting.

25 My children, suffer patiently the wrath that is come vpon you from God: for thine enemy hath persecuted thee: but shortly thou shalt see his destruction, and shalt tread vpon his necke.

26 My ‖ delicate ones haue gone rough wayes, and were taken away as a flocke caught of the enemies.

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27 Be of good comfort, O my children, and cry vnto God: for you shall bee remembred of him that brought these things vnto you.

28 For as it was your mind to goe astray from God: so being returned seeke him ten times more.

29 For he that hath brought these plagues vpon you, shall bring you euerlasting ioy againe with your saluation.

30 Take a good heart, O Ierusalem: for hee that gaue thee that name will comfort thee.

31 Miserable are they that afflicted thee, and reioyced at thy fall.

32 Miserable are the cities which thy children serued: miserable is she that receiued thy sonnes.

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34 For I will take away the reioycing of her great multitude, and her pride shall be turned into mourning.

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THen Azarias stood vp and prayed on this manner, and opening his mouth in the midst of the fire, said,

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3 For thou art righteous in all the things that thou hast done to vs: yea, true are all thy workes; thy wayes are right and * all thy iudgments truth.

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4 In all the things that thou hast brought vpon vs, and vpon the holy citie of our fathers, euen Ierusalem, thou hast executed true iudgement: for according to truth and iudgement, didst thou bring all these things vpon vs because of our sinnes.

5 For we haue sinned, and committed iniquity, departing from thee.

6 In all things haue wee trespassed, and not obeyed thy Commandements, nor kept them, neither done as thou hast commanded vs, that it might goe well with vs.

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27 Then the three as out of one mouth, praised, glorified, and blessed God in the furnace, saying:

28 Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers, and to be praised and exalted aboue all for euer.

29 And blessed is thy glorious and holy Name, and to be praised and exalted aboue all for euer.

30 Blessed art thou in the Temple of thine holy glory: and to be praised and glorified aboue all for euer.

31 Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and sittest vpon the Cherubims: and to be praised and exalted aboue all for euer.

32 Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy Kingdome: and to be praised and glorified aboue all for euer.

33 Blessed art thou in the firmament of heauen, and aboue all to be praised and glorified for euer.

34 O all ye workes of the Lord, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him [aboue all for euer.

35 * O ye heauens, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

36 O ye Angels of the Lord, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

37 O all ye waters that be aboue the heauen, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

38 O all ye powers of the Lord, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

39 O ye Sun and Moone, blesse ye the Lord, praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

40 O ye starres of heauen, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

41 O euery shoure and dew, blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

42 O all ye windes blesse ye the Lord: praise and exalt him aboue all for euer.

70 O ye fire and heat, bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe
and exalt him aboue all for euer.
71 O ye Winter and Summer, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
72 O ye dewes and ſtormes of ſnow, bleſſe ye the
Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
73 O ye nights and dayes, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
74 O ye light and darkneſſe, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
75 O ye yce and cold, bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe
and exalt him aboue all for euer.
76 O ye froſt and ſnow, bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe
and exalt him aboue all for euer.
77 O ye lightnings and clouds, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
78 O let the earth bleſſe the Lord: praiſe and
exalt him aboue all for euer.
79 O ye mountaines and little hils, bleſſe ye the
Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
80 O all ye things that grow on the earth, bleſſe
ye the Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue all for
euer.
81 O ye fountaines, bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe and
exalt him aboue all for euer.
82 O ye Seas and Riuers, bleſſe yee the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
83 O ye whales and all that moue in the waters,
bleſſe yee the Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue
all for euer.
84 O all ye foules of the † aire, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
85 O all ye beaſts and cattell, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
86 O ye children of men, bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe
and exalt him aboue all for euer
87 O Iſrael, bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe and exalt
him aboue all for euer.
88 O ye Prieſts of the Lord, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
89 O ye ſeruants of the Lord, bleſſe ye the Lord:
praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer.
90 O yee ſpirits and ſoules of the righteous,
bleſſe ye the Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue all
for euer.
91 O ye ‖ holy and humble men of heart, bleſſe
ye the Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue all for
euer.
92 O Ananias, Azarias, and Miſael, bleſſe yee
the Lord: praiſe and exalt him aboue all for euer:
For hee hath deliuered vs from ‖ hell, and ſaued
vs from the hand of death, and deliuered vs out
of the middeſt of the furnace, [and] burning
flame: euen out of the mids of the fire hath he deli-
uered vs.
93 O giue thankes vnto the Lord, becauſe hee is
gracious: for his mercy endureth for euer.
94 O all yee that worſhip the Lord, bleſſe the
God of gods, praiſe him, and giue him thanks: for
his mercy endureth for euer.

† Gr. Ether.

‖ Or, Saints.

‖ Or, grant

¶ The hiſtory of Suſanna, ſet apart from the beginning of Daniel, becauſe it is not in Hebrew, as neither the narration of † Bel and the Dragon.

1 *Two Iudges hide themſelues in the garden of Ioacim: 5 they haue their pleaſure of her: 28 which when they could not obtaine, they accuſe, and cauſe her to be condemned for adultery. 46 Daniel examineth the matter againe, and findeth the two Iudges falſe.*

THere dwelt a man in Babylon, called Ioacim.

2 And he tooke a wife whoſe name was Suſanna, the daughter of Chelci-as, a very faire woman, and one that feared the Lord.

3 Her parents alſo were righteous, and taught their daughter according to the Law of Moſes.

4 Now Ioacim was a great rich man, and had a faire garden ioyning vnto his houſe, and to him reſorted the Iewes: becauſe he was more honourable than all others.

5 The ſame yeere were appointed two of the ancients of the people to be Iudges: ſuch as the Lord ſpake of, that wickednes came from Babylon from ancient Iudges, who ſeemed to gouerne the people.

6 Theſe kept much at Ioacims houſe, and all that had any ſuites in law came vnto them.

7 Now when the people departed away at noone, Suſanna went into her husbands garden to walke.

8 And the two Elders ſaw her going in every day and walking: ſo that their luſt was inflamed toward her.

9 And they peruerted their owne mind, and turned away their eies, that they might not looke vnto heauen, nor remember iuſt iudgements.

10 And albeit they both were wounded with her loue: yet durſt not one ſhew another his griefe.

11 For they were aſhamed to declare their luſt, that they deſired to haue to doe with her.

12 Yet they watched diligently from day to day to ſee her.

13 And the one ſaid to the other, Let vs now goe home: for it is dinner time.

14 So when they were gone out, they parted the one from the other, and turning back againe, they came to the ſame place, and after that they had aſked one another the cauſe, they acknowledged their luſt: then appointed they a time both together, when they might find her alone.

15 And it fell out as they watched a fit time, ſhe went in † as before, with two maids onely, and ſhe was deſirous to waſh her ſelfe in the garden: for it was hot.

† Gr. as yeſterday and the o day before

16 And there was no body there ſaue the two Elders that had hid themſelues, and watched her.

17 Then ſhe ſaid to her maids, Bring me oyle and waſhing balls, and ſhut the garden doores, that I may waſh me.

18 And they did as ſhe bad them, and ſhut the garden doores, and went out themſelues at ‖ priuy doores to fetch the things that ſhe had commanded them: but they ſaw not the Elders, becauſe they were hid.

‖ Or, ſide doores.

19 Now when the maides were gone forth, the two Elders roſe vp, and ran vnto her, ſaying,

20 Beholde, the garden doores are ſhut that no man can ſee vs, and we are in loue with thee, therefore conſent vnto vs and lie with vs.

21 If thou wilt not, we will beare witneſs againſt thee, that a yong man was with thee: and therefore thou

thou didst send away thy maids from thee.

22 Then Susanna sighed, and said, I am straited on every side: for if I doe this thing, it is death vnto me: and if I doe it not, I cannot escape your hands.

23 It is better for me to fall into your hands, and not doe it: then to sinne in the sight of the Lord.

24 With that Susanna cryed with a loud voyce: and the two Elders cryed out against her.

25 Then ran the one, & opened the garden doore.

26 So when the seruants of the house heard the cry in the garden, they rushed in at a priuy doore, to see what was done vnto her.

27 But when the Elders had declared their matter, the seruants were greatly ashamed: for there was neuer such a report made of Susanna.

28 And it came to passe the next day, when the people were assembled to her husband Ioacim, the two Elders came also full of mischieuous imagination against Susanna to put her to death.

29 And said before the people Send for Susanna, the daughter of Chelcias, Ioacims wife. And so they sent.

30 So she came with her father and mother, her children, and all her kinred.

31 Now Susanna was a very delicate woman, and beauteous to behold.

32 And these wicked men commanded to vnconer her face, (for she was couered) that they might bee filled with her beauty.

33 Therefore her friends, and all that saw her, wept.

34 Then the two Elders stood vp in the midst of the people, and laid their hands vpon her head.

35 And she weeping, looked vp towards heauen: for her heart trusted in the Lord.

36 And the Elders said, As we walked in the garden alone, this woman came in with two maids, & shut the garden doores, and sent the maids away.

37 Then a young man who there was hid, came vnto her, and lay with her.

38 Then we that stood in a corner of the garden, seeing this wickednesse, ran vnto them.

39 And when we saw them together, the man we could not hold: for he was stronger then we, and opened the doore, and leaped out.

40 But hauing taken this woman, we asked who the yong man was: but she would not tell vs: these things doe we testifie.

41 Then the assembly beleeued them, as those that were the Elders and iudges of the people: so they condemned her to death.

42 Then Susanna cryed out with a loud voice, and said, O euerlasting God, that knowest the secrets, and knowest all things before they be:

43 Thou knowest that they haue borne false witnesse against me, and behold, I must die: whereas I neuer did such things as these men haue maliciously inuented against me.

44 And the Lord heard her voyce.

45 Therefore when shee was led to bee put to death, the Lord raised vp the holy spirit of a yong youth, whose name was Daniel,

Daniel

46 Who cried with a loud voyce: I am cleare from the blood of this woman.

47 Then all the people turned them towards him, and said: What meane these words that thou hast spoken?

48 So he standing in the midst of them, said, Are ye such fooles, ye sonnes of Israel, that without examination, or knowledge of the truth, ye haue condemned a daughter of Israel?

49 Returne againe to the place of iudgement: for they haue borne false witnesse against her.

50 Wherefore all the people turned againe with haste, and the Elders said vnto him, Come sit downe among vs, and shew it vs, seeing God hath giuen thee the honour of an Elder.

51 Then said Daniel vnto them, Put these two aside, one farre from another, and I will examine them.

52 So when they were put asunder one from the other, he called one of them, and said vnto him, O thou that art waxen old in wickednesse: now are thy sinnes which thou hast committed afore time, come [to light.]

53 For thou hast pronounced false iudgement, and hast condemned the innocent, and hast let the guilty goe free, albeit the Lord saith, The innocent and righteous shalt thou not slay.

54 Now then if thou hast seene her, tell me, vnder what tree saw-st thou them companying together? who answered, Vnder a Prinstick tree.

55 And Daniel said, Very well; thou hast lied against thine owne head: for euen now the Angel of God hath receiued the sentence of God, to cut thee in two.

56 So he put him aside, and commanded to bring the other, and said vnto him, O thou seed of Chanaan, and not of Iudah, beauty hath deceiued thee, and lust hath peruerted thine heart.

57 Thus haue ye dealt with the daughters of Israel, and they for fear companied with you: but the daughter of Iudah would not abide your wickednesse.

58 Now therefore tell me, Vnder what tree didst thou take them companying together? who answered, Vnder a holme tree.

59 Then said Daniel vnto him, Well! thou hast also lyed against thine owne head: for the Angel of God waiteth with the sword to cut thee in two, that he may destroy you.

60 With that all the assembly cryed with a loud voyce, and praised God, who saueth those that trust in him.

61 And they rose against the two Elders, (for Daniel had conuicted them of false witnesse by their owne mouth,)

62 And according to the law of Moses, they vnto them, in such wise as they had deuised to doe to their neighbour: and they put them to death. Thus the innocent blood was saued the same day.

63 Therefore Chelcias and his wife praised God for their daughter Susanna, with Ioacim her husband, and all the kinred, because there was no dishonesty found in her.

64 From that day forth was Daniel had in great reputation in the sight of the people.

1 Kings. 3. 16 to end. 24. 25. 26.

THE HISTORY OF THE DESTRVCTION OF Bel and the Dragon, cut off from the end of Daniel.

†Gr. Bele Dragon.

The fraud of Bels Priests is discouered by Da-
niel and the Dragon slaine which was worshipped
Daniel is preserued in the Lions den. 41 The King
acknowledge the God of Daniel, and casteth
enimies into the same denne.

1 ¶ Nd King Astyages was gathered to his fathers, and Cyrus of Persia receiued his kingdome.

2 And Daniel ‖ conuersed with the King, and was honoured aboue his friends.

3 Now the Babylonians had an idole called Bel, and there were spent vpon him euery day, twelue great measures of fine flowre, and fourty sheepe, and fixe vessels of wine.

4 And the King worshipped it, and went dayly to adore it: but Daniel worshipped his owne God. Then the King said vnto him, Why doest not thou worship Bel?

5 Who answered, and said, Because I may not worship idoles made with hands, but the liuing God, who hath created the heauen and the earth, and hath souerainty ouer all flesh.

6 Then said the King vnto him, Thinkest thou not that Bel is a liuing god? seest thou not how much he eateth and drinketh euery day?

7 Then Daniel smiled, and said, O King, be not deceiued: for this is but clay within, and brasse without, and did neuer *eat or drinke any thing.

8 So the King was wroth, and called for his Priests, and said vnto them, If ye tell me not who this that deuoureth these expences, ye shall die.

9 But if ye can certifie me that Bel deuoureth them, then Daniel shall die: for he hath spoken blasphemy against Bel. And Daniel said vnto the King, Let it be according to thy word.

10 (Now the priests of Bel were threescore and ten, beside their wiues and children.) and the King went with Daniel into the temple of Bel.

11 So Bels priests said, Loe, we goe out: but thou O King, set on the meat, and make ready the wine, and shut the doore fast, and seale it with thine owne signet:

12 And to morrow when thou comest in, if thou findest not that Bel hath eaten vp all, we will suffer death, or else Daniel that speaketh falsly against vs.

13 And they little regarded it: for vnder the table they had made a priuy entrance, whereby they vsed to come in continually, and consumed those things.

14 So when they were gone forth, the King set the meat before Bel. Now Daniel had commanded his seruants to bring ashes, and those they strewed throughout all the temple, in the presence of the King alone: then went they out, and shut the doore and sealed it with the Kings signet, and so departed.

15 Now in the night came the Priests with their wiues and children (as they were wont to doe) and did eat and drinke vp all.

16 In the morning betime the King arose, and Daniel with him.

17 And the King said, Daniel, are the seales vnbroken? And he said, Yea, O King, they be whole.

18 ¶ And assoone as he had opened the doore, the King looked vpon the table, and cryed with a loud voice, Great art thou, O Bel, and with thee is no deceit at all.

19 Then laughed Daniel, and held the King that he should not go in, and said, Behold now the pauement, and marke well whose foot steps are these.

20 And the King said, I see the footsteps of men, women and children: and then the King was angry.

21 And tooke the Priests with their wiues and children, who shewed him the priuy doores where they came in, and consumed such things as were vpon the table.

22 Therefore the King slew them, and deliuered Bel into Daniels power, who destroyed him and his temple.

23 ‖ And in that same place there was a great Dragon, which they of Babylon worshipped. ‖ *Some adde this title, of the Dragon.*

24 And the King said vnto Daniel, Wilt thou also say that this is of brasse? loe, he liueth he eateth and drinketh, thou canst not say that he is no liuing god: therefore worship him.

25 Then said Daniel vnto the King, I will worship the Lord my God: for he is the liuing God.

26 But giue me leaue, O King, and I shall slay this Dragon without sword or staffe. The King said, I giue thee leaue.

27 Then Daniel tooke pitch, fat, and haire, and did seeth them together, and made lumps thereof: this he put in the Dragons mouth, and so the Dragon burst in sunder: and Daniel said. ‖ Loe, these are the gods you worship. ‖ *Or, Behold what you worship.*

28 When they of Babylon heard that, they tooke great indignation, and conspired against the King saying. The King is become a Iew, and he hath destroyed Bel, he hath slaine the Dragon, and put the Priests to death.

29 So they came to the King, and said, Deliuer vs Daniel, or else we will destroy thee and thine house.

30 Now when the King saw that they pressed him sore, being constrained, he * deliuered Daniel vnto them: * Dan. 6.16.

31 Who cast him into the lyons denne, where he was sixe dayes.

32 And in the den there were seuen lyons, and they had giuen them euery day ‖ two carcasses, and two sheepe: which then were not giuen to them, to the intent they might deuoure Daniel. ‖ *Or, two slaues.*

33 Now there was in Iury a Prophet called, Habacuc, who had ‖ made pottage, and had broken bread in a bowle, and was going into the field, for to bring it vnto the reapers. ‖ *Or, sod.*

34 But the Angel of the Lord said vnto Habacuc, Goe, carry the dinner that thou hast into Babylon, vnto Daniel, who is in the lyons den.

35 And Habacuc said, Lord, I neuer saw Babylon: neither doe I know where the den is.

36 Then the Angel of the Lord tooke him by the crowne, and * bare him by the haire of his head, and through the vehemency of his spirit, set him in Babylon ouer the den. * Ezek. 8.3.

37 And Habacuc cryed, saying, O Daniel, Daniel, * take the dinner which God hath sent thee. * 1. King 17.4.

38 And Daniel said, Thou hast remembred me, O GOD: neither hast thou forsaken them that seeke thee, and loue thee.

39 So Daniel arose, and did eat: and the Angel of the Lord set Habacuc in his owne place againe immediatly.

40 Vpon

40 Vpon the ſeuenth day the King went to bewaile Daniel: and when he came to the denne, he looked in, and behold Daniel was ſitting.

41 Then cryed the King with a loud voyce, ſaying, Great art thou, O Lord God of Daniel, and there is none other beſides thee.

42 * And he drew him out: and caſt thoſe were the cauſe of his deſtruction into the de and they were deuoured in a moment befor face.

¶ THE PRAYER OF MANASSES KING OF Iuda, when he was holden captiue in Babylon.

O LORD, Almighty God of our fathers, Abraham, Iſaac, and Iacob & of their righteous who haſt made heauen and earth, with all the ornament thereof: who haſt bound the by the word of thy Commandement: who haſt ſhut vp the deepe, and ſealed it by thy rible and glorious Name: whom all men feare and tremble before thy power: for the ieſty of thy glory cannot be borne, and thine angry threatning toward ſinners is impo ble: but thy merciſull promiſe is vnmeaſurable, and vnſearchable: for thou art the moſt high Lo great compaſsion, long ſuffering, very merciſull, and repenteſt of the euils of men. Then, O Lord, ding to thy great goodneſſe haſt promiſed repentance, and forgiueneſſe to them that haue ſinned a thee: and of thine infinite mercies haſt appointed repentance vnto ſinners, that they may be ſaued. therefore, O Lord, that art the God of the iuſt, haſt not appointed repentance to the iuſt as to Abra and Iſaac, & Iacob, which haue not ſinned againſt thee, but thou haſt appointed repentance vnto me am a ſinner: for I haue ſinned aboue the number of the ſands of the Sea. My tranſgreſſions, O Lord, multiplied, my tranſgreſſions are multiplied: and I am not worthy to behold and ſee the heig heauen, for the multitude of mine iniquity. I am bowed downe with many Iron bands, that I c liſt vp mine head, || neither haue any releaſe: for I haue prouoked thy wrath, and done euill before I did not thy will, neither kept I thy Commandements: I haue ſet vp abominations, and haue multi ed offences. Now therefore I bow the knee of my heart, beſeeching thee of grace: I haue ſinned Lord, I haue ſinned, and I acknowledge mine iniquities: wherefore I humbly beſeech thee, forgiue O Lord, forgiue me, and deſtroy me not with mine iniquities. Bee not angry with me for euer, by ſauing euill for me, neither condemne me into the lower parts of the earth. For thou art the God, the God of them that repent: and in me thou wilt ſhew all thy goodneſſe: for thou wilt ſaue me am vnworthy, according to thy great mercy. Therefore I will praiſe thee for euer all the dayes life: for all the powers of the heauens doe praiſe thee, and thine is the glory for euer and euer, Am

|| Or, neither take my breath

¶ THE FIRST BOOKE OF THE Maccabees.

CHAP. I.

14 Antiochus gaue leaue to ſet vp the faſhions of the Gentiles in Ieruſalem, 22 and ſpoyled it, and the Temple in it, 57 and ſet vp therein the abomination of deſolation, 62 and ſlew thoſe that did circumciſe their children.

AND it happened, after that Alexander ſonne of Philip the Macedonian, who came out of the land of || Chettim, had ſmitten Darius King of the Perſians and Medes, that hee reigned in his ſtead the firſt ouer Greece,

|| Or, Chethym.

2 And made many wars, and wan many ſtrong holds, and ſlew the Kings of the earth.

3 And went through to the ends of the earth, and tooke ſpoiles of many nations, inſomuch that the earth was quiet before him, whereupon || hee was exalted, and his heart was liſted vp.

|| Or, his heart was exalted, and liſted vp.

4 And he gathered a mighty ſtrong hoſt, and ruled ouer countreys, and nations, and || Kings, who became tributaries vnto him.

|| Or, kingdomes

5 And after theſe things he fell ſicke, and perceiued † that he ſhould die.

† Or, that he ſhould die.

6 Wherefore he called his ſeruants, ſuch as were honourable, and had beene brought vp with him from his youth, and parted his kingdome among them, while he was yet aliue:

7 So Alexander reigned twelue yeeres, and (then) died.

8 And his ſeruants bare rule euery one in his place

9 And after his death they all put crowns on themſelues: ſo did their ſons after them many yeeres, and euils were multiplied in the earth.

10 And there came out of them a wicked root Antiochus [ſurnamed] Epiphanes, ſonne of Antiochus the King, who had been an hoſtage at Rome, and hee reigned in the hundred and thirty and ſeuenth yeere of the kingdome of the Greekes.

11 In thoſe dayes went there out of Iſrael wicked men, who perſwaded many, ſaying, Let vs goe and make a couenant with the heathen that are round about vs: for ſince we departed from them † we haue had much ſorrow.

† Or, we haue had much ſorrow

12 So this deuice pleaſed them well.

13 Then certaine of the people were ſo forward herein, that they went to the King, who gaue them licence to doe after the ordinances of the heathen:

14 Whereupon || they built a place of exerciſe at Ieruſalem, according to the cuſtomes of the heathen,

|| Or, there was built

15 And made themſelues vncircumciſed, and forſooke the holy Couenant, and ioyned themſelues to the heathen, and were ſold to doe miſchiefe.

16 Now when the kingdome was eſtabliſhed before Antiochus, he thought to reigne ouer Egypt, that he might haue the dominion of two realmes.

17 Wherefore he entred into Egypt with a great multitude, with chariots, and Elephants, and horſemen, and a great nauie,

18 And made war againſt Ptolomee King of

Egypt, but Ptolome was afraid of him, and fled: and many were wounded to death.

19 Thus they got the strong cities in the land of Egypt, and he tooke the spoiles thereof.

20 And after that Antiochus had smitten Egypt, he returned againe in the hundreth forty and third yeere, and went vp against Israel and Ierusalem with a great multitude,

21 And entred proudly into the Sanctuary, and tooke away the golden Altar, and the candlestick of light, and all the vessels thereof,

22 And the table of the Shewbread, and the pouring vessels, and the vials, and the censers of gold, and the vaile, and the crownes, and the golden ornaments that were before the Temple, all which he pulled off.

23 He tooke also the siluer, and the gold, and the precious vessels: also he tooke the hidden treasures which he found.

24 And when he had taken all away, he went into his owne land, hauing made a great massacre, and spoken very proudly.

25 Therefore there was great mourning in Israel in every place where they were;

26 So that the Princes and Elders mourned, the virgins and young men were made feeble, and the beauty of women was changed.

27 Euery bridegroome tooke vp lamentation, and she that sate in the marriage chamber, was in heauinesse.

28 The land also was moued for the inhabitants thereof, and all the house of Iacob was couered with confusion.

29 And after two yeares fully expired, the King sent his chiefe Collectour of tribute vnto the cities of Iuda, who came vnto Ierusalem with a great multitude,

30 And spake peaceable words vnto them, but all was deceit: for when they had giuen him credence, he fell suddenly vpon the city, and smote it very sore, and destroyed much people of Israel.

31 And when he had taken the spoiles of the citie, he set it on fire, and pulled downe the houses round about thereof on euery side:

32 But the women and children tooke they captiue, and possessed the cattell.

33 Then builded they the city of Dauid with a great and strong wall, [and] with mighty towres, and made it a strong hold for them,

34 And they put therein a sinfull nation, wicked men, and fortified [themselues] therein.

35 They stored it also with armour and victuals, and when they had gathered together the spoiles of Ierusalem, they laid them vp there, and so they became a sore snare.

36 For it was a place to lie in wait against the Sanctuary, and an euill aduersary to Israel.

37 Thus they shed innocent blood on euery side of the Sanctuary, and defiled it.

38 Insomuch that the inhabitants of Ierusalem fled because of them, whereupon [the city] was made an habitation of strangers, and became strange to those that were borne in her, and her owne children left her:

39 Her Sanctuary was laid waste like a wilderness, her feasts were turned into mourning, her Sabbaths into reproach, her honour into contempt.

40 As had beene her glory, so was her dishonour increased, and her excellency was turned into mourning.

41 Moreouer, King Antiochus wrote to his whole kingdome, that all should be one people,

42 And euery one should leaue his lawes: so all the heathen agreed according to the commandement of the King.

43 Yea, many also of the Israelites consented to his religion, and sacrificed vnto idols, and prophaned the Sabbath.

44 For the King had sent letters by messengers vnto Ierusalem and the cities of Iuda, that they should follow ‖ the strange lawes of the land,

45 And forbid burnt offerings, and sacrifice, and drinke offerings in the Temple, & that they should prophane the Sabbaths and festiuall dayes:

46 And pollute the Sanctuary, and holy people:

47 Set vp altars, & groues, and chappels of idols, and sacrifice swines flesh, and vncleane beasts:

48 That they should also leaue their children vncircumcised, and make their soules abominable with all manner of vncleanesse and prophanation:

49 To the end they might forget the law, and change all the ordinances.

50 And whosoeuer would not doe according to the commandement of the King [hee said] hee should die.

51 In the selfe same manner wrote hee to his whole kingdome, and appointed ouerseers ouer all the people, commanding the cities of Iuda to sacrifice, city by city.

52 Then many of the people were gathered vnto them, to wit, euery one that forsooke the Law, and so they committed euils in the land:

53 ‖ And droue the Israelites into secret places, euen whersoeuer they could flee for succour.

54 Now the fifteenth day of the moneth Casleu, in the hundred forty and fifth yeere, they set vp the abomination of desolation vpon the Altar, and builded idole-altars throughout the cities of Iuda on euery side:

55 And burnt incense at the doores of their houses, and in the streets.

56 And when they had rent in pieces the bookes of the Law which they found, they burnt them with fire.

57 And whersoeuer was found with any the booke of the Testament, or if any consented to the Law, † the Kings commandement was, that they should put him to death.

58 Thus did they by their authority vnto the Israelites euery moneth, to as many as were found in the cities.

59 Now the fiue and twentieth day of the moneth, they did sacrifice vpon the idole-altar, which was vpon the Altar of God.

60 At which time, according to the commandement, they put to death certaine women † that had caused their children to be circumcised.

61 And they hanged the infants about their necks, and rifled their houses, and slew them that had circumcised them.

62 Howbeit, many in Israel were fully resolued and confirmed in themselues, not to eate any vncleane thing.

63 Wherefore they chose rather to die, that they might not bee defiled with meats, and that they might not prophane the holy Couenant: so then they died.

64 And there was very great wrath vpon Israel.

CHAP. II.

Mattathias lamenteth the case of Ierusalem, 24 *Hee slayeth a Iew that did sacrifice to Idoles in his presence and the Kings messenger also.* 34 *Hee and his are assailed vpon the Sabbath, and make no resistance,* 30 *He ioyneth and instructeth his souldiers,*

Or, the lawes and rites of the strangers of the land.

Or, and they made Israel hide themselues in holes, in euery place of succour.

† *Greeke, the kings commandement was that they should put them to death.*

† *Greeke, that had circumcised their children.*

66 and maketh their brother Judas Maccabeus Generall.

‖*Or. Mattathias the sonne of* IN those dayes ‖ arose Mattathias the sonne of John, the sonne of Simeon, a Priest of the sonnes of Ioarib from Ierusalem, and dwelt in Modin.

of Iohn, &c. arose from Ierusalem, or out of Ierusalem.

2 And hee had fiue sonnes, Iounan ‖ called Caddis:

‖ *Or, who was called: and so afterward in the rest.*

3 Simon called Thassi:

4 Iudas who was called Maccabeus:

5 Eleazar called ‖ Auaran: and Ionathas, whose surname was Apphus.

6 And when he saw the blasphemies that were committed in Iuda and Ierusalem,

7 He said, Woe is me, wherefore was I borne to see this misery of my people, and of the holy city, and to dwell there when it was deliuered into the hand of the enemy, and the Sanctuary into the hand of strangers?

‖ *Gaddis.*

‖ *Or, Auaron. or Abaron.*

8 Her Temple is become as a man without glory.

9 Her glorious vessels are carried away into captiuitie, her infants are slaine in the streets, her young men with the sword of the enemy.

10 What nation hath not had a part in her kingdeme, and gotten of her spoiles?

11 All her ornaments are taken away, of a free-woman she is become a bond-slaue.

12 And behold our ‖ Sanctuary, euen our beauty and our glory is laid waste, and the Gentiles haue profaned it.

‖ *Or, holy thing.*

13 To what end therefore shall wee liue any longer?

14 Then Mattathias and his sonnes rent their clothes, and put on sackcloth, and mourned very sore.

15 In the meane while the Kings officers, such as compelled the people to reuolt, came into the city Modin to make them sacrifice.

16 And when many of Israel came vnto them, Mattathias also and his sonnes came together.

17 Then answered the Kings officers, and said to Mattathias on this wise, Thou art a ruler, and an honourable and great man in this city, and strengthened with sonnes and brethren:

18 Now therefore come thou first, and fulfill the Kings commandement, *like* as all the heathen haue done; yea, and the men of Iuda also, and such as remaine at Ierusalem: so shalt thou and thine house be in the number of the Kings friends, and thou and thy children shal be honoured with siluer and gold and many rewards.

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19 Then Mattathias answered, and spake with a loud voice, Though all the nations that are vnder the Kings dominion obey him, and fall away euery one from the religion of their fathers, and giue consent to his commandements:

20 Yet will I, and my sonnes, and my brethren, walke in the couenant of our fathers.

21 God forbid that wee should forsake the Law and the Ordinances:

22 We will not hearken to the Kings words, to goe from our religion, either on the right hand, or the left.

23 Now when he had left speaking these words, there came one of the Iewes in the sight of all, to sacrifice on the Altar which was at Modin, according to the Kings commandement.

24 Which thing when Mattathias saw, hee was inflamed with zeale, and his reines trembled, neither could hee forbeare to shew his anger according to iudgement: wherefore hee ranne and slew him vpon the Altar,

25 Also the Kings commissioner, who compelled men to sacrifice, hee killed at that time, and the Altar he pulled downe.

26 Thus dealt he zealously for the Law of God, like as *Phineas did vnto Zambri the sonne of Salom.

27 And Mattathias cryed throughout the city with a loud voyce, saying, Whosoeuer is zealous of the Law, and maintaineth the Couenant, let him follow me.

28 So hee and his sons fled into the mountaines, and left all that euer they had in the city.

29 Then many that sought after iustice and iudgement, went downe into the wildernesse to † dwell there.

30 Both they, and their children, and their wiues, and their cattell, † because afflictions increased sore vpon them.

31 Now when it was told the Kings seruants, and the hoste that was at Ierusalem in the city of Dauid, that certaine men, who had broken the Kings commandements, were gone downe into the secret places in the wildernesse:

32 They pursued after them a great number, and hauing ouertaken them, they camped against them, and made warre against them on the Sabbath day.

33 And they said vnto them, Let that which you haue done hitherto suffice: Come forth, and do according to the commandement of the King, and you shall liue.

34 But they said, We will not come forth, neither will we do the Kings commandement to prophane the Sabbath day.

35 So then † they gaue them the battell with all speed.

36 Howbeit, they answered them not, neither cast they a stone at them, nor stopped the places where they lay hid,

37 But said, Let vs die all in our † innocency: heauen and earth shall testifie for vs, that you put vs to death wrongfully.

38 So they rose vp against them in battell on the Sabbath, and they slew them, with their wiues and children, and their cattell, to the number of a thousand † people.

39 Now when Mattathias and his friends vnderstood hereof, they mourned for them right sore.

40 And one of them said to another, If we doe as our brethren haue done, and fight not for our liues and lawes against the heathen, they will now quickly root vs out of the earth.

41 At that time therefore they decreed, saying, Whosoeuer shall come to make battell with vs on the Sabbath day, we will fight against him, neither will we die all, as our brethren that were murdered in the secret places.

42 Then came there vnto him a company of Asideans, who were mighty men of Israel, euen such as were voluntarily deuoted vnto the Law.

43 Also all they that fled for persecution ioyned themselues vnto them, and were a stay vnto them.

44 So they ioyned their forces, and smote sinfull men in their anger, & wicked men in their wrath: but the rest fled to the heathen for succour.

45 Then Mattathias and his friends went round about, and pulled downe the Altars.

46 And what children soeuer they found within the coast of Israel vncircumcised, those they circumcised ‖ valiantly.

47 They pursued also after the proud men, and the worke prospered in their hand.

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d to they recouered the Law out of the hand of the Gentiles, and out of the hand of Kings, neither ſuffered they the ſinner to triumph.

49 Now when the time drew neere that Mattathias ſhould die, he ſaid vnto his ſonnes, Now hath there an rebuke gotten ſtrength, and the time of deſtruction, and the wrath of indignation:

50 Now therefore my ſonnes, be yee zealous for the Law, and giue your liues for the Couenant of our fathers.

51 Call to remembrance what actes our fathers did in their † time, ſo ſhall yee receiue great honour, and an euerlaſting name.

52 *Was not Abraham found faithfull in temptation, and it was imputed vnto him for righteouſneſſe?

53 *Ioſeph in the time of his diſtreſſe kept the commandement, and was made lord of Egypt.

54 *Phinees our father, in being zealous and feruent, obtained the Couenant of an euerlaſting prieſthood.

55 *Ieſus for fulfilling the word, was made a Iudge in Iſrael.

56 *Caleb for bearing witneſſe before the Congregation, receiued the heritage of the land.

57 *Dauid for being mercifull poſſeſſed the throne of an euerlaſting kingdome.

58 *Elias for being zealous and feruent for the Law was taken vp into heauen.

59 *Ananias, Azarias, and Miſael, by beleeuing were ſaued out of the flame.

60 *Daniel for his innocencie was deliuered from the mouth of Lyons.

61 And thus conſider ye thorowout all ages, that all that put their truſt in him ſhall be ouercome.

62 Feare not then the words of a ſinfull man: for his glory ſhall be dung and wormes.

63 To day he ſhall be lifted vp, and to morrow he ſhall not be found, becauſe he is * returned into his duſt, and his thought is come to nothing.

64 Wherefore you my ſons be valiant, and ſhew your ſelues men in the behalfe of the Law, for by it ſhall you obtaine glory.

65 And behold, I know that your brother Simon is a man of counſell, giue eare vnto him alway: he ſhall be a father vnto you.

66 As for Iudas Maccabæus, he hath beene mighty and ſtrong, euen from his youth vp: let him be your captaine, and ‖ fight the battell of the people.

67 Take alſo vnto you all thoſe that obſerue the Law, and auenge ye the wrong of your people.

68 Recompence fully the heathen, and take heed to the commandements of the Law.

69 So he bleſſed them, and was gathered to his fathers.

70 And hee died in the hundred forty and ſixth yeere, and his ſonnes buried him in the ſepulchre of his fathers at Modin, and all Iſrael made great lamentation for him.

CHAP. III

The valour and fame of Iudas Maccabeus. 1 He ouerthroweth the forces of Samaria and Syria. 10 Antiochus ſendeth a great power againſt him. 27 He and his ſtill to faſting and prayer, 58 and encouraged.

THen his ſonne Iudas, called Maccabeus, roſe vp in his ſtead.

2 And all his brethren helped him, and ſo did all they that held with his father, and they fought with cheerefulneſſe the battell of Iſrael.

3 So he got his people great honour, and put on a breſtplate as a giant, and girt his warlike harneſſe about him, and he made battels, protecting the hoſt with his ſword.

4 In his acts he was like a Lyon, and like a Lyons whelpe roaring for his prey.

5 For he purſued the wicked, and ſought them out, and burnt vp thoſe that vexed his people.

6 Wherefore the wicked ſhrunke for feare of him, and all the workers of iniquity were troubled, becauſe ſaluation proſpered in his hand.

7 Hee grieued alſo many Kings, and made Iacob glad with his actes, and his memoriall is bleſſed for euer.

8 Moreouer, he went thorow the cities of Iuda, deſtroying the vngodly out of them, and turning away wrath from Iſrael.

9 So that hee was renowned vnto the vtmoſt part of the earth, and he † receiued vnto him ſuch as were ready to periſh.

† Greek, gathered together.

10 Then Apollonius gathered the Gentiles together, and a great hoſte out of Samaria, to fight againſt Iſrael.

11 Which thing when Iudas perceiued, he went forth to meet him, and ſo he ſmote him, and ſlew him, many alſo fell downe ſlaine, but the reſt fled.

12 Wherefore Iudas tooke their ſpoiles, and Apollonius ſword alſo, and therewith hee fought all his life long.

13 Now when Seron a Prince of the army of Syria heard ſay, that Iudas had gathered vnto him a multitude and company of the faithfull, to goe out with him to warre:

14 He ſaid, I will get me a name and honour in the kingdome, for I will goe fight with Iudas, and them that are with him, who deſpiſe the Kings commandement.

15 So he made him ready to goe vp, and there went with him a mighty hoſte of the vngodly to helpe him, and to bee auenged of the children of Iſrael.

16 And when hee came neere to the going vp of Bethoron, Iudas went forth to meet him with a ſmall company.

17 Who when they ſaw the hoſte comming to meet them, ſaid vnto Iudas; How ſhall we be able being ſo few, to fight againſt ſo great a multitude and ſo ſtrong, ſeeing wee are ready to faint with faſting all this day?

18 Vnto whom Iudas anſwered, * It is no hard matter for many to bee ſhut vp in the hands of a few, and with the God of heauen it is all one, to deliuer with a great multitude, or a ſmall company:

* 1 Sam. 14.6. 2 chro. 14.11.

19 For the victory of battell ſtandeth not in the multitude of an hoſte, but ſtrength commeth from heauen.

20 They come ‖ againſt vs † in much pride and iniquity, to deſtroy vs, and our wiues and children, and to ſpoile vs:

‖ Or, vnto vs. † Greeke, in multitude.

21 But we fight for our liues, and our Lawes.

22 Wherefore the Lord himſelfe will ouerthrow them before our face: and as for you, be yee not afraid of them.

† Or, pride or ſtate of it. enuy and iniquitie

23 Now aſſoone as hee had left off ſpeaking, he leapt ſuddenly vpon them, and ſo Seron and his hoſte was ouerthrowne before him.

24 And they purſued them † from the going downe of Bethoron vnto the plaine, where were ſlaine about eight hundred men of them, and the reſidue fled into the land of the Philiſtines.

† Gr. in the going downe.

25 Then began the feare of Iudas and his brethren, and an exceeding great dread to fall vpon the nations round about them:

26 Insomuch as his fame came vnto the King, and all nations talked of the battels of Iudas.

27 Now when King Antiochus heard these things, he was full of indignation, wherefore hee sent, and gathered together all the forces of his realme [euen] a very strong army.

28 He opened also his treasure, and gaue his souldiers pay for a yeere, commanding them to be ready † whensoeuer he should need them.

29 Neuertheless, when he saw that the mony of his treasures failed, and † that the tributes in the countrey were small, because of the dissention and plague which he had brought vpon the land, ‖ in taking away the Lawes which had beene of olde time,

30 He feared † that he should not be able to beare the charges and longer, nor to haue such gifts to giue so liberally as he did before: for he had abounded aboue the Kings that were before him.

31 Wherefore, being greatly perplexed in his minde, he determined to goe into Persia, there to take the tributes of the countreys, and to gather much money.

32 So hee left Lysias, a noble man, and one of the blood royal, to ouersee the affaires of the king, from the riuer Euphrates, vnto the borders of Egypt:

33 And to bring vp his sonne Antiochus, vntill he came againe.

34 Moreouer, he deliuered vnto him the halfe of his forces, and the Elephants, and gaue him charge of all things that he would haue done, as also concerning them that dwelt in Iuda and Ierusalem,

35 To wit, that hee should send an army against them, to destroy and root out the strength of Israel, and the remnant of Ierusalem, and to take away their memorial from that place:

36 And that hee should place strangers in all their quarters, and diuide their land by lot.

37 So the King tooke the halfe of the forces that remained, and departed from Antioch † his royall City, the hundred fourty and seuenth yeere, and hauing passed the riuer Euphrates, he went thorow the high countreys.

38 Then Lysias chose Ptolome the sonne of Dorymenes, and Nicanor, and Gorgias, mighty men of the Kings friends:

39 And with them hee sent forty thousand footmen, and seuen thousand horsemen to goe into the land of Iuda, and to destroy it as the King commanded.

40 So they went foorth with all their power, and came and pitched by Emmaus in the plaine country.

41 And the merchants of the country hearing the fame of them, tooke siluer and gold very much, with seruants, and came into the campe to buy the children of Israel for slaues: a power also of Syria, and of the land ‖ of the Palistines ioyned themselues vnto them.

42 Now when Iudas and his brethren saw that miseries were multiplied, and that the forces did encampe themselues in their borders, (for they knew how the King had giuen commandement to destroy the people, and vtterly abolish them,)

43 They said one to another, Let vs restore the decayed estate of our people, and let vs fight for our people and the Sanctuary.

44 Then was the Congregation gathered together, that they might be ready for battell, and that they might pray, and aske mercy and compassion.

45 Now Ierusalem lay voide as a wildernesse, there was none of her children that went in or out: the Sanctuary also was troden downe, and aliens kept the strong hold: the heathen had their habitation in that place, and ioy was taken from Iacob, and the pipe with the harpe ceased.

46 Wherefore the Israelites assembled themselues together, and came to ‖ Maspha ouer against Ierusalem: for in Maspha was the place where they prayed aforetime in Israel.

47 Then they fasted that day, and put on sackcloth, and cast ashes vpon their heads, and rent their clothes:

48 And laid open the booke of the Law ‖ wherein the heathen had sought to paint the likenesse of their images.

49 They brought also the Priests garments, and the first fruits, and the tithes, and the * Nazarites they stirred vp, who had accomplished their dayes.

50 Then cryed they with a loud voyce toward heauen, saying, What shall we doe with these, and whither shall we carry them away?

51 For thy Sanctuary is troden downe and prophaned, and thy Priests are in heauinesse, and brought low.

52 And loe, the heathen are assembled together against vs to destroy vs, what things they imagine against vs, thou knowest.

53 How shall wee be able to stand against them except thou (O God) be our helpe?

54 Then sounded they with trumpets, and cryed with a loud voyce.

55 And after this, Iudas ordained captaines ouer the people, euen captaines ouer thousands, and ouer hundreds, and ouer fifties, and ouer tens.

56 But as for such as * were building houses, or had betrothed wiues, or were planting vineyards, or * were fearefull, those he commanded that they should returne euery man to his owne house, according to the Law.

57 So the campe remoued, and pitched vpon the South side of Emmaus.

58 And Iudas said, Arme your selues, and be valiant men, and see that ye be in readinesse against the morning, that ye may fight with these nations that are assembled together against vs, to destroy vs and our Sanctuary.

59 For it is better for vs to die in battell, than to behold the calamities of our people, and our Sanctuary.

60 Neuertheless, as the will [of God] is in heauen, so let him doe.

CHAP. IIII.

6 Iudas defeateth the plot, 14 and forces of Gorgias, 23 and spoileth their tents. 34 and ouerthroweth Lysias. 45 Hee pulleth downe the altar, which the heathen had prophaned, and setteth vp a new. 60 and maketh a wall about Sion.

THen tooke Gorgias fiue thousand footmen and a thousand of the best horsemen, and they remoued out of the campe by night:

2 To the end he might set in vpon the campe of the Iewes, and smite them suddenly. And the men of the fortresse were his guides.

3 Now when Iudas heard thereof, hee himself remoued, and the valiant men with him, that he might smite ‖ Kings army which was at Emmaus.

4 While as yet the forces were dispersed from the campe.

5 In the meane season came Gorgias by night to the campe of Iudas: and when he found no man there, he sought them in the mountaines: For, said he, these fellowes flee from vs.

6 But assoone as it was day, Iudas shewed himself

† Greeke, or at euery assaile. ‖ Or, the countrey were small. ‖ Or, the tributes of the countrey were few. ‖ Or, for the taking away of the lawes † Or, that he should not haue.

† Greatnesse of his kingdome

‖ Or, seruants. ‖ Or, of strangers.

felfe in the plaine with three thousand men, who nevertheleſſe had neither ‖ armour nor ſwords to their mindes.

7 And they ſaw the campe of the heathen, that it was ſtrong, and well harneſſed, and compaſſed round about with horſmen, and theſe were expert of warre.

8 Then ſaid Iudas to the men that were with him, Feare ye not their multitude, neither be ye afraid of their aſſault.

9 Remember how our Fathers were deliuered in the red ſea, when Pharaoh purſued them with an army.

10 Now therefore let vs cry vnto heauen, if peraduenture the Lord will haue mercy vpon vs, and remember the couenant of our Fathers, and deſtroy this hoſte before our face this day.

11 That ſo all the heathen may know that there is One who deliuereth and ſaueth Iſrael.

12 Then the ſtrangers lift vp their eyes, and ſaw them comming ouer againſt them.

13 Wherefore they went out of the campe to battell, but they that were with Iudas ſounded their trumpets.

14 So they ioyned battell, and the heathen being diſcomfited, fled into the plaine.

15 Howbeit, all the hindmoſt of them were ſlaine with the ſword: for they purſued them vnto Gazara, and vnto the plaines of Idumea, and Azotus, and Iamnia, ſo that there were ſlaine of them vpon three thouſand men.

16 This done, Iudas returned againe with his hoſt from purſuing them,

17 And ſaid to the people, Be not greedy of the ſpoiles, in as much as there is a battell before vs,

18 And Gorgias and his hoſte are here by vs in the mountaine, but ſtand ye now againſt your enemies, and ouercome them, and after this you may boldly take the ſpoiles.

19 As Iudas was yet ſpeaking theſe words, there appeared a part of them looking out of the mountaine.

20 Who when they perceiued that the Iewes had put their hoſt to flight, and were burning the tents; (for the ſmoake that was ſeene, declared what was done.)

21 When therefore they perceiued theſe things, they were ſore afraid, and ſeeing alſo the hoſte of Iudas in the plaine ready to fight:

22 They fled euery one into the land of ſtrangers.

23 Then Iudas returned to ſpoile the tents, where they got much gold and ſiluer, and blue ſilke, and purple of the Sea, and great riches.

24 After this they went home, and ſung a ſong of thankeſgiuing, and praiſed the Lord in heauen: becauſe it is good, becauſe his mercy endureth for euer.

25 Thus Iſrael had a great deliuerance that day.

26 Now all the ſtrangers that had eſcaped, came and told Lyſias what had happened.

27 Who when he heard thereof, was conſounded and diſcouraged, becauſe neither ſuch things as he would were done vnto Iſrael, nor ſuch things as the King commanded him were come to paſſe.

28 The next yeere therefore following, Lyſias gathered together threeſcore thouſand choice men of warre, and fiue thouſand horſemen, that he might ſubdue them.

29 So they came into Idumea, and pitched their tents at Bethſura, and Iudas met them with ten thouſand men.

30 And when he ſaw that mighty army, he prayed and ſaid, Bleſſed art thou, O Sauiour of Iſrael, who didſt quaile the violence of the mighty man by the hand of thy ſeruant Dauid, and gaueſt the hoſte of ‖ ſtrangers into the hands of *Ionathan the ſonne of Saul, and his armour-bearer.

*Or, Philiſtims.

31 Shut vp this army in the hand of thy people Iſrael, and let them be confounded in their power and horſmen.

*1. Sam. 14. 13, 14.

32 Make them to be of no courage, and cauſe the boldneſſe of their ſtrength to † fall away, and let them quake at their deſtruction.

† Greeke, melt.

33 Caſt them downe with the ſword of them that loue thee, and let all thoſe that know thy Name, praiſe thee with thankeſgiuing.

34 So they ioyned battell, and there were ſlaine of the hoſt of Lyſias about fiue thouſand men, euen before them were they ſlaine.

35 Now when Lyſias ſaw his army put to flight, and the maulines of Iudas ſouldiers, and how they were ready either to liue or die valiantly, he went into Antiochia, and gathered together a company of ſtrangers, and hauing made his army greater then it was, he purpoſed to come againe into Iudea.

36 Then ſaid Iudas and his brethren, Behold, our enemies are diſcomfited: let vs goe vp to cleanſe and ‖ dedicate the Sanctuary.

‖ Or, repaire.

37 Vpon this all the hoſte aſſembled themſelues together, and went vp into mount Sion.

38 And when they ſaw the Sanctuary deſolate, and the Altar profaned, and the gates burnt vp, and ſhrubs growing in the courts as in a foreſt, or in one of the mountaines, yea, and the Prieſts chambers pulled downe,

39 They rent their clothes, and made great lamentation, and caſt aſhes vpon their heads,

40 And fell downe flat to the ground vpon their faces, and blew an alarme with the trumpets, and cryed towards heauen.

41 Then Iudas appointed certaine men to fight againſt thoſe that were in the fortreſſe, vntill hee had cleanſed the Sanctuary.

42 So hee choſe Prieſts of blameleſſe conuerſation, ſuch as had pleaſure in the Law.

43 Who cleanſed the Sanctuary, and bare out the defiled ſtones into an vncleane place.

44 And when as they conſulted what to doe with the Altar of burnt offerings, which was profaned,

45 They thought it beſt to pull it downe, leſt it ſhould be a reproach to them, becauſe the heathen had defiled it; wherefore they pulled it downe,

46 And laide vp the ſtones in the mountaine of the Temple, in a conuenient place, vntill there ſhould come a Prophet to ſhew what ſhould bee done with them.

47 Then they tooke whole ſtones, *according to the Law, and built a new Altar, according to the former:

*Exod. 20. 25. dent. 27. 5 and Ioſh. 8.

48 And made vp the Sanctuary, and the things that were within the Temple, and hallowed the Courts.

49 They made alſo new holy veſſels, and into the Temple they brought the Candleſticke, & the Altar of burnt offerings, & of incenſe, & the Table.

50 And vpon the Altar they burnt incenſe, and the lampes that were vpon the Candleſticke, they lighted, that they might giue light in the Temple.

51 Furthermore, they ſet the loaues vpon the Table, and ‖ ſpread out the vailes, and finiſhed all the workes which they had begun to make.

‖ Or, ſpread abroad the hanging, or hanged vp the vailes.

52 Now on the fiue and twentieth day of the ninth moneth (which is called the moneth Caſleu) in the hundreth forty and eighth yere they roſe vp betimes in the morning.

53 And offered sacrifice according to the Law, vpon the new Altar of burnt offerings which they had made.

54 Looke at what time, and what day the heathen had profaned it, euen in that was it dedicated with songs, and cithernes, and harpes, and cymbals.

55 Then all the people fell vpon their faces, worshipping and praising the God of heauen, who had giuen them good successe.

56 And so they kept the dedication of the Altar eight dayes, and offered burnt offerings with gladnesse, and sacrificed the sacrifice of ‖ deliuerance and praise.

‖Or, peace offerings.

57 They decke also the forefront of the Temple with crownes of gold, and with shields, and the gates, and the chambers they ‖ renewed, and ‖ hanged doores vpon them.

‖Or, dedicated.

58 Thus was there very great gladnesse among the people, for that the reproch of the heathen was put away.

‖Or, made aboues for ever.

59 Moreouer, Iudas and his brethren, with the whole Congregation of Israel, ordained that the dayes of the dedication of the Altar should be kept in their season from yeere to yeere by the space of eight dayes, from the fine and twentieth day of the moneth Casleu, with mirth and gladnesse.

60 At that time also they builded vp the mount Sion with high walles, and strong towers round about, lest the Gentils should come and tread it downe as they had done before.

61 And they set there a garison to keepe it: and fortified Bethsura to preserue it, that the people might haue a defence against Idumea.

CHAP. V.

3 Iudas smiteth the children of Dan, Bean, and Ammon. 17 Simon is sent into Galilee. 20 The exploits of Iudas in Galaad. 51 Hee destroyeth Ephron for denying him to passe thorow it. 56 Diuers that in Iudas absence would fight with their enemies, are slaine.

NOw when the nations round about heard that the Altar was built, and the Sanctuarie renewed as before, it displeased them very much.

2 Wherefore they thought to destroy the generation of Iacob that was among them, and therevpon they began to slay and destroy the people.

3 Then Iudas fought against the children of Esau in Idumea at ‖ Arabattine, because they besieged Israel: and hee gaue them a great ouerthrow, and abated their courage, and tooke their spoiles.

‖Or, Arabathene, or Arabattan, ‖ Acrabattine.

4 Also hee remembred the iniury of the children of ‖ Bean, who had become a snare and an offence vnto the people, in that they lay in waite for them in the wayes.

‖Or, Baean.

5 He shut them vp therefore in the towers, and encamped against them, and destroyed them vtterly, and burnt the towers of that place with fire, and all that were therein.

‖Or, Maacah.

6 Afterward hee passed ouer to the children of Ammon, where hee found a mighty power, and much people with Timotheus their Captaine.

‖Or, Haran, Gen. 19.37. Num. 23. 3.32.

7 So he fought many battels with them, till at length they were discomfited before him, and hee smote them.

8 And when he had taken Iazar, with the townes belonging thereto, he returned into Iudea.

9 Then the heathen that were at Galaad, assembled themselues together against the Israelites that were in their quarters, to destroy them: but they fled to the fortresse of Dathema)

10 And sent letters vnto Iudas and his brethren: The heathen that are round about vs, are assembled together against vs to destroy vs;

11 And they are preparing to come and take the fortresse whereunto we are fled, Timotheus being captaine of their hoste.

12 Come now therefore, and deliuer vs from their hands; for many of vs are slaine.

13 Yea, all our brethren that were in the places of Tobie, are put to death, their wiues, and their children; also they haue carried away captiues, and borne away their substance, and they haue destroyed there about a thousand men.

14 While these letters were yet reading, behold, there came other messengers from Galilee with their clothes rent, who reported on this wise,

15 And said, They of Ptolemais, and of Tyre, and Sidon, and all Galilee of the Gentiles, are assembled together against vs, to consume vs.

16 Now when Iudas and the people heard these words, there assembled a great congregation together, to consult what they should doe for their brethren that were in trouble, and assaulted of them.

17 Then said Iudas vnto Simon his brother, Choose thee out men, and go, and deliuer thy brethren that are in Galilee, for I and Ionathan my brother will goe into the countrey of Galaad.

18 So he left Ioseph the sonne of Zacharias, and Azarias captaines of the people, with the remnant of the hoste in Iudea to keepe it.

19 Vnto whom he gaue commandement, saying, Take ye the charge of this people, and see that ye make not war against the heathen, vntill the time that we come againe.

20 Now vnto Simon were giuen three thousand men to go into Galilee, and vnto Iudas eight thousand men for the countrey of Galaad.

21 Then went Simon into Galilee, where he fought many battels with the heathen, so that the heathen were discomfited by him.

22 And he pursued them vnto the gate of Ptolemais: and there were slaine of the heathen about three thousand men, whose spoiles he tooke.

23 And ‖ those that were in Galilee, and in Arbattis, with their wiues, and their children, and all that they had, tooke he away [with him] and brought them into Iudea with great ioy.

‖Or, Arabattis.

24 Iudas Maccabeus also, and his brother Ionathan went ouer Iordan, and trauelled three dayes iourney in the wildernesse,

25 Where they met with the Nabathites, who came vnto them in peaceable manner, and told them euery thing that had happened to their brethren in the land of Galaad;

26 And how that many of them were shut vp in ‖ Bosora, and Bosor, in Alema, ‖ Casphor, Maked and Carnaim, (all these cities are strong and great.)

‖Or, Bosorra.

27 And that they were shut vp in the rest of the cities of the countrey of Galaad, and that against to morrow ‖ they had appointed to bring the hoste against the forts, and to take them, and to destroy them all in one day.

‖Or, they had appointed.

28 Hereupon Iudas and his hoste turned suddenly by the way of the wildernesse vnto ‖ Bosorat: and when he had wonne the city, he slew all the males with the edge of the sword, and tooke all the spoiles, and burnt the city with fire.

‖Or, Bosorra.

29 From whence hee remoued by night, and went till he came to the fortresse.

30 And betimes in the morning they ‖ looked vp, and behold, there was an innumerable people bear

ypha.

ning ladders, and other engines of warre to take the fortresse: for ‖ they assaulted them.

‖ When Iudas therefore saw that the battell was begun, and that the cry of the city went vp to heauen with trumpets and a great sound:

35 He said vnto his hoste, Fight this day for your brethren.

‖ So he went forth behind them in three companies, who sounded their trumpets, and cryed with prayer.

36 Then the hoste of Timotheus, knowing that it was Maccabeus, fled from him: wherefore he smote them with a great slaughter: so that there were slaine of them that day about eight thousand men.

‖ This done, Iudas turned aside to Maspha, and after he had assaulted it, he tooke it, and slew all the males therein, and receiued the spoiles thereof, and burnt it with fire.

‖ From thence went hee and tooke Casphon, Maged, Bosor, and the other cities of the countrey of Galaad.

‖ After these things, gathered Timotheus another hoste, and encamped against Raphon beyond the brooke.

‖ So Iudas sent [men] to espy the hoste, who brought him word, saying, All the heathen that be round about vs, are assembled vnto them, euen a very great hoste.

‖ Hee hath also hired the Arabians to helpe them, and they haue pitched their tents beyond the brooke, ready to come and fight against thee: vpon this Iudas went to meet them.

40 Then Timotheus said vnto the captaines of his hoste, When Iudas and his hoste come neere the brooke, if he passe ouer first vnto vs, wee shall not be able to withstand him, for he will mightily preuaile against vs.

41 But if hee be afraid, and campe beyond the brooke, we shall goe ouer vnto him, and preuaile against him.

42 Now when Iudas came neere to the brooke, hee set the Scribes of the people to remaine by the brooke, vnto whom he gaue commandement, saying, Suffer no man to remaine in the campe, but let all come to the battell.

43 So he went first ouer vnto them, and all the people after him; then all the heathen being discomfited before him, cast away their weapons, and fled vnto the Temple that was at Carnaim.

44 But ‖ they tooke the city, and burnt the Temple with all that were therein. Thus was Carnaim subdued, neither could they stand any longer before Iudas.

45 Then Iudas gathered together all the Israelites that were in the countrey of Galaad, from the least vnto the greatest, euen their wiues and their children, and their stuffe, a very great hoste, to the end they might come into the land of Iudea.

46 Now when they came vnto Ephron, (this was a great city in the way as they should goe, very well fortified) they could not turne from it, either on the right hand or the left, but must needs passe through the midst of it.

47 Then they of the city shut them out, and stopped vp the gates with stones.

48 Whereupon Iudas sent vnto them in peaceable manner, saying, Let vs passe through your land to goe into our owne countrey, and none shall doe you any hurt, we will onely passe through on foot: howbeit they would not open vnto him.

49 Wherefore Iudas commanded a proclamation to be made throughout the hoste, that euery man should pitch his tent in the place where he was.

50 So the souldiers pitched, and assaulted the city all that day and all that night, till at the length the city was deliuered into his hands:

51 Who then slew all the males with the edge of the sword and rased the city, and tooke the spoiles thereof, and passed thorow the city ouer them that were slaine.

52 After this went they ouer Iordan, into the great plaine before Bethsan.

53 And Iudas gathered together those that ‖ came behind, and ‖ exhorted the people, all the way thorow, till they came into the land of Iudea.

54 So they went vp to mount Sion with ioy and gladnesse, where they offered ‖ burnt offerings, because not one of them were slaine, vntil they had returned in peace.

55 Now what time as Iudas and Ionathan were in the land of Galaad, and Simon his brother in Galilee before Ptolemais,

56 Ioseph the son of Zacharias, and Azarias, captaines of the garisons, heard of the valiant acts and warlike deeds which they had done.

57 Wherefore they said, Let vs also get vs a name, and goe fight against the heathen that are round about vs.

58 So when they had giuen charge vnto the garison that was with them, they went toward Iamnia.

59 Then came Gorgias and his men out of the city † to fight against them.

60 And to it was, that Ioseph and Azarias were put to flight, and pursued vnto the borders of Iudea, and there were slaine that day of the people of Israel about two thousand men.

61 Thus was there a great ouerthrow among the children of Israel, because they were not obedient vnto Iudas and his brethren, but thought to doe some valiant act.

62 Moreouer, the men came not of the seed of those, by whose hand deliuerance was giuen vnto Israel.

63 Howbeit the man Iudas and his brethren were greatly renowned in the sight of all Israel, and of all the heathen wheresoeuer their name was heard of:

64 Insomuch as the people assembled vnto them, with ioyfull acclamations.

65 Afterward went Iudas forth with his brethren and fought against the children of Esau, in the land toward the South, where he smote Hebron, and the ‖townes thereof, and pulled downe the fortresse of it, and burnt the townes thereof round about.

66 From thence he removed to goe into the land of the †Philistines, and passed thorow Samaria.

67 At that time certaine Priests desirous to shew their valour, were slaine in battell, for that they went out to fight vnaduisedly.

68 So Iudas turned to Azotus in the land of the Philistines, and when he had pulled downe their Altars, and burnt their carued images with fire, and spoyled their cities, he returned into the land of Iudea.

CHAP. VI.

8 Antiochus dieth, 12 and confesseth that hee is plagued for the wrong done to Ierusalem. 20 Iudas besiegeth those in the tower at Ierusalem. 28 They procure Antiochus the younger to come into Iudea. 51 He besiegeth Sion. 60 and maketh peace with Israel: 62 yet ouerthroweth the wall of Sion.

ABout that time King Antiochus trauailing thorow the high countreys, heard say that Elimais

Or, went vnadmost, Numb. 10.25.

‖ Or, comforted or encouraged.

‖ Peace offerings, Exod. 20.24.

† Or, to meet them in battell.

† Greeke, daughters.

† Greeke, strangers.

Elimais in the countrey of Perſia, was a city greatly renowned for riches, ſilver, and gold,

2 And that there was in it a very rich Temple, wherein were ‖ ornaments of gold, and breſt-plates, and ‖ ſhields, which Alexander, ſonne of Philip the Macedonian King, who reigned firſt among the Grecians, had left there.

‖ Or, ſhields. ‖ Or, armour.

3 Wherefore hee came and ſought to take the city and to ſpoyle it, but he was not able, becauſe they of the city having had warning thereof,

4 Roſe vp againſt him in battell: So he fled and departed thence with great heauineſſe, and returned to Babylon.

5 Moreouer, there came one who brought in tidings into Perſia, that the armies which went againſt the land of Iudea, were put to flight.

6 And that Lyſias, who went forth firſt with a great power, was driuen away of the Ieweſ, and that they were made ſtrong by the armour, and power, and ſtore of ſpoiles, which they had gotten of the armies whom they had deſtroyed.

7 Alſo that they had pulled downe the abomination which he had ſet vp vpon the Altar in Ieruſalem, and that they had compaſſed about the Sanctuary with the high walles as before, and his city Bethſura.

8 Now when the King heard theſe words, he was aſtoniſhed, and ſore mooued: whereupon hee laid him downe vpon his bed, and fell ſicke for griefe, becauſe it had not befallen him, as hee looked for.

9 And there he continued many dayes; for his griefe was euer more and more, and hee made account that he ſhould die.

10 Wherefore he called for all his friends, and ſaid vnto them, The ſleepe is gone from mine eyes, and my heart faileth for very care.

11 And I thought with my ſelfe: into what tribulation am I come, and how great a flood [of miſery] is it wherein now I am? for I was bountifull, and beloued in my power.

12 But now I remember the euils that I did at Ieruſalem, and that I tooke all the veſſels of gold and ſilver that were therein, and ſent to deſtroy the inhabitants of Iudea without a cauſe.

13 † perceiue therefore, that for this cauſe theſe troubles are come vpon mee, and behold, I periſh through great griefe, in a ſtrange land.

14 Then called he for Philip, one of his friends, whom he made Ruler ouer all his Realme:

15 And gaue him the crowne, and his robe, and his ſignet, to the end ‖ he ſhould bring vp his ſonne Antiochus, and nouriſh him vp for the kingdome.

‖ Or, he ſhould take his ſon Antiochus to him.

16 So king Antiochus dyed there in the hundred fourty and ninth yeere.

17 And when Lyſias knew that the King was dead, he ſet vp Antiochus his ſonne (whom hee had brought vp being yong) to reigne in his ſtead, and his name he called Eupator.

18 About this time, they that were in the towre, ſhut vp the Iſraelites round about the Sanctuary, and ſought alwayes their hurt, and the ſtrengthening of the heathen.

19 Wherefore, Iudas purpoſing to deſtroy them, called all the people together to beſiege them.

20 So they came together, and beſieged them in the hundred and fiftieth yeere, and he made mounts for ſhot againſt them, and [other] engines:

21 Howbeit certaine of them that were beſieged got forth, vnto whom ſome vngodly men of Iſrael ioyned themſelues.

22 And they went vnto the King, and ſaid, How long will it be ere thou execute iudgement, and auenge our brethren?

23 We haue beene willing to ſerue thy father, and to doe as hee would haue vs; and to obey his commandements:

24 For which cauſe they of our nation beſieged the tower, and are alienated from vs: moreouer as many of vs as they could light on, they ſlew, and ſpoiled our inheritance.

25 Neither haue they ſtretched out their hands againſt vs onely, but alſo againſt all their borders.

26 And behold, this day are they beſieging the towre at Ieruſalem to take it: the Sanctuary alſo and Bethſura haue they fortified.

27 Wherefore if thou doeſt not preuent them quickly, they will doe greater things then theſe, neither ſhalt thou be able to rule them.

28 Now when the king heard this, hee was angry, and gathered together all his friends, and the captaines of his army, and thoſe that had charge of the horſe.

29 There came alſo vnto him from other kingdomes, and from Iſles of the Sea, bands of hired Souldiers.

30 So that the number of his army was an hundred thouſand ſootmen, and twentie thouſand horſemen, and two and thirty Elephants exerciſed in battell.

31 Theſe went through Idumea, and pitched againſt Bethſura, which they aſſaulted many dayes, making engines of warre: but they [of Bethſura] came out, and burnt them with fire, and fought valiantly.

32 Vpon this Iudas remooued from the towre, and pitched in Bathzacharias, ouer againſt the Kings campe.

33 Then the King riſing very early, marched fiercely with his hoſt toward Bathzacharias, where his armies made them ready to battell, and ſounded the trumpets.

34 And to the end they might prouoke the Elephants to fight, they ſhewed them the blood of grapes and mulberies.

35 Moreouer, they diuided the beaſts among the armies, and for every Elephant they appointed a thouſand men armed with coates of mayle, and with helmets of braſſe on their heads: beſides this, for euery beaſt were ordained fiue hundred horſemen of the beſt.

36 Theſe were ready at euery occaſion: whereſoeuer the beaſt was, and whitherſoeuer the beaſt went, they went alſo, neither departed they from him.

37 And vpon the beaſts were there ſtrong towres of wood, which couered euery one of them, and were girt faſt vnto them with deuices: there were alſo vpon euery one two and thirty ſtrong men that fought vpon them, beſides the Indian that ruled him.

38 As for the remnant of the horſemen, they ſet them on this ſide, and that ſide, at the two parts of the hoſte, ‖ giuing them ſignes what to doe, in being harneſſed all ouer amidſt the rankes.

39 Now when the Sun ſhone vpon the ſhields of gold, and braſſe, the mountaines glittered therewith, and ſhined like lampes of fire.

40 So part of the Kings army being ſpread vpon the high mountaines, and part on the valleys below, they marched on ſafely and in order.

41 Wherefore all that heard the noiſe of the multitude, and the marching of the company,

the rattling of the harneſſe were moued: for the armie was very great and mighty.

44 Then Iudas and his hoſte drew neere, and entred into battell, and there were ſlaine of the kings armie ſixe hundred men.

45 Eleazar alſo ſurnamed [Auaran, perceiuing that one of the beaſts armed with royall harneſſe, was higher then all the reſt, and ſuppoſing that the King was vpon him,

46 Put himſelfe in ieopardy, to the end hee might deliuer his people, and get him a perpetuall name:

47 Wherefore hee ran vpon him courageiouſly through the midſt of the battell, ſlaying on the right hand, and on the left, [ſo that they were diuided from him on both ſides.

48 Which done, he crept vnder the Elephant, and thruſt him vnder, and ſlew him: whereupon the Elephant fell downe vpon him, and there he died.

49 Howbeit [the reſt of the Iewes] ſeeing the ſtrength of the King, and the violence of his ſouldiers, turned away from them.

50 Then the Kings army went vp to Ieruſalem to meet them, and the King pitched his tents [againſt Iudea, and againſt mount Sion.

51 But with them that were in Bethſura, he made peace; for they came out of the city, becauſe they had no victuals there to endure the ſiege, it being a yeere of reſt to the land.

52 So the King tooke Bethſura, and ſet a garriſon there to keepe it.

53 As for the Sanctuary, hee beſieged it many dayes, [and ſet there artillery with engines, and inſtruments to caſt fire and ſtones, and pieces to caſt darts, and ſlings.

54 Whereupon [they alſo made engines againſt their engines, and held them battell a long ſeaſon.

55 Yet at the laſt, their veſſels being without victuals, (for that it was the ſeuenth yeere, and they in Iudea that were deliuered from the Gentiles, had eaten vp the reſidue of the ſtore.)

56 There were but a few left in the Sanctuary, becauſe the famine did ſo preuaile againſt them, that they were ſuffered to diſperſe themſelues euery man to his owne place.

57 At that time Lyſias heard ſay, that Philip (whom Antiochus the king whiles he liued, had appointed to bring vp his ſonne Antiochus, that hee might be king,)

58 Was returned out of Perſia and Media, and the kings hoſt alſo that went with him, and that he ſought to take vnto him the ruling of the affaires,

59 Wherefore he went in all haſte and ſaid to the King, and the captaines of the hoſte, and the common, Wee decay daily, and our victuals are but ſmall, and the place wee lay ſiege vnto is ſtrong: and the affaires of the kingdome lie vpon vs:

60 Now therefore let vs [be friends with theſe men, and make peace with them, and with all their nation.

61 And couenant with them, that they ſhall liue after their lawes, as they did before: for they are therefore diſpleaſed, and haue done all theſe things, becauſe we abolliſhed their lawes.

62 So the King and the Princes were content: wherefore hee ſent vnto them to make peace, and they accepted thereof.

63 Alſo the King and the Princes made an oath vnto them: whereupon they went out of the ſtrong hold.

64 Then the King entred into mount Sion; but when he ſaw the ſtrength of the place, he brake his oath that he had made, and gaue commandement to pull downe the wall round about.

65 Afterward departed he in all haſte, and returned vnto Antiochia, where he found Philip to be maſter of the city. So he fought againſt him, and tooke the city by force.

CHAP. VII.

1 Antiochus is ſlaine, and Demetrius reigneth in his ſtead. 5 Alcimus would be high Prieſt, and complaineth of Iudas to the King. 10 He ſlayeth threeſcore Aſſideans. 43 Nicanor is ſlaine and the Kings forces are diſcomfited by Iudas. 49 The day of this victory is kept holy euery yeere.

IN the hundred and one and fiftieth yeere, Demetrius the ſon of Seleucus, departed from Rome, and came vp with a few men vnto a [citie of the ſea coaſt, and reigned there. [Tripolis

2 And as he entred into the [palace of his anceſtors, ſo it was, that his ſoldiers had taken Antiochus and Lyſias, to bring them vnto him. [Greeke, houſe of the kingdome of his father

3 Wherefore when he knew it, he ſaid, Let me not ſee their faces.

4 So his hoſte ſlew them. Now when Demetrius was ſet vpon the throne of his kingdome,

5 There came vnto him all the wicked and vngodly men of Iſrael, hauing Alcimus (who was deſirous to be high Prieſt) for their captaine.

6 And they accuſed the people to the King, ſaying, Iudas and his brethren haue ſlaine all thy friends, and driuen vs out of our owne land.

7 Now therefore ſend ſome man whom thou truſteſt, and let him go and ſee what miſchiefe he hath made amongſt vs, and in the Kings land, and let him puniſh them, with all them that aid them.

8 THen the King choſe Bacchides a friend of the King, who ruled beyond the [riuer, and was a great man in the kingdome, and faithfull to the King:

9 And him hee ſent with that wicked Alcimus whom hee made high Prieſt, and commanded that he ſhould take vengeance of the children of Iſrael.

10 So they departed, and came with a great power into the land of Iudea, where they ſent meſſengers to Iudas and his brethren with peaceable words, deceitfully.

11 But they gaue no heed to their words, for they ſaw that they were come with a great power.

12 Then did there aſſemble vnto Alcimus and Bacchides, a company of [Scribes to require iuſtice. [Or, Officers, gouernours, chiefe men or men in authority

13 Now the Aſſideans were the firſt among the children of Iſrael that ſought peace of them:

14 For ſaid they, One that is a Prieſt of the ſeed of Aaron is come with this armie, and he will doe vs no wrong.

15 So he ſpake vnto them peaceably, and ſware vnto them, ſaying, We will procure the harme, neither of you nor your friends.

16 Whereupon they beleeued him: howbeit he tooke of them threeſcore men, and ſlew them in one day, according to the words which he wrote:

17 *The fleſh of thy Saints [haue they caſt out] and their blood haue they ſhed round about Ieruſalem, and the ewe ſnone to bury them. *Pſal. 79.2.3.

18 Wherefore the feare and dread of them fell vpon all the people, who ſaid, There is neither truth nor [righteouſneſſe in them, for they haue broken the couenant and oath that they made. [Greeke, iudgement

19 After this remoued Bacchides from Ieruſalem, and pitched his tents in Bezeth, where he ſent and tooke many of the men that had forſaken him, and certaine of the people alſo, and when he had ſlaine

slaine them, [he cast them] into the great pit.

20 Then committed he the countrey to Alcimus, and left with him a power to aide him: so Bacchides went vnto the King.

‖ Or, laboured to defend his high Priesthood.

21 But Alcimus ‖ contended for the high Priesthood.

22 And vnto him resorted all such as troubled the people, who after they had gotten the land of Iuda into their power, did much hurt in Israel.

23 Now when Iudas saw all the mischiefe that Alcimus and his company had done among the Israelites, euen aboue the heathen,

24 He went out into all the coast of Iudea round about, and tooke vengeance of them that had ‖ reuolted from him, so that they durst no more ‖ goe foorth into the countrey.

‖ Or, fled from him to the enemy.

25 On the other side, when Alcimus saw that Iudas and his company ‖ had gotten the vpper hand, and knew that hee was not able † to abide their force, he went againe to the King, and said all the worst of them that he could.

‖ Or, inuaded the countrey.

26 Then the king sent Nicanor, one of his honourable Princes, a man that bare deadly hate vnto Israel, with commandement to destroy the people.

† Or, were growne very strong.

27 So Nicanor came to Ierusalem with a great force ‖ and sent vnto Iudas and his brethren deceitfully with † friendly words, saying,

† Or, stand aside them

28 Let there be no battel betweene me and you, I will come with a few men, that I may † see you in peace.

† Greeke, peaceable

† Gr. see your faces.

29 He came therefore to Iudas, and they saluted one another peaceably. Howbeit, the enemies were prepared to take away Iudas by violence.

30 Which thing after it was knowen to Iudas (to wit) that he came to him with deceit, he was sore afraid of him, and would see his face no more.

31 Nicanor also when he saw that his counsell was discouered, went out to † fight against Iudas beside ‖ Capharsalama.

† Greeke, met: Iudas in battell.

‖ Or, Carphasalama.

32 Where there were slaine of Nicanors side about fiue thousand men, [and the rest] fled into the city of Dauid.

33 After this went Nicanor vp to mount Sion, and there came out of the Sanctuary certaine of the Priests, and certaine of the Elders of the people to salute him peaceably, and to shew him the burnt sacrifice that was offered for the King.

† Gr. deflowred them.

34 But he mocked them, and laughed at them, and † abused them shamefully, and spake proudly,

† Greeke, in peace.

35 And swore in his wrath, saying, Vnlesse Iudas and his hoste bee now deliuered into my hands, if euer I come againe † in safty, I will burne vp this house: and with that he went out in a great rage.

36 Then the Priests entred in, and stood before the Altar, and the Temple, weeping and saying,

37 Thou O Lord didst chuse this house to be called by thy Name, and to be a house of prayer and petition for thy people.

38 Be auenged of this man and his hoste, and let them fall by the sword: Remember their blasphemies, and suffer them not to continue any longer.

39 So Nicanor went out of Ierusalem, and pitched his tents in Bethoron, where an hoste out of Syria met him.

40 But Iudas pitched in Adasa, with three thousand men, and there he prayed, saying,

2 Kings 19.35. Isa. 37.36. Ecclus 48. 21.

41 O Lord, when they that were sent from the King of the Assyrians blasphemed, thine Angel went out, and smote an hundred fourescore and fiue thousand of them.

42 Euen so destroy thou this hoste before vs this day, that the rest may know that hee hath spoken blasphemously against thy Sanctuary, and iudge thou him according to his wickednesse.

43 So the thirteenth day of the moneth Adar the hostes ioyned battell, but Nicanors hoste was discomfited, and he himselfe was first slaine in the battell.

44 Now when Nicanors hoste saw that he was slain, they cast away their weapons and fled.

45 Then ‖ they pursued after them a iourney in one, from Adasa vnto Gazera, sounding an alarme after them with their trumpets.

‖ Or, they.

46 Whereupon they came forth out of all the townes of Iudea round about, and ‖ closed them in so that they turning backe vpon them that pursued them, were all slaine with the sword, and not one of them was left.

‖ Or, so that they turning backe vpon them that pursued them, were all slaine with the sword, and not one of them was left.

47 Afterwards they tooke the spoiles, and the prey, and smote off Nicanors head, and his right hand which hee stretched out so proudly, and brought them away, and hanged them vp towards Ierusalem.

48 For this cause the people reioyced greatly, and they kept that day, a day of great gladnesse.

49 Moreouer, they ordained to keepe yeerely this day, being the thirteenth of Adar.

50 Thus the land of Iuda was in rest a little while.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Iudas is informed of the power and policy of the Romanes, 2 and maketh a league with them. 23 The articles of that league.

NOw Iudas had heard of the fame of the Romanes, that they were mighty men of valour, men, and such as would louingly accept all that ioyned themselues vnto them, and make a league of amity with all that come vnto them.

2 And that they were men of great valour: he was told him also of their warres and noble acts which they had done among the Galatians, and how they had conquered them, and brought them vnder tribute,

3 And what they had done in the country of Spaine, for the winning of the Mines of the siluer and gold which is there,

4 And that by their policy and patience (for they conquered all that place (though it were very farre from them) and the Kings also that came against them from the vttermost part of the earth, till they had discomfitted them, and giuen them a great ouerthrow, so that the rest did giue them tribute euery yeere.

5 Besides this, how they had discomfited in battell, Philip, and Perseus King of the Citims, with others that lift vp themselues against them, and had ouercome them:

6 How also Antiochus the great King of Asia that came against them in battell, hauing an hundred and twenty Elephants, with horsemen and chariots, and a very great armie, was discomfited by them:

7 And how they tooke him aliue, and commanded that hee, and such as reigned after him, should pay a great tribute, and giue hostages, and that which was agreed vpon:

8 And the countrey of India, and Media, and Lydia, and of the goodliest countreys which they tooke of him, and gaue to King Eumenes.

9 Moreouer, how the Grecians had determined to come and destroy them.

10 And that they hauing knowledge thereof, sent against them a certaine captaine, and fighting with them slew many of them, and carried away captiue

their wiues and their children, and ſpoiled them, and tooke poſſeſſion of their lands, and pulled downe their ſtrong holds, and brought them to be their ſeruants vnto this day.

31 [It was told him beſides] how they deſtroyed throughout vnder their dominion, all other kingdomes and Iſles that at any time reſiſted them.

32 But with their friendſhip, and ſuch as relied vpon them, they kept amity: and that they had conquered kingdomes both far and nigh, inſomuch as all that heard of their name, were afraid of them.

33 Alſo that whom they would helpe to a kingdome, thoſe reigne: and whom againe they would, they diſplace: finally, that they were greatly exalted.

34 Yet for all this, none of them wore a crowne, nor was clothed in purple, to be magnified thereby.

35 Moreouer, how they had made for themſelues a Senate houſe, wherein three hundred and twenty men ſate in councell daily, conſulting alway for the people, to the end they might be well ordered.

36 And that they committed their gouernment to one man euery yeere, who ruled ouer all their country, and that all were obedient to that one.

37 And that there was neither enuy, nor emulation among them.

38 In conſideration of theſe things, Iudas choſe Eupolemus the ſonne of Iohn, the ſon of Accas, and Iaſon the ſonne of Eleazar, and ſent them to Rome, to make a league of amity and confederacy with them.

39 [And to intreat them] that they would take the yoke from them, for they ſaw that the kingdome of the Grecians did oppreſſe Iſrael with ſeruitude.

40 They went therefore to Rome (which was a very great iourney) and came into the Senate, where they ſpake and ſaid,

41 Iudas Maccabeus with his brethren, and the people of the Iewes, haue ſent vs vnto you to make a confederacy and peace with you, and that wee might be regiſtred your confederates and friends.

42 So that matter pleaſed the Romanes well.

43 And this is the copy of the Epiſtle which (the Senate) wrote backe againe in tables of braſſe, and ſent to Ieruſalem, that there they might haue by them a memorial of peace and confederacy.

44 Good ſucceſſe be to the Romanes, and to the people of the Iewes, by ſea and by land for euer: the ſword alſo and enemy be farre from them.

45 If there come firſt any warre vpon the Romanes or any of their confederates, throughout all their dominion,

46 The people of the Iewes ſhall helpe them, as the time ſhall be appointed with all their heart.

47 Neither ſhall they giue any thing vnto them that make war vpon them, or aide them with victuals, weapons, money, or ſhips, as it hath ſeemed good vnto the Romanes, but they ſhall keepe their couenant without taking any thing therefore.

48 In the ſame manner alſo, if warre come firſt vpon the nation of the Iewes, the Romanes ſhall helpe them with all their heart, according as the time ſhall be appointed them.

49 Neither ſhall victuals be giuen to them that take part againſt them, or weapons, or money, or ſhips, as it hath ſeemed good to the Romanes: but they ſhall keepe their couenants, and that without deceite.

50 According to theſe Articles did the Romanes make a couenant with the people of the Iewes.

51 Howbeit, if hereafter the one party or the other, ſhall thinke meet to adde or diminiſh any thing, they may doe it at their pleaſures, and whatſoeuer they ſhall adde or take away, ſhall bee ratified.

52 And as touching the euills that Demetrius doth to the Iewes, we haue written vnto him, ſaying, Wherefore haſt thou made thy yoke heauy vpon our friends and confederates the Iewes?

53 If therefore they complaine any more againſt thee, we will doe them iuſtice, and fight with thee by ſea and by land.

CHAP. IX.

1 *Alcimus and Bacchides come againe with new forces into Iudea.* 7 *The armie of Iudas flee from him,* 17 *and he is ſlaine.* 30 *Ionathan is in his place,* 40 *and reuengeth his brothers quarell.* 55 *Alcimus is plagued, and dyeth.* 70 *Bacchides maketh peace with Ionathan.*

NOw when Demetrius heard that Nicanor and his hoſte were ſlaine in battell, † hee ſent Bacchides and Alcimus into the land of Iudea, the ſecond time, and with them the ſ chiefe ſtrength of his hoſte.

2 Who went forth by the way that leadeth to Galgala, and pitched their tents before Maſaloth, which is in Arbela: and after they had wonne it, they ſlew much people.

3 Alſo the firſt moneth of the hundreth fifty and ſecond yeere they encamped before Ieruſalem.

4 From whence they remoued and went to Berea with twenty thouſand footmen, and two thouſand horſemen.

5 Now Iudas had pitched his tents at Eleaſa, and three thouſand choſen men with him.

6 Who ſeeing the multitude of the other army to be ſo great, was ſore afraide, whereupon many conueyed themſelues out of the hoſte, inſomuch as there abode of them no more but eight hundred men.

7 When Iudas therefore ſaw that his hoſte ſlipt away, and that the battell preſſed vpon him, hee was ſore troubled in mynde, and much diſtreſſed, for that he had not time to gather them together.

8 Neuertheleſs vnto them that remained, he ſaid, Let vs ariſe and go vp againſt our enemies, if peraduenture we may be able † to fight with them.

9 But they diſwaded him, ſaying, We ſhall neuer be able: ‖ Let vs now withdraw our liues, and hereafter will we return with our brethren, and fight againſt them: for we are but few.

10 Then Iudas ſaid, God forbid that I ſhould doe this thing, and flee away from them. If our time be come, let vs die manfully for our brethren, and † let vs not ſtaine our honour.

11 With that the hoſte [of Bacchides] remoued out of their tents, and ſtood euen againſt them, their horſemen being diuided into two troopes, and their ſlingers, and archers going before the hoſte, and they that marched in the fore-ward were all mighty men.

12 As for Bacchid, he was in the right wing, ſo the hoſte drew neere on the two parts, and ſounded their trumpets.

13 They alſo of Iudas ſide, euen they ſounded their trumpets, ſo that the earth ſhooke at the noiſe of the armies, and the battell continued from morning till night.

14 Now when Iudas perceiued that Bacchides and the ſtrength of his army were on the right ſide, he tooke with him all the hardy men,

15 Who

† Greeke, he adiſed or prouided to ſend.

Or, the right wing.

Or, Galila.

Or, Berrethea. 1. Maſ.

‖ We fol. low here the Romane copy † Greeke, let vs not leaue any iuſt cauſe behind vs why our glory ſhould be ſpoken againſt.

Or, the Iewes

35 Who discomfited the right wing, and pursued them vnto the mount Azotus.

36 But when they of the left wing saw that they of the right wing were discomfited, they followed vpon Iudas and those that were with him, hard at the heeles from behinde:

37 Wherupon there was a sore battell, insomuch as many were slaine on both parts.

38 Iudas also was killed, and the remnant fled.

39 Then Ionathan and Simon, tooke Iudas their brother, and buried him in the sepulchre of his fathers in Modin.

40 Moreouer they bewailed him, and all Israel made great lamentation for him, and mourned many dayes, saying:

41 How is the valiant man fallen that deliuered Israel?

42 As for the other things concerning Iudas and his wars, and the noble actes which he did, and his greatnes, they are not written, for they were very many.

43 ¶Now after the death of Iudas, the wicked began to put forth their heads in all the coasts of Israel, and there rose vp all such as wrought iniquity.

44 In those dayes also was there a very great famine, by reason whereof the country reuolted, and went with ‖ them.

‖ Bacchides and his company.

45 Then Bacchides chose the wicked men, and made them lords of the country.

46 And they made enquiry and search for Iudas friends & brought them vnto Bacchides, who took

† Or, moued them.

vengeance of them, and † vsed them despitefully.

47 So was there a great affliction in Israel, the like whereof was not since the time that a Prophet was not seene amongst them.

48 For this cause all Iudas friends came together and said vnto Ionathan,

49 Since thy brother Iudas died, we haue no man like him to goe forth against our enemies and Bacchides, and against them of our nation that are aduersaries to vs.

50 Now therefore we haue chosen thee this day to be our prince and captaine in his stead, that thou mayest fight our battels.

51 Vpon this Ionathan tooke the gouernance vpon him at that time, and rose vp in stead of his brother Iudas.

52 But when Bacchides gate knowledge therof, he sought for to slay him.

53 Then Ionathan and Simon his brother, and all that were with him, perceiuing that, fled into the

‖ Or, which when Bacchides vnderstood on the Sabbath day he came more.

wildernesse of Thecoe, and pitched their tents by the water of the poole Asphar.

54 ‖Which when Bacchides vnderstood, he came neere to Iordan with all his hoste vpon the Sabbath day.

55 Now Ionathan had sent his brother [‖ Iohn] a captaine of the people, to pray his friends the Nabbathites, † that they might leaue with them their carriage, which was much.

‖ Iosephus li. 13. cap. 1.

† Or, that he might leaue with them his carriage.

56 But the children of Iambri came out of Medaba, and tooke Iohn and all that he had, and went their way with it.

57 After this came word to Ionathan and Simon his brother, that the children of Iambri made a great marriage, and were bringing the bride from ‖ Nadabath with a great traine, as being the daughter of one of the great Princes of Chanaan.

‖ Or, Medaba.

58 Therfore they remembred Iohn their brother, and went vp and hid themselues vnder the couert of the mountaine.

59 Where they lift vp their eyes, and looked and behold, there was much adoe, and great caring and the bridegroome came forth, and his friends and brethren to meet them, with ‖ drums and [‖ instruments of musicke, and many weapons.

‖ Or, companies.

60 Then Ionathan and they that were with him rose vp against them from the place where they lay in ambuth, and made a slaughter of them in such sort, as many fell down dead, and the remnant fled into the mountain, and they tooke all their spoiles.

61 Thus was their mariage turned into mourning, and the noise of their melody into lamentation.

62 So when they had auenged fully the blood of their brother, they turned againe to the marish of Iordan.

63 Now when Bacchides heard hereof, he came on the Sabbath day vnto the banks of Iordan, with a great power.

64 Then Ionathan said to his company, Let vs goe vp now and fight for our liues, for it standeth not with vs to day, as in time past:

65 For behold, the battell is before vs, and behinde vs, and the water of Iordan on this side and that side, the marish likewise and wood, neither is there place for vs to turne aside.

66 Wherefore cry ye now vnto heauen, that ye may be deliuered from the hand of your enemies.

67 With that they ioyned battell, and Ionathan stretched forth his hand to smite Bacchides, but he turned backe from him.

68 Then Ionathan and they that were with him leape into Iordan, and swam ouer vnto the further banke: howbeit the other passed not ouer Iordan vnto them.

69 So there were slaine of Bacchides side that day, about a † thousand men.

† Or, many.

70 Afterward returned [Bacchides] to Ierusalem, and ‖ repaired the strong cities in Iudea: the fort in Iericho, and Emmaus, and Bethoron, and Bethel, and Bethel and Thamnatha, Pharathon, and ‖ Tephon, (this did he strengthen with high walls, with gates and with barres.)

‖ Or, repaired.

71 And in them he set a garison, that they might worke malice vpon Israel.

72 He fortified also † the city Bethsura, and Gazara, and the Tower, and put forces in them, and prouision of victuals.

† Or, Bethsora.

73 Besides, he tooke the chiefe mens sonnes in the country for hostages, and put them into the tower at Ierusalem to be kept.

74 Moreouer, in the hundred fifty and third yeere in the second month, Alcimus commanded that the wall of the inner court of the Sanctuary should be pulled downe, he pulled downe also the worke of the Prophets.

75 And as he began to pull downe, euen at that time was Alcimus plagued, and his enterprises hindred: for his mouth was stopped, and he was taken with a palsey, so that he could neither speake any thing, nor giue order concerning his house.

76 So Alcimus died at that same time with great torment.

77 Now when Bacchides saw that Alcimus was dead, he returned to the King, whereupon the land of Iudea was in rest two yeeres.

78 Then all the vngodly men held a councell, saying, Behold, Ionathan and his companie are at rest and dwell without care: now therefore let vs send and bring Bacchides hither, who shall take them all in one night.

79 So they went and consulted with him.

80 Then remoued he, and came with a great

and sent letters priuily to his adherents in Iudea, that they should take Ionathan, and those that were with him: howbeit, they could not, because their counsell was knowne vnto them.

16 Wherefore they tooke of the men of the countrey that were authors of that mischiefe, about fifty persons, and slew them.

17 Afterward Ionathan and Simon, and they that were with him, got them away to Bethbasi, which is in the wildernesse, and they repaired the decayes thereof, and made it strong.

18 Which thing when Bacchides knew, he gathered together all his hoste, and sent word vnto them that were of Iudea.

19 Then went he and laid siege against Bethbasi, and they fought against it a long season, and made engines of warre.

20 But Ionathan left his brother Simon in the city, and went forth himselfe into the countrey, and with certaine number went he forth.

21 And he smote Odomarkes and his brethren, and the children of Phasiron in their tent.

22 And when he began to smite them, and came on with his forces, Simon and his company went out of the city, and burnt vp the engines of warre,

23 And fought against Bacchides, who was disappointed by them, and they afflicted him sore; for his counsell and trauell was in vaine.

24 Wherefore he was very wroth at the wicked men that gaue him counsell to come into the countrey, insomuch as he slew many of them, and purposed to returne into his owne countrey.

25 Whereof when Ionathan had knowledge, he sent Ambassadors vnto him, to the end hee should make peace with him, & deliuer them the prisoners.

26 Which thing he accepted, and did according vnto his demands, and sware vnto him that he would neuer do him harme all the dayes of his life.

27 When therefore he had restored vnto him the prisoners that hee had taken aforetime out of the land of Iudea, hee returned, and went his way into his owne land, neither came hee any more into their borders.

28 Thus the sword ceased from Israel: but Ionathan dwelt at Machmas, and began to gouerne the people, and hee destroyed the vngodly men out of Israel.

CHAP. X.

1 *Demetrius maketh large offers to haue peace with Ionathan.* 25 *His letters to the Iewes.* 47 *Ionathan maketh peace with Alexander.* 50 *Who marieth Demetrius* 58 *and marieth the daughter of Ptolemie.* 62 *Ionathan is sent for by him, and honoured.* 75 *and preuaileth against the forces of Demetrius the yonger.* 84 *and burneth the temple of Dagon.*

IN the hundred and sixtieth yeere, Alexander the sonne of Antiochus, surnamed Epiphanes, went vp and tooke Ptolemais: for the people had receiued him, and in that he reigned there.

2 Now when King Demetrius heard thereof, he gathered together an exceeding great hoste, and came forth against him to fight.

3 Moreouer Demetrius sent letters vnto Ionathan with louing words, so as he magnified him.

4 For, said hee, let vs first make peace with him before he ioyne with Alexander against vs.

5 Else hee will remember all the euils that we haue done against him, and against his brethren, and his people.

6 Wherefore hee gaue him authority to gather together an hoste, and to prouide weapons that he might aide him in battell, hee commanded also, that the hostages that were in the tower should be deliuered him.

7 Then came Ionathan to Ierusalem, and read the letters in the audience of all the people, and of them that were in the tower.

8 Who were sore afraid when they heard that the King had giuen him authority to gather together an hoste.

9 Whereupon they of the tower deliuered these hostages vnto Ionathan, and he deliuered them vnto their parents.

10 This done, Ionathan setled himselfe in Ierusalem, and began to build and repaire the city.

11 And hee commanded the workemen to build the walles, and the mount Sion round about with square stones for fortification, and they did so.

12 Then the strangers that were in the fortresses which Bacchides had built, fled away.

13 Insomuch as euery man left his place, and went into his owne countrey.

14 Onely at Bethsura, certaine of those that had forsaken the Law, and the commandements remained still: for it was their place of refuge.

15 Now when King Alexander had heard what promisses Demetrius had sent vnto Ionathan: when also it was told him of the battels and noble actes which he and his brethren had done, and of the paines that they had endured,

16 He said, Shall wee finde such another man? Now therefore we will make him our friend and confederate.

17 Vpon this he wrote a letter, and sent it vnto him, according to these words, saying:

18 King Alexander to his brother Ionathan, sendeth greeting:

19 We haue heard of thee, that thou art a man of great power, and meet to be our friend.

20 Wherefore now this day we ordaine thee to be the high Priest of thy nation, & to be called the Kings friend (and therewithall he sent him a purple robe, and a crowne of gold) [and require thee] to take our part, and keepe friendship with vs.

21 So in the seuenth moneth of the hundreth and sixtieth yeere, at the feast of the Tabernacles, Ionathan put on the holy robe, and gathered together forces, and prouided much armour.

22 Whereof when Demetrius heard, he was very sorry, and said,

23 What haue wee done that Alexander hath preuented vs, in making amity with the Iewes to strengthen himselfe?

24 I also will write vnto them words of encouragement, [and promise them] dignities and gifts, that I may haue their ayde.

25 Hee sent vnto them therefore to this effect: King Demetrius vnto the people of the Iewes, sendeth greeting:

26 Whereas you haue kept Couenants with vs, and continued in our friendship, not ioyning your selues with our enemies, we haue heard hereof and are glad:

27 Wherefore now continue ye still to be faithfull vnto vs, and we will well recompence you for the things you doe in our behalfe,

28 And will grant you many immunities, and giue you rewards.

29 And now I doe free you, and for your sakes I release all the Iewes from tributes, and from the customes of salt, and from crowne taxes,

30 And from that which appertaineth vnto me to receiue for the third part of the seed, and the halfe

of

of the fruit of the trees, I release it from this day forth, so that they shall not be taken of the land of Iudea, nor of the three gouernments which are added thereunto out of the countrey of Samaria and Galilee, from this day foorth for euermore.

31 Let Ierusalem also be holy and free, with the bordess thereof, both from tenths and tributes.

32 And as for the tower which is at Ierusalem, I yeeld vp my authority ouer it, and giue it to the high Priest, that he may set in it such men as he shall chuse to keepe it.

33 Moreouer, I freely set at liberty euery one of the Iewes that were caried captiues out of the land of Iudea, into any part of my kingdome, and I will that all my officers remit the tributes euen of their cattell.

34 Furthermore, I will that all the Feasts and Sabbaths, and new Moones, and solemn dayes, and the three dayes before the Feast, & the three dayes after the Feast, shall be all dayes of immunitie and freedome for all the Iewes in my realme.

35 Also no man shall haue authority to meddle with them, or to molest any of them in any matter.

36 [I will further] that there be enrolled amongst the kings forces about thirty thousand men of the Iewes, vnto whom pay shall bee giuen as belongeth to all the Kings forces.

37 And of them some shall be placed in the kings strong holds, of whom also some shall bee set ouer the affaires of the kingdome, which are of trust: and I will that their Ouerseers and Gouernours be of themselues, and that they † liue after their owne Lawes, euen as the King hath commanded in the land of Iudea.

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38 And concerning the three gouernments that are added to Iudea from the countrey of Samaria, let them bee ioyned with Iudea, that they may be reckoned to be vnder one, nor bound to obey other authority then the high Priests.

39 As for Ptolemais and the land pertaining thereto, I giue it as a free gift to the Sanctuary at Ierusalem, for the necessary expences ‖ of the Sanctuary.

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42 And besides this, the fiue thousand shekels of siluer, which they tooke from the vses of the Temple out of the accounts yeere by yeere, euen those things shall be released, because they appertaine to the Priests that minister.

43 And whosoeuer they bee that flee vnto the Temple at Ierusalem, or bee within the liberties thereof, being indebted vnto the King, or for any other matter, let them bee at libertie, and all that they haue in my realme.

44 For the building also and repairing of the workes of the Sanctuary, expences shall bee giuen of the Kings accounts.

45 Yea, and for the building of the walls of Ierusalem, and the fortifying thereof round about, expences shall be giuen out of the Kings accounts, as also for building of the walls in Iudea.

46 Now when Ionathan and the people heard these words, they giue no credit vnto them, nor receiued them, because they remembred the great euill that he had done in Israel: for he had afflicted them very sore.

47 But with Alexander they were well pleased, because he was the first that entreated of true peace with them, and they were confederate with him alwayes.

48 Then gathered King Alexander great forces and camped ouer against Demetrius.

49 And after the two Kings had ioyned battell, Demetrius hoste fled: but Alexander followed after him, and preuailed against them.

50 And he continued the battell very sore vntill the Sunne went downe, and that day was Demetrius slaine.

51 Afterward Alexander sent Ambassadours to Ptolome King of Egypt, with a message to this effect:

52 Forsomuch, as I am come againe to my realme, and am set in the throne of my progenitors, and haue gotten the dominion and ouerthrowne Demetrius, and recouered our countrey.

53 (For after I had ioyned battell with him, both he and his hoste was discomfited by vs, so that we sit in the throne of his kingdome.)

54 Now therefore let vs make a league of amitie together, and giue mee now thy daughter to wife, and I will be thy some in Law, and will giue both thee and her gifts according to thy dignity.

55 Then Ptolome the King gaue answere, saying, Happy be the day wherein thou hast returned into the Land of thy fathers, and sittest in the throne of their kingdome.

56 And now will I do to thee, as thou hast written: meet me therefore at Ptolemais, that we may see one another, for I will marry my daughter vnto thee, according to thy desire.

57 So Ptolome went out of Egypt with his daughter Cleopatra, and they came vnto Ptolemais in the hundred threescore and second yeere.

58 Where King Alexander meeting him, gaue vnto him his daughter Cleopatra, and celebrated her marriage at Ptolemais with great glory, as the manner of Kings is.

59 Now King Alexander had written vnto Ionathan, that he should come and meet him.

60 Who thereupon went honourably to Ptolemais where he met the two kings, and gaue them and their friends siluer and golde, and many presents, and found fauour in their sight.

61 At that time certaine pestilent fellowes of Israel, men of a wicked life, assembled themselues against him, to accuse him: but the King would not hear them.

62 Yea more then that, The King commanded to take off his garments, and clothe him in purple: and they did so.

63 Also he made him sit by himselfe, and said vnto his Princes, Go with him into the midst of the city, and make proclamation, that no man complaine against him of any matter, and that no man trouble him for any manner of cause.

64 Now when his accusers saw the honour that was honoured according to the proclamation, and clothed in purple, they fled all away.

65 So the King honoured him, and wrote him among his chiefe friends, and made him a Duke, and partaker of his dominion.

66 Afterward Ionathan returned to Ierusalem with peace and gladnesse.

67 Furthermore, in the hundred three score and fifth yeere, came Demetrius, sonne of Demetrius, out of Crete into the land of his fathers.

68 Whereof when King Alexander heard tell, he was right sorry, and returned into Antioch.

69 Then Demetrius made Apollonius the gouerna-

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me vnto Ionathan the high Priest, saying;
Thou alone liftest vp thy selfe against vs, and
laughed to scorne for thy sake, and reproched,
why doest thou vaunt thy power against vs in
mountaines?
Now therefore if thou trustest in thine owne
gth, come downe to vs into the plaine field,
there let vs try the matter together; for
e is the power of the cities.
Aske, and learne who I am, and the rest that
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AND the King of Egypt gathered together a great hoste, like the sand that lieth vpon the Sea shore, and many shippes, and went about through deceit to get Alexanders kingdome, and ioyne it to his owne.
2 Whereupon he tooke his iourney into Syria in peaceable manner, so as they of the cities opened vnto him, and met him: for King Alexander had commanded them so to doe, because he was his father in law.
3 Now as Ptolomee entred into the cities, he set in euery one of them a garison of souldiers to keep it.
4 And when he came neere to Azotus, they shewed him the temple of Dagon, that was burnt, and Azotus, and the suburbs thereof that were destroyed, and the bodies that were cast abroad, and them that he had burnt in the battell, for they had made heapes of them by the way where he should passe.
5 Also they told the King whatsoeuer Ionathan had done, to the intent hee might blame him: but the King held his peace.
6 Then Ionathan met the King with great pompe at Ioppa, where they saluted one another, and † lodged.
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10 For I repent that I gaue my daughter vnto him, for he sought to slay me.
11 Thus did he slander him, because he was desirous of his kingdome.
12 Wherefore he tooke his daughter from him, and gaue her to Demetrius, and forsooke Alexander, so that their hatred was openly knowne.
13 Then Ptolomee entred into Antioch, where he set two crownes vpon his head, the crowne of Asia, and of Egypt.
14 In the meane season was King Alexander in Cilicia, because those that dwelt in those parts, had reuolted from him.
15 But when Alexander heard of this, he came to warre against him, whereupon King Ptolomee brought forth his hoste, and met him with a mightie power, and put him to flight.
16 So Alexander fled into Arabia, there to be defended, but King Ptolomee was exalted.
17 For Zabdiel the Arabian tooke off Alexanders head, and sent it vnto Ptolomee.
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21 Then certaine vngodly persons, who hated their owne people, went vnto the King, and told him that Ionathan besieged the tower.

22 Whereof when hee heard, he was angry, and immediatly remouning, he came to Ptolemais, and wrote vnto Ionathan, that he should not lay siege to the tower, but come and speake with him at Ptolemais in great haste.

23 Neuertheleſſe, Ionathan when he heard this, commanded to beſiege it [ſtill] and he choſe certaine of the Elders of Iſrael, and the Priests, and put himſelfe in perill:

24 And tooke ſilver, and gold, and raiment, and diuers preſents beſides, and went to Ptolemais, vnto the King, where he found fauour in his ſight.

25 And though certaine vngodly men of the people, had made complaints againſt him:

26 Yet the King intreated him, as his predeceſſors had done before, and promoted him in the ſight of all his friends,

27 And confirmed him in the high Prieſthood, and in all the honours that he had before, and gaue him preeminence among his chiefe friends.

28 Then Ionathan deſired the King that hee would make Iudea free from tribute, as alſo the three gouernments with the countrey of Samaria, and he promiſed him three hundred talents.

29 So the King conſented, and wrote letters vnto Ionathan of all theſe things, after this manner:

30 King Demetrius vnto his brother Ionathan, and vnto the nation of the Iewes, ſendeth greeting.

31 We ſend you here a copy of the letter, which we did write vnto our couſin Laſthenes, concerning you, that you might ſee it.

32 King Demetrius, vnto his father Laſthenes, ſendeth greeting:

33 Wee are determined to doe good to the people of the Iewes, who are our friends, and keepe couenants with vs: becauſe of their good will towards vs.

Ioſeph. Ant. lib. 13. cap. 8. 34 [Wherefore we haue ratified vnto them the borders of Iudea, with the three gouernments of Apherema, and Lidda, and Ramathem, that are added vnto Iudea from the countrey of Samaria; and all things appertaining vnto them, for all ſuch as doe ſacrifice in Ieruſalem, inſtead of the payments which the king receiued of them yerely aforetime, out of the fruits of the earth, and of trees.

35 And as for other things that belong vnto vs, of the tithes and cuſtomes pertaining vnto vs, as alſo the ſalt-pits, and the crowne taxes which are due vnto vs, wee diſcharge them of them all for their reliefe.

36 And nothing hereof ſhall bee reuoked from this time foorth for euer.

37 Now therefore ſee that thou make a copy of theſe things, and let it bee deliuered vnto Ionathan, and ſet vpon the holy Mount in a conſpicuous place.

38 After this, when King Demetrius ſaw that the land was quiet before him, and that no reſiſtance was made againſt him, he ſent away all his forces euery one to his owne place, except certaine bands of ſtrangers, whom hee had gathered from the Iſles of the heathen, wherefore all the forces of his fathers hated him.

39 Moreouer, there was one Tryphon, that had been of Alexanders part afore, who ſeeing that all the hoſt murmured againſt Demetrius, went to Simalcue the Arabian, that brought vp Antiochus the young ſonne of Alexander,

40 And laye ſore vpon him, to deliuer him [this young Antiochus] that he might reigne in his fathers ſtead: he told him therefore all that Demetrius had done, & how his men of war were at mity with him, & there he remained a long ſea

41 In the meane time Ionathan ſent vnto K Demetrius, that he would caſt choice of the to out of Ieruſalem, and thoſe alſo in the fortreſſ for they fought againſt Iſrael.

42 So Demetrius ſent vnto Ionathan, ſaying will not onely doe this for thee and thy people I will greatly honour thee and thy nation, if portunity ſerue.

43 Now therefore thou ſhalt doe well, if ſ ſend me men to helpe me: for all my forces gone from me.

44 Vpon this Ionathan ſent him three thouſ ſtrong men vnto Antioch, & when they came to King, the King was very glad of their comm

45 Howbeit, they that were of the city gath themſelues together into the midſt of the cit the number of an hundred and twenty thouſ men, and would haue ſlaine the King.

46 Wherefore the King fled into the court, they of the city kept the paſſages of the city, begin to fight.

47 Then the King called to the Iewes for hel who came vnto him all at once, and diſp themſelues thorow the city, ſlew that day in city to the number of an hundred thouſand.

48 Alſo they ſet fire on the citie, and got m ſpoiles that day, and deliuered the King.

49 So when they of the city ſaw that the Iewes had got the city as they would, their courage abited, wherefore they made ſupplication to King, and cryed, ſaying,

50 §Giue vs peace, and let the Iewes ceaſe fr aſſaulting vs, and the city.

51 With that they caſt away their weapons, made peace, and the Iewes were honoured in ſight of the King, and in the ſight of all that w in his realme, and they returned to Ieruſalem, uing great ſpoiles.

52 So King Demetrius ſate on the throne of kindome, and the land was quiet before him.

53 Neuertheleſſe, he diſſembled in all that hee ſpake, and eſtranged himſelfe from Ion neither rewarded he him according to the ben which hee had receiued of him, but troubled very ſore.

54 After this returned Tryphon, and with the young childe Antiochus, who reigned, and crowned.

55 Then there gathered vnto him all the of warre, whom Demetrius had put away, and fought againſt Demetrius, who turned his ba and fled.

56 Moreouer, Tryphon tooke the †Elephan and wonne Antioch.

57 At that time yong Antiochus wrote vnto nathan, ſaying, I confirme thee in the high Pri hood, and appoint thee ruler ouer the foure nernments, and to be one of the Kings friends.

58 Vpon this hee ſent him golden veſſels to ſeruice in, and gaue him leaue to drinke in and to be clothed in purple and to weare a gol buckle.

59 His brother Simon alſo hee made captai from the place called the Ladder of Tyrus, vnto borders of Egypt.

60 Then Ionathan went forth and viſited th row the cities beyond the water, and all the ces of Syria gathered the ſouldiers vnto him

bring him? and when he came to Ascalon, they of the city met him honorably.

24 From whence hee went to Gaza, but they of Gaza shut him out; wherefore hee laid siege vnto it, burned ‖ the suburbes thereof with fire, and spoyled them.

25 Afterward when they of Gaza made supplication vnto Ionathan, † he made peace with them, and took the sonnes of the chiefe men for hostages, and sent them to Ierusalem, and passed thorow the country vnto Damascus.

26 Now when Ionathan heard that Demetrius princes were come to Cades, which is in Galilee, with a great power, purposing ‖ to remoue him out of the country,

27 Hee went to meet them, and left Simon his brother in the country.

28 Then Simon encamped against Bethsura, and fought against it a long season, and shut it vp:

29 But they desired to haue peace with him, which he granted them; and then put them out from thence, and tooke the city, and set a garison in it.

30 As for Ionathan and his hoste, they pitched by the water of Gennesar, from whence betimes in the morning they gate them to the plaine of Asor.

31 And behold the hoste of strangers met them in the plaine; who hauing laid men in ambush for him in the mountaines, came themselues ouer against him.

32 So when they that lay in ambush rose out of their places, and ioyned battell, all that were of Ionathans side fled:

33 Insomuch as there was not one of them left, but Mattathias the sonne of Absolom, and Iudas the sonne of Calphi, the captaines of the hoste.

34 Then Ionathan rent his clothes, and cast earth vpon his head, and prayed.

35 Afterwards turning againe to battell, he put them to flight, and so they ran away.

36 Now when his owne men that were fled, saw this, they turned againe vnto him, and with him pursued them to Cades, euen vnto their own tents, and there they camped.

37 So there were slaine of the heathen that day, about three thousand men; but Ionathan returned to Ierusalem.

CHAP. XII.

Ionathan renueth his league with the Romans and Lacedemonians. 24 The forces of Demetrius, thinking to surprise Ionathan, flee away before him. 35 Ionathan fortifieth the Castles in Iewry. 48 And is shut vp by the fraud of Tryphon Tyrannus.

1 Now when Ionathan saw that the time serued him, hee chose certaine men, and sent them to Rome to confirme, and renew the friendship they had with them.

2 He sent letters also to the Lacedemonians, and vnto other places for the same purpose.

3 So they went vnto Rome, and entred into the Senate, and said, Ionathan the high Priest, and the people of the Iewes sent vs vnto you, to the end you should renew the friendship which you had with them, and league, as in former time.

4 Wherefore the Romans gaue them letters vnto the rulers of every place, that they should bring them into the land of Iudea peaceably.

5 And this is the copie of the letters which Ionathan wrote to the Lacedemonians:

6 Ionathan the high Priest, and the Elders of the nation, and the Priests, and the other people of the Iewes, vnto the Lacedemonians their brethren, send greeting.

7 There were letters sent in times past vnto Onias the high Priest, from ‖ Darius who reigned then among you, to signifie that you are our brethren, as the copie here vnder-written doth specifie. ‖ *Areus, looke Ios. Ant. lib. 13. c. 8.*

8 At which time Onias entreated the Ambassador that was sent honourably, and receiued the letters, wherein declaration was made of the ‖ league and friendship. ‖ *Or, kindred, Ios. Ant.*

9 Therefore we also, albeit we need none of these things: for that we haue the holy Bookes of Scripture in our hands to comfort vs,

10 Haue neuertheless attempted to send vnto you, for the renewing of brotherhood and friendship, lest we should become strangers vnto you altogether: for there is a long time passed since you sent vnto vs.

11 We therefore at all times without ceasing, both in our feasts and other conuenient dayes, doe remember you in the sacrifices which we offer, and in our prayers, as reason is, and as it becommeth vs to thinke vpon our brethren.

12 And we are right glad of your honour.

13 As for our selues, we haue had great troubles and warres on every side, for so much as the kings that are round about vs, haue fought against vs.

14 Howbeit, we would not be troublesome vnto you, nor to others of our confederates and friends in these warres.

15 For we haue helpe from heauen that succoureth vs, so as we are deliuered from our enemies, and our enemies are brought vnder foot.

16 For this cause we chose Numenius the sonne of Antiochus, and Antipater the sonne of Iason, and sent them vnto the Romanes, to renew the amity that we had with them, and the former league.

17 We commanded them also to goe vnto you, and to salute you, and to deliuer you our letters concerning the renewing of our brotherhood.

18 Wherefore now ye shall doe well to giue vs an answere thereto.

19 And this is the copie of the letters which ‖ Omiares sent: ‖ *Reade out of Ios. which Areus sent to Onias.*

20 Areus King of the Lacedemonians, to Onias the high Priest, greeting:

21 It is found in writing, that the Lacedemonians and Iewes are brethren, and that they are of the stocke of Abraham:

22 Now therefore since this is come to our knowledge, you shall doe well to write vnto vs of your † prosperity. † *Greeke, peace.*

23 We doe write backe againe to you, that your cattell and goods are ours, and ours are yours. We doe command therefore [our Ambassadours] to make report vnto you on this wise.

24 Now when Ionathan heard that Demetrius Princes were come to fight against him with a greater hoste then afore,

25 He remoued from Ierusalem, and met them in the land of Amathis: for he gaue them no respite ‖ to enter his countrey. ‖ *Or, to set foot in his country, or to inuade his country.*

26 He sent spies also vnto their tents, who came againe and told him that they were appointed to come vpon them in the night season.

27 Wherefore so soone as the Sunne was downe, Ionathan commanded his men to watch, and to be in armes, that all the night long they might be ready to fight: also he sent forth Sentinels round about the hoste.

28 But when the aduersaries heard that Ionathan

and his men were ready for battell, they feared and
‖ Ver. Ant. l. 13. c. 9. trembled in their hearts, and ‖ they kindled fiers in their campe.
they went away.
29 Howbeit Ionathan and his company knew it not till the morning, for they saw the lights burning.
30 Then Ionathan pursued after them, but ouertooke them not: for they were gone ouer the riuer Eleutherus.
31 Wherefore Ionathan turned to the Arabians,
† Or, Gr. Nabathæans. who were called † Zabadeans, and smote them, and tooke their spoyles.
32 And remouing thence, he came to Damascus, and so passed through all the countrey.
33 Simon also went foorth, and passed thorow the country vnto Ascalon, and the holds there adioyning, from whence he turned aside to Ioppe, and won it,
34 For he had heard that they would deliuer the hold vnto them that tooke Demetrius part; wherefore he set a garison there to keepe it.
35 After this came Ionathan home againe, and calling the Elders of the people together, he consulted with them about building strong holds in Iudea,
36 And making the walles of Ierusalem higher, and raising a great mount betweene the towre and the city, for to separate it from the city, that so it might bee alone, that men might neither sell nor buy in it.
37 Vpon this they came together to build vp the
‖ Or, according to the Roman reading, and he came neere to the wall of the brooke toward the East. city, ‖ for as much as [part of] the wall toward the brooke on the East side was fallen downe, and they repayred that which was called Caphenatha.
38 Simon also set vp Adida in Sephela, and made it strong with gates and barres.
39 Now Tryphon went about to get the kingdome of Asia, and to kill Antiochus the king, that he might set the Crowne vpon his owne head,
40 Howbeit he was afraid that Ionathan would not suffer him, and that he would fight against him, wherefore he sought a way how to take Ionathan, that he might kill him. So he remoued and came to Bethsan.
41 Then Ionathan went out to meet him with fourty thousand men, chosen for the battell, and came to Bethsan.
42 Now when Tryphon saw that Ionathan came with so great a force, hee durst not stretch his hand against him,
43 But receiued him honourably, and commended him vnto all his friends, and gaue him gifts, and commanded his men of warre, to be as obedient vnto him, as to himselfe.
44 Vnto Ionathan also he said, Why hast thou put all this people to so great trouble, seeing there is no warre betwixt vs?
45 Therefore send them now home againe, and chuse a few men to wait on thee, and come thou with me to Ptolemais: for I will giue it thee, and the rest of the strong holds, and forces, and all that haue any charge: as for me, I will returne and depart: for this is the cause of my comming.
46 So Ionathan beleeuing him, did as he bade him, and sent away his hoste, who went into the land of Iudea.
47 And with himselfe hee reteined but three
† Gr. left two thousand in Galilee. thousand men, of whom hee † sent two thousand into Galilee, and one thousand went with him.
48 Now as soone as Ionathan entred into Ptolemais, they of Ptolemais shut the gates, and tooke him: and all them that came with him, they slew with the sword.
49 Then sent Tryphon an hoste of footmen, and horsemen into Galilee, and into the great plaine, to destroy all Ionathans company.
50 But when they knew that Ionathan and they that were with him were taken and slaine, they encouraged one another, and went close together prepared to fight.
51 They therefore that followed vpon them perceiuing that they were ready to fight for their liues, turned backe againe.
52 Whereupon they all came into the land of Iudea peaceably, and there they bewailed Ionathan and them that were with him, and they were sore afraid, wherefore all Israel made great lamentation.
53 Then all the heathen that were round about them, sought to destroy them. For said they, They haue no captaine, nor any to help them. Now therefore let vs make warre vpon them, and take away their memoriall from amongst men.

CHAP. XIII.

8 Simon is made captaine in his brother Ionathans roome. 19 Tryphon getteth two of Ionathans sonnes into his hands, and slay th their father. 27 The tombe of Ionathan. 36 Simon is feasted by Demetrius, 40 and winneth Gaza and the castle at Ierusalem.

NOw when Simon heard that Tryphon had gathered together a great hoste, to inuade the land of Iudea, and destroy it,
2 And saw that the people was in great trembling and feare, he went vp to Ierusalem, and gathered the people together,
3 And gaue them exhortation, saying, Ye your selues know what great things I, and my brethren, and my fathers house haue done for the Lawes, and the Sanctuary, the battels also and troubles which we haue seene,
4 By reason whereof all my brethren are slaine for Israels sake, and I am left alone.
5 Now therefore be it farre from me, that I should spare mine own life in any time of trouble: for I am no better then my brethren.
6 Doubtlesse I will auenge my nation, and the Sanctuary, and our wiues, and our children: for all the heathen are gathered to destroy vs of meere malice.
7 Now assoone as the people heard these words, their spirit reuiued.
8 And they answered with a loud voyce, saying, Thou shalt be our leader in stead of Iudas and Ionathan thy brother.
9 Fight thou our battels, and whatsoeuer thou commandest vs, that will we doe.
10 So then he gathered together all the men of warre, and made haste to finish the walles of Ierusalem, and he fortified it round about.
11 Also he sent Ionathan the sonne of Absalom, and with him a great power to Ioppe, who cast out them that were therein, remained there.
12 So Tryphon removed from Ptolemais with a great power, to inuade the land of Iudea, and Ionathan was with him in ward.
13 But Simon pitched his tents at Adida ouer against the plaine.
14 Now when Tryphon knew that Simon was risen vp in stead of his brother Ionathan, and meant to ioyne battell with him, he sent messengers vnto him, saying,
15 Whereas we haue Ionathan thy brother in ward, it is for money that hee is owing vnto the [illegible]

ressure,] concerning the businesse that was committed vnto him.

16 Wherefore now send an hundred talents of siluer, and two of his sons for hostages, that when he is at liberty, he may not reuolt from vs, and we will let him goe.

17 Hereupon Simon, albeit he perceiued that they spake deceitfully vnto him, yet sent he the money, and the children: lest peraduenture he should procure to himselfe great hatred of the people:

18 Who might haue said, Because I sent him not the money and the children, therefore is [Ionathan] dead.

19 So he sent them the children and the hundred talents: Howbeit [Tryphon] dissembled, neither would he let Ionathan goe.

20 And after this, came Tryphon to inuade the land, and destroy it, going round about by the way that leadeth vnto Adora, but Simon and his hoste marched against him in euery place whereso euer he went.

21 Now they that were in the tower, sent messengers vnto Tryphon, to the end that hee should hasten his comming vnto them by the wildernesse, and send them victuals.

22 Wherefore Tryphon made ready all his horsmen to come that night, but there fell a very great snow, by reason whereof he came not. So he departed, and came into the countrey of Galaad.

23 And when he came neere to Bascama, he slew Ionathan, who was buried there.

24 Afterward Tryphon returned, and came into his owne land.

25 Then sent Simon, and tooke the bones of Ionathan his brother, and buried them in Modin the city of his fathers.

26 And all Israel made great lamentation for him, and bewailed him many dayes.

27 Simon also built a monument vpon the sepulchre of his father & his brethren, and raised it aloft to the sight, with hewen stone behind and before.

28 Moreouer, hee set vp seuen Pyramides one against another, for his father, and his mother, and his foure brethren.

29 And in these he made cunning deuices, about the which he set great pillars, and vpon the pillars he made all their armour for a perpetuall memorie, and by the armour, ships carued, that they might be seene of all that saile on the Sea.

30 This is the sepulchre which he made at Modin, and it standeth yet vnto this day.

31 Now Tryphon dealt deceitfully with the young King Antiochus, and slew him.

32 And hee reigned in his stead, and crowned himselfe King of Asia, and brought a great calamitie vpon the land.

33 Then Simon built vp the strong holds in Iudea, and fenced them about with high towers, and great wals, and gates, and bars, and laid vp victuals therein.

34 Moreouer, Simon chose men, and sent to King Demetrius, to the end he should giue the land an immunity, because † all that Tryphon did, was to spoile.

35 Vnto whom King Demetrius answered, and wrote after this manner:

36 King Demetrius vnto Simon the high Priest, and friend of Kings, as also vnto the Elders, and nation of the Iewes, sendeth greeting:

37 The golden crowne, and the scarlet robe which ye sent vnto vs, we haue receiued, and we are ready to make a stedfast peace with you, yea, and to write vnto our officers, to confirme the immunities which we haue granted.

38 And whatsoeuer couenants wee haue made with you, shall stand, and the strong holds which ye haue builded, shall be your owne.

39 As for any ouersight, or fault committed vnto this day, we forgiue it, and the crowne taxe also which ye owe vs, if there were any other tribute paid in Ierusalem, it shall no more be paid.

40 And looke who are meet among you to be in our court, let them bee inrolled, and let there be peace betwixt vs.

41 Thus the yoke of the heathen was taken away from Israel, in the hundred and seuentieth yeere.

42 Then the people of Israel began to write in their instruments and contracts, in the first yeere of Simon the high Priest, the gouernour and leader of the Iewes.

43 In those dayes Simon camped against Gaza, and beseiged it round about, he made also an engine of warre, and set it by the city, and battered a certaine tower, and tooke it.

44 And they that were in the engine leapt into the city, whereupon there was a great vproare in the city:

45 Insomuch as the people of the city rent their clothes, and climbed vpon the walles with their wiues and children, and cryed with a loud voyce, beseeching Simon† to grant them peace.

† Gr. to giue them his right hand.

46 And they said, Deale not with vs according to our wickednesse, but according to thy mercy.

47 So Simon was appeased towards them, and fought no more against them, but put them out of the city, and cleansed the houses wherein the idols were, and so entred into it with songs, and thanksgiuing.

48 Yea, he put all vncleannesse out of it, and placed such men there, as would keepe the Law, and made it stronger then it was before, and built therein a dwelling place for himselfe.

49 They also of the tower in Ierusalem were kept so strait, that they could neither come forth, nor goe into the countrey, nor buy, nor sell, wherefore they were in great distresse for want of victuals, and a great number of them perished thorow famine.

50 Then cried they to Simon, beseeching him † to be at one with them, which thing hee granted them, and when he had put them out from thence, he cleansed the tower from pollutions:

† Or, to make peace with them.

51 And entred into it the three and twentieth day of the second moneth, in the hundred seuenty and one yeere, with thanksgiuing, and branches of palme trees, and with harpes and cymbals, and with violes, and hymnes, and songs: because there was destroyed a great enemy out of Israel.

52 He ordained also that that day should be kept euery yeere with gladnesse. Moreouer, the hill of the Temple that was by the tower, he made stronger then it was, and there he dwelt himselfe, with his company.

53 And when Simon saw that Iohn his sonne was a valiant man, hee made him captaine of all the hostes, and dwelt in Gazara.

CHAP. XIIII.

3 Demetrius is taken by the King of Persia. 4 The good deeds of Simon to his countrey. 18 The Lacedæmonians and Romanes renew their league with him. 26 A memoriall of his actes is set vp in Sion.

NOw in the hundred threescore and twelfth yeere, King Demetrius gathered his forces

together, and went into Media, to get him helpe to fight against Tryphon.

2 But when Arsaces the King of Persia & Media, heard that Demetrius was entred within his borders, he sent one of his Princes to take him aliue.

3 Who went and smote the hoste of Demetrius, and tooke him, and brought him to Arsaces, by whom he was put in ward.

4 As for the land of Iudea, that was quiet all the dayes of Simon: for he sought the good of his nation in such wise, as that euermore his authority and honour pleased them well.

5 And as he was honourable (in all his acts) so in this, that he tooke Ioppe for an hauen, and made an entrance to the yles of the Sea.)

6 And enlarged the bounds of his nation, and recouered the countrey,

7 And gathered together a great number of captiues, and had the dominion of Gazara, and Bethsura, and the tower out of the which hee tooke all vncleannes, neither was there any that resisted him

8 Then did they till their ground in peace, and the earth gaue her increase, and the trees of the field their fruit.

9 The ancient men sate all in the streets communing together of ‖ good things, and the young men put on glorious and warlike apparell.

‖ Or, the wealth of the land.

10 He prouided victuals for the cities, and set in them all maner of munition, so that his honourable name was renowned vnto the end of the world.

11 Hee made peace in the land, and Israel reioyced with great ioy:

12 For * euery man sate vnder his vine, and his figtree, and there was none to fray them:

* 1. Kings 4. 25.

13 Neither was there any left in the land to fight against them: yea, the Kings themselues were ouerthrowne in those dayes.

14 Moreouer, he strengthened all those of his people that were brought low: the Law he searched out, and euery contemner of the Law, and wicked person he tooke away.

15 He beautified the Sanctuary, and multiplyed the vessels of the Temple.

16 Now when it was heard at Rome, & as far as Sparta, that Ionathan was dead, they were very sorry.

17 But assoone as they heard that his brother Simon was made high Priest in his stead, and ruled the countrey, and the cities therein,

18 They wrote vnto him in tables of brasse, to renew the friendship and league which they had made with Iudas, and Ionathan his brethren:

19 Which writings were read before the Congregation at Ierusalem.

20 And this is the copy of the letters that the Lacedemonians sent: The rulers of the Lacedemonians, with the city, vnto Simon the high Priest, and the Elders, and Priests, and residue of the people of the Iewes our brethren, send greeting.

21 The Ambassadours that were sent vnto our people, certified vs of your glory and honour, wherefore we were glad of their comming,

22 And did register the things that they spake, in the counsell of the people, in this manner: Numenius son of Antiochus, and Antipater son of Iason, the Iewes Ambassadours came vnto vs, to renew the friendship they had with vs.

23 And it pleased the people to entertaine the men honourably, and to put the copy of their ambassage in publike records, to the end the people of the Lacedemonians might haue a memoriall thereof: furthermore, we haue written a copy thereof vnto Simon the high Priest.

24 After this, Simon sent Numenius to Rome with a great shield of gold, of a thousand pound weight, to confirme the league with them.

25 Whereof when the people heard, they said, What thankes shall wee giue to Simon and his sonnes?

26 For he and his brethren, and the house of his father haue established Israel, and chased away all fight their enemies from them, and confirmed their liberty.

27 So then they wrote [it] in tables of brasse which they set vpon pillars in mount Sion, & this is the copy of ỹ writing, The eighteenth day of the moneth Elul, in the hundreth threescore & twelfth yere, being the third yere of Simon the high Priest

28 At ‖ Saramel in the great Congregation of the Priests and people, and rulers of the nation and Elders of the countrey, were these things notified vnto vs.

29 Forsomuch as oftentimes there haue been wars in the countrey, wherein for the maintenance of their Sanctuary, and the Law, Simon the sonne of Mattathias of the posterity of Iarib, together with his brethren, put themselues in ieopardy, and resisting the enemies of their nation, did their nation great honour.

30 (For after that Ionathan hauing gathered his nation together, and beene their high Priest, was added to his people,

31 Their enemies purposed to inuade their country, that they might dettroy it, and lay hands on the Sanctuary.

32 At which time Simon rose vp, and fought for his nation, and spent much of his owne substance, and armed ‖ the valiant men of his nation, and gaue them wages,

33 And fortified the cities of Iudea, together with Bethsura, that lieth vpon the borders of Iudea, where the ‖ armour of the enemies had been before, but he set a gariton of Iewes there.

34 Moreouer, he fortified Ioppa, which lieth vpon the Sea, and ‖ Gazara that bordereth vpon Azotus where the enemies had dwelt before: but he placed Iewes there, & furnished them with all things conuenient for the reparation thereof.)

35 The people therfore seeing the acts of Simon, and vnto what glory he thought to bring his nation, made him their gouernour and chiefe Priest, because he had done all these things, and for the iustice and faith which he kept to his nation, and for that he sought by all meanes to exalt his people.

36 For in his time things prospered in his hands, so that the heathen were taken out of their country, and they also that were in the city of David in Ierusalem, who had made themselues a tower out of which they issued, and polluted all about the Sanctuary, and did much hurt ‖ in the holy place.

37 But he placed Iewes therein, and fortified it for the safety of the countrey, and the city, and reared vp the wals of Ierusalem.

38 King Demetrius also confirmed him in the high Priesthood, according to those things,

39 And made him one of his friends, and honored him with great honour.

40 For he had heard say, that the Romanes had called the Iewes their friends, and confederates and brethren, and that they had entertained the Ambassadours of Simon honourably.

41 Also that the Iewes and Priests were well pleased that Simon should be their gouernour and high Priest for euer, vntill there should arise a faithfull Prophet.

42 Moreouer

43 Moreouer, that he should be their captaine, and should take charge of the Sanctuary, to set them ouer their works, and ouer the countrey, and ouer the armes, and ouer the fortresses, that (I say) he should take charge of the Sanctuary.

44 Besides this, that he should be obeyed of euery man: & that all the writings in the countrey should be made in his name, and that he should be clothed in purple, and weare gold.

45 Also that it should be lawfull for none of the people or Priests to breake any of these things, or to gaine-say his words, or to gather an assembly in the countrey without him, or to be clothed in purple, or weare a buckle of gold.

46 And whosoeuer should doe otherwise, or breake any of these things he should be punished.

47 Thus it liked all the people to deale with Simon, and to doe as hath beene said.

48 Then Simon accepted hereof, and was well pleased to be high Priest, and captaine and gouernor of the Iewes and Priests, and to defend them all.

49 So they commanded that this writing should be set in tables of brasse, and that they should be set vp within the compasse of the Sanctuary in a conspicuous place.

50 Also that the copies thereof should be laid vp in the treasury, to the end that Simon and his sons might haue them.

CHAP. XV.

1 Antiochus desireth leaue to passe thorow Iudea, and giueth great honors to Simon and the Iewes. 6 The Romanes write to diuers kings and nations in fauour of the Iewes. 27 Antiochus quarelleth with Simon, 38 and sendeth some to annoy Iudea.

MOreouer, Antiochus sonne of Demetrius the King, sent letters from the yles of the Sea vnto Simon the Priest, and Princes of the Iewes, and to all the people.

2 The contents whereof were these: King Antiochus to Simon the high Priest, and Prince of his nation, and to the people of the Iewes, greeting:

3 Forasmuch as certaine pestilent men haue vsurped the kingdome of our fathers, and my purpose is to challenge it againe, that I may restore it to the old estate, and to that end haue gathered a multitude of forreigne souldiers together, and prepared ships of war,

4 My meaning also being to goe thorow the countrey, that I may be auenged of them that haue destroyed it, and made many cities in the kingdome desolate:

5 Now therefore I confirme vnto thee all the oblations which the kings before me granted thee, and whatsoeuer gifts beside they granted.

6 I giue thee leaue also to coine money for thy countrey with thine owne stampe.

7 And as concerning Ierusalem and the Sanctuary, let them be free, and all the armour that thou hast made, and fortresses that thou hast built, and keepest in thy hands, let them remaine vnto thee.

8 And if any thing be, or shall be owing to the King, let it be forgiuen thee from this time forth for euermore.

9 Furthermore, when we haue obtained our kingdome, we will honour thee and thy nation, and thy Temple with great honour, so that your honour shall be knowne throughout the world.

10 In the hundred threescore and fourteenth yere Antiochus into the land of his fathers, at which time all the forces came together vnto him, that few were left with Tryphon.

11 Wherefore being pursued by King Antiochus he fled vnto Dora, which lieth by the sea side.

12 For he saw that troubles came vpon him all at once, and that his forces had forsaken him.

13 Then camped Antiochus against Dora, hauing with him a hundred and twenty thousand men of warre, and eight thousand horsemen.

14 And when he had compassed the city round about, and ioyned ships close to the towne on the sea side, he vexed the city by land and by sea, neither suffered he any to goe out or in.

15 In the meane season came Numenius, and his company from Rome, hauing letters to the Kings and countreys, wherein were written these things.

16 Lucius Consull of the Romanes, vnto King Ptolomee greeting.

17 The Iewes Ambassadours our friends and confederates, came vnto vs to renew the old friendship and league, being sent from Simon the high Priest and from the people of the Iewes.

18 And they brought a shield of gold of a thousand pound:

19 We thought it good therefore to write vnto the Kings and countreys, that they should do them no harme, nor fight against them, their cities, or countreys, nor yet aid their enemies against them.

20 It seemed also good to vs to receiue the shield of them.

21 If therefore there be any pestilent fellowes that haue fled from their country vnto you, deliuer them vnto Simon the high Priest, that he may punish them according to their owne law.

22 The same thing wrote he likewise vnto Demetrius the King and Attalus, to ‖Ariarathes and Arsaces,

23 And to all the countreys, and to ‖ Sampsames and the Lacedemonians, and to Delos, and Mindus, and Sycion, and Caria, and Samos, and Pamphylia, and Lycia, and Halicarnassus, and Rhodus, and ‖Phaselis, and Cos, and Sidee, and Aradus, and Gortina Cnidus, and Cyprus, and Cyrene.

24 And the copy hereof they wrote to Simon the high Priest.

25 So Antiochus the King camped against Dora the second day, † assaulting it continually, and making engins, by which meanes he shut vp Tryphon that he could neither goe out nor in.

26 At that time Simon sent him two thousand chosen men to aid him: siluer also and gold: and much armour.

27 Nuertheless, he would not receiue them, but brake all the couenants which he had made with him afore, and became strange vnto him.

28 Furthermore, he sent vnto him Athenobius, one of his friends, to commune with him, and say: You withhold Ioppe and Gazara, with the towre that is in Ierusalem, which are cities of my realme.

29 The borders thereof ye haue wasted, and done great hurt in the land, and got the dominion of many places within my kingdome.

30 Now therefore deliuer the cities which ye haue taken, and the tributes of the places whereof ye haue gotten dominion without the borders of Iudea.

31 Or else giue me for them fiue hundred talents of siluer, and for the harme that ye haue done, and the tributes of the cities, other fiue hundred talents: if not, we will come and ‖ fight against you.

32 So Athenobius the Kings friend came to Ierusalem, and when he saw the glory of Simon and the cupboard of gold and siluer plate, and his great attendance, he was astonished, and told him the kings message.

‖ Or, Aarates.
‖ Or, Sampsames. Or Bastias.
† Or, he raised vp his engins.
‖ Or, except he bordered. Or, subdue you in fight.

33 Then answered Simon and said vnto him, We haue neither taken other mens land, nor holden that which appertaineth to others, but the inheritance of our fathers which our enemies had wrongfully in possession a certaine time.

34 Wherefore we hauing opportunity, hold the inheritance of our fathers.

35 And whereas thou demandest Ioppe and Gazara; albeit they did great harme vnto the people in our countrey, yet will we giue an hundred talents for them: Hereunto Athenobius answered him not a word,

36 But returned in a rage to the king, and made report vnto him of these speeches, and of the glory of Simon, and of all that he had seene: whereupon the King was exceeding wroth.

37 In the meane time fled Tryphon by ship vnto Orthosias.

38 Then the King made Cendebeus Captaine of the Sea-coast, and gaue him an hoste of footmen and horsemen.

39 And commanded him to remoue his hoste toward Iudea: also he commanded him to build vp Cedron, and to fortifie the gates, and towar against the people, but as for the King [himselfe] he pursued Tryphon.

40 So Cendebeus came to Iamnia, and began to prouoke the people, and to inuade Iudea, and to take the people prisoners, and slay them.

41 And when he had built vp Cedron, he set horsmen there, and an hoste [of footmen] to the end that issuing out, they might make out-roads vpon the wayes of Iudea, as the King had commanded him.

CHAP. XVI.

3 Iudas and Iohn preuaile against the forces sent by Antiochus. 11 The captaine of Iericho inuiteth Simon, and two of his sonnes into his castle, and there treacherously murdereth them. 19 Iohn is sought for, 22 and escapeth, and killeth those that sought for him.

THen came vp Iohn from Gazara, and told Simon his father what Cendebeus had done.

2 Wherefore Simon called his two eldest sons, Iudas and Iohn, and said vnto them, I and my brethren, and my fathers house, haue euer from our youth vnto this day fought against the enemies of Israel, and things haue prospered so well in our hands, that we haue deliuered Israel often times.

3 But now I am old, and ye [by Gods mercy] are of a sufficient age: Be ye in stead of me and my brother, and goe and fight for our nation, and the helpe from heauen be with you.

4 So he chose out of the country twenty thousand men of warre, with horsemen, who went out against Cendebeus, and rested that night at Modin.

5 And when as they rose in the morning, and went into the plaine, behold a mighty great hoste both of footmen and horsemen came against them: howbeit there was a water-brooke betwixt them.

6 So he and his people pitched ouer against them; and when he saw that the people were afraid to goe ouer the water-brooke, he went first ouer himselfe, and then the men seeing him, passed thorow after him.

7 [That done] he diuided his men, and set the horsemen in the middest of the footmen: for the enemies horsemen were very many.

8 Then sounded they with the holy Trumpets: whereupon Cendebeus and his hoste were put to flight, so that many of them were slaine, and the remnant gat them to the strong hold.

9 At that time was Iudas Iohns brother wounded: but Iohn still followed after them, vntil he came to Cedron, which [Cendebeus] had built.

10 So they fled euen vnto the towers in the fields of Azotus, whereforе he burnt it with fire: So that there were slaine of them about two thousand men. Afterward he returned into the land of Iudea in peace.

11 Moreouer, in the plaine of Iericho, was Ptolemeus the son of Abubus made captaine, and he had abundance of siluer and gold,

12 For he was the high Priests son in law.

13 Wherefore his heart being lifted vp, he thought to get the country to himselfe, and thereupon consulted deceitfully against Simon and his sonnes to destroy them.

14 Now Simon was visiting the cities that were in the countrey, and taking care for the good ordering of them, at which time he came downe himselfe to Iericho with his sons, Mattathias and Iudas, in the hundred threescore and seuenth yeere, in the eleuenth moneth called Sabat.

15 Where the son of Abubus receiuing them deceitfully into a little hold called Dochus, which he had built, made them a great banquet, howbeit he had hid men there.

16 So when Simon and his sonnes had drunke largely, Ptolomee and his men rose vp, and tooke their weapons, and came vpon Simon into the banqueting place, and slew him and his two sons, and certaine of his seruants.

17 In which doing he committed a great treachrie, and recompenced euill for good.

18 Then Ptolomee wrote these things, and sent to the King, that he should send him an hoste to aide him, and he would deliuer him the country and cities.

19 He sent others also to Gazara to kill Iohn, and vnto the † tribunes he sent letters to come vnto him, that he might giue them siluer, and gold, and rewards.

20 And others he sent to take Ierusalem, and the mountaine of the Temple.

21 Now one had run afore to Gazara, and told Iohn that his father and brethren were [done away, and] that he [Ptolomee] hath sent to slay thee also.

22 Hereof when he heard, he was exceeding astonished: So he laid hands on them that were come to destroy him, and slew them; for he knew that they sought to make him away.

23 As concerning the rest of the acts of Iohn, and his wars, and worthy deeds which he did, and the building of the walls which he made, and his doings,

24 Behold, these are written in the Chronicles of his Priesthood, from the time he was made high Priest after his father.

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THE SECOND BOOKE OF THE Maccabees.

CHAP. I.

1 A letter of the Iewes from Ierusalem to them of Egypt to thanke God for the death of Antiochus in the fire that was kindled in the pit. 24 The prayer of Neemias.

THe brethren the Iewes that be at Ierusalem, & in the land of Iudea, wish vnto the brethren the Iewes that are throughout Egypt, health and peace.

2 God be gracious vnto you, and remember his couenant that he made with Abraham, Isaac and Iacob, his faithfull seruants:

3 And giue you all an heart to serue him, and to do his will with a good courage, & a willing mind:

4 And open your hearts in his Law and Commandements and send you peace:

5 And heare your Prayers, and be at one with you, and neuer forsake you in time of trouble.

6 And now we be here praying for you.

7 What time as Demetrius reigned, in the hundred threescore and ninth yere, we the Iewes wrot vnto you in the extremity of trouble, that came vpon vs in those yeeres, from the time that Iason and his company reuolted from the holy land and kingdome,

8 And burnt the porch, and shed innocent blood. Then we prayed vnto the Lord, and were heard: we offered also sacrifices, and fine flowre, and lighted the lampes, and set forth the loaues.

9 And now see that ye keepe the feast of *Tabernacles, in the moneth Casleu.

10 In the hundred fourescore and eight yere, the people that were at Ierusalem, and in Iudea, and the councell, and Iudas, sent greeting and health vnto Aristobulus, King Ptolomeus master, who was of the stocke of the Anoynted Priests, and to the Iewes that were in Egypt.

11 Insomuch as God hath deliuered vs from great perils we thanke him highly, as hauing been in battell against a King.

12 For he cast them out that fought within the holy city.

13 For when the leader was come into Persis, and the army with him that seemed inuincible, they were slaine in the Temple of Nanea, by the deceit of Naneas Priests.

14 For Antiochus as though he would marry her came into the place, and his friends that were with him, to receiue money in name of a dowry.

15 Which when the Priests of Nanea had set forth, and he was entred with a small company into the compasse of the Temple, they shut the Temple alone as Antiochus was come in.

16 And opening a priuy doore of the roofe, they threw stones like thunderbolts, and strooke downe the captaine, hewed them in pieces, smote off their heads, and cast them to those that were without.

17 Blessed be our God in all things, who hath deliuered vp the vngodly.

18 Therefore, whereas we are now purposed to keepe the purification of the Temple vpon the fine and twentieth day of the moneth *Casleu, we thought it necessary to certifie you thereof, that ye also might keepe it as the [feast] of the Tabernacles, and of the fire [which was giuen vs] when Nemias offered sacrifice, after that he had builded the Temple and the Altar.

19 For when our Fathers were led into Persia, the Priests that were then deuout, tooke the fire of the Altar priuily, and hid it in a hollow place of a pit without water, where they kept it sure, so that the place was vnknowne to all men.

20 Now after many yeeres, when it pleased God, Neemias being sent from the King of Persia, did send of the posterity of those Priests that had hid it, to the fire: but when they told vs, they found no fire, but thicke water;

21 Then commanded he them to draw it vp, and to bring it: and when the sacrifices were laid on, Neemias commanded the Priests to sprinkle the wood, & the things laid thereupon with the water.

22 When this was done, and the time came that the Sunne shone, which afore was hid in the cloud, there was a great fire kindled, so that euery man marueiled.

23 And the Priests made a prayer whilest the sacrifice was consuming, [I say] both the Priests and all the rest, Ionathan beginning, and the rest answering thereunto, as Neemias did.

24 And the prayer was after this maner, O Lord, Lord God, Creator of all things, who art fearefull, and strong, and righteous, and mercifull, and the onely and gracious King:

25 The onely giuer of all things, the onely Iust, Almighty, and Euerlasting, thou that deliuerest Israel from all trouble, and didst chuse the Fathers and sanctifie them.

26 Receiue the sacrifice for thy whole people Israel, and preserue thine owne portion, & sanctifie it.

27 Gather those together that are scattered from vs, deliuer them that serue among the heathen, look vpon them that are despised and abhorred, and let the heathen know that thou art our God.

28 Punish them that oppresse vs, and with pride doe vs wrong.

29 Plant thy people againe in thy holy place, as Moses hath spoken.

30 And the Priests sung Psalmes of thanksgiuing.

31 Now when the sacrifice was consumed, Neemias commanded the water that was left, to be powred on the great stones.

32 When this was done, there was kindled a flame: but it was consumed by the light that shined from the Altar.

33 So when this matter was knowne, it was told the King of Persia, that in the place where the Priests that were led away, had hid the fire, there appeared water, and that Neemias had purified the sacrifices therewith. [*Or, Neemias his company.*

34 Then the King inclosing the place, made it holy, after he had eryed the matter.

35 And the King tooke many gifts, and bestowed thereof on those whom he would gratifie.

36 And Neemias called this thing Naphthar, which is as much to say, as a cleansing: but many men call it Nephi.

CHAP. II.

1 What Ieremie the Prophet did. 5 How he hid the Tabernacle, the Arke, and the Altar. 13 What Neemias and Iudas wrote. 20 What Iason wrote in fiue bookes. 25 and how those were abridged by the author of this booke.

IT is also found in the records, that Ieremie the Prophet commanded them that were carried away, to take of the fire, as it hath beene signified.

2 And how that the Prophet hauing giuen them the Law, charged them not to forget the commandements of the Lord, and that they should not erre in their minds when they see images of siluer, and gold, with their ornaments.

3 And with other such speeches exhorted he them that the Law should not depart from their hearts.

4 It was also contained in the same writing, that the Prophet being warned of God, commanded the Tabernacle and the Arke to goe with him as he went forth into the mountaine, where Moses climbed vp, and saw the heritage of God.

5 And when Ieremie came thither, he found an hollow caue, wherein he laid the Tabernacle, and the Arke, and the Altar of incense, and so stopped the doore.

6 And some of those that followed him, came to marke the way, but they could not find it.

7 Which when Ieremie perceiued, he blamed them, saying, As for that place, it shalbe vnknowne, vntill the time that God gather his people againe together, and receiue them vnto mercy.

8 Then shall the Lord shew them these things, and the glory of the Lord shall appeare, and the cloud also as it was shewed vnder Moses, and as when Solomon desired that the place might be honourably sanctified.

9 It was also declared, that he being wise offred the sacrifice of Dedication, and of the finishing of the Temple.

10 And as when Moses prayed vnto the Lord, the fire came downe from heauen, and consumed the sacrifices: euen so prayed Solomon also, and the fire came downe from heauen, and consumed the burnt offerings.

11 And Moses said, because the sinne offring was not to be eaten, it was consumed.

12 So Solomon kept those eight dayes.

13 The same things also were reported in the writings, and commentaries of Neemias, and how he founding a library, gathered together the acts of the Kings and the Prophets, and of Dauid, & the Epistles of the Kings concerning the holy gifts.

14 In like manner also, Iudas gathered together, all those things that were lost, by reason of the warre we had, and they remaine with vs.

15 Wherefore if ye haue need thereof, send some to fetch them vnto you.

16 Whereas we then are about to celebrate the purification, we haue written vnto you, and you shall doe well if ye keepe the same dayes.

17 † We hope also, that the God that deliuered all his people, and gaue them all an heritage, and the Kingdome, and the Priesthood, and the Sanctuary.

18 As he promised in the Law, will shortly haue mercy vpon vs, and gather vs together out of euery land vnder heauen into the holy place: for he hath deliuered vs out of great troubles, and hath purified the place.

19 Now as concerning Iudas Maccabeus, and his brethren, and the purification of the great Temple and the dedication of the Altar,

20 And the warres against Antiochus Epiphanes, and Eupator his sonne,

21 And the manifest signes that came from heauen, vnto those that behaued themselues manfully to their honour for Iudaisme: so that being but a few, they ouercame the whole countrey, and

22 And recouered againe the Temple renowned all the world ouer, and freed the city, and vphelde the Lawes which were going downe, the Lord hauing gracious vnto them with all fauour:

23 All these things (I say) being declared by Iason of Syrene in fiue books, we will assay to abridge in one volume.

24 For considering the infinite number, and the difficulty which they find that desire to looke into the narrations of the story, for the variety of the matter,

25 We haue beene carefull that they that will read, might haue delight, and that they that are desirous to commit to memory, might haue ease, and that all into whose hands it comes, might haue profit.

26 Therefore to vs that haue taken vpon vs the painefull labour of abridging, it was not easie, but a matter of sweat and watching.

27 Euen as it is no ease vnto him that prepareth a banquet, and seeketh the benefit of others: yet for the pleasuring of many, we will vndertake gladly this great paines,

28 Leaning to the author the exact handling of euery particular, and labouring to follow the rules of an abridgment.

29 For as the master-builder of a new house must care for the whole building, but he that vndertaketh to set it out, and paint it, must seeke out fit things for the adorning thereof: euen so I thinke it is with vs.

30 To stand vpon euery point, and goe ouer things at large, and to be curious in particulars belonging to the first author of the story,

31 But to vse breuity, and auoid much labour of the worke is to be granted to him that will make an abridgment.

32 Here then will we begin the story, only adding thus much to that which hath been said, that it is a foolish thing to make a long prologue, and to be short in the story it selfe.

CHAP. III.

1 Of the honour done to the Temple by the Kings of the Gentiles, 4 Simon witnesseth what treasure are in the Temple. 7 Heliodorus is sent to take them away. 24 He is stricken of God, and healed at the prayer of Onias.

NOw when the holy city was inhabited with all peace, and the Lawes were kept very well, because of the godlinesse of Onias the high Priest, and his hatred of wickednesse,

2 It came to passe, that euen the kings themselues did honour the place, and magnifie the Temple with their best gifts,

3 Insomuch that Seleucus King of Asia, of his owne reuenewes, bare all the costs belonging to the seruice of the sacrifices.

4 But one Simon of the tribe of Beniamin, who was made gouernour of the Temple, fell out with the high Priest about disorder in the city.

5 And when he could not ouercome Onias, he came to Apollonius the son of Thraseas, who then was gouernour of Cœlosyria and Phœnice,

6 And told him that the treasury in Ierusalem was full of infinite summes of money, so that the multitude of their riches, which did not pertaine to the account of the sacrifices, was innumerable, and that it was possible to bring all into the kings hand.

7 Now when Apollonius came to the King, and had shewed him of the money, whereof he was

† Or, now God is thankfull to his people, and rendred the heritage and the kingdome, and the Priesthood, and the Sanctuary, as he promised in the Law, I or we hope in God that he will shortly, &c.

the King chose out Heliodorus his treasurer, sent him with a commandement to bring him aforesaid money.

So foorthwith Heliodorus tooke his iourney vnder a colour of visiting the cities of Cœlosyria and Phenice, but indeed to fulfill the kings purpose.

And when he was come to Ierusalem, and had courteously received of the high Priest of the citie, he told him what intelligence was giuen of the money, and declared wherefore he came, and required if these things were so indeed.

Then the high Priest told him that there was money laid vp for the reliefe of widowes, and for the reliefe children.

And that some of it belonged to Hircanus, son of Tobias, a man of great dignity, and not as that wicked Simon had misinformed: the sum whereof in all was foure hundred talents of siluer, and two hundred of gold;

And that it was altogether impossible that such wrong should bee done vnto them that had committed it to the holinesse of the place, and to the maiestie and inuiolable sanctity of the Temple honoured ouer all the world.

But Heliodorus, because of the Kings commandement giuen him, said, that in any wise it must be brought into the Kings treasury.

So at the day which he appointed, he entred into order this matter: wherefore there was no small agony thorowout the whole citie.

But the Priests prostrating themselues before the altar in their Priests vestments, called vnto heauen, vpon him that made a Law concerning things giuen to be kept, that they should safely be kept for such as had committed them to bee kept.

Then whoso had looked the high Priest in the face, it would haue wounded his heart: for his countenance, and the changing of his colour declared the inward agony of his mind:

For the man was so compassed with feare and horror of the body, that it was manifest to them that looked vpon him, what sorrow he had now in his heart.

Others came flocking out of their houses to the generall supplication, because the place was like to come into contempt.

And the women girt with sackecloth vnder their breasts, abounded in the streets, and the virgins that were kept in, ran, some to the gates, and some to the walles, and others looked out of the windowes:

All had all holding their hands towards heauen, made supplication.

Then it would haue pitied a man to see the falling downe of the multitude of all sorts, and the feare of the high Priest being in such an agony.

They then called vpon the almighty Lord, to keep the things committed of trust, safe and sure for those that had committed them.

Nathelesse, Heliodorus executed that which was decreed.

Now as he was there present himselfe with his guard, about the treasury, the Lord of spirits, and the Prince of all power, caused a great apparition: so that all that presumed to come in with him were astonished at the power of God, and fainted, and were sore afraid.

For there appeared vnto them a horse, with a terrible rider vpon him, and adorned with a very fayre couering, and he ran fiercely, and smote at Heliodorus with his fore feet, and it seemed that he that sate vpon the horse, had compleat harnesse of gold.

26 Moreouer, two other young men appeared before him, notable in strength, excellent in beauty, and comely in apparell, who stood by him on either side, and scourged him continually, and gaue him many sore stripes.

27 And Heliodorus fell suddenly to the ground, and was compassed with great darkenesse, but they that were with him tooke him vp, and put him into a Litter.

28 Thus him that lately came with a great traine and with all his guard into the said treasury, they caried out, being vnable to helpe himselfe with his weapons: and manifestly they acknowledged the power of God.

29 For hee by the hand of God was cast downe, and lay speechlesse, without all hope of life.

30 But they praised the Lord that had miraculously honoured his owne place: for the Temple, which a little afore was full of feare and trouble, when the almighty Lord appeared, was filled with ioy and gladnesse.

31 Then straightwayes certaine of Heliodorus friends prayed Onias, that he would call vpon the most High, to grant him his life, who lay ready to giue vp the ghost.

32 So the high Priest suspecting lest the King should misconceiue that some treachery had beene done to Heliodorus by the Iewes, offered a sacrifice for the health of the man.

33 Now as the high Priest was making an atonement, the same yong men, in the same clothing appeared, and stood beside Heliodorus, saying, Giue Onias the high Priest great thanks, insomuch as for his sake the Lord hath granted thee life.

34 And seeing that thou hast been scourged from heauen, declare vnto all men the mighty power of God: and when they had spoken these words, they appeared no more.

35 So Heliodorus after hee had offered sacrifice vnto the Lord, and made great vowes vnto him that had saued his life, and saluted Onias, returned with his hoste to the King.

36 Then testified hee to all men the workes of the great God, which he had seene with his eyes.

37 And when the King asked Heliodorus, who might be a fit man to be sent yet once againe to Ierusalem, he said,

38 If thou hast any enemy or traitour, send him thither, and thou shalt receiue him well scourged, if hee escape with his life: for in that place, no doubt there is an especiall power of God.

39 For he that dwelleth in heauen, hath his eye on that place, and defendeth it, and he beateth and destroyeth them that come to hurt it.

40 And the things concerning Heliodorus, and the keeping of the treasury, fell out on this sort.

CHAP. IIII.

1 *Simon slandereth Onias.* 7 *Iason by corrupting the King, obtaineth the Office of the high Priest.* 24 *Menelaus getteth the same from Iason by the like corruption.* 34 *Andronicus traiterously murthereth Onias.* 36 *The King being informed thereof causeth Andronicus to be put to death.* 39 *The wickednesse of Lysimachus, by the instigation of Menelaus.*

THis Simon now (of whom wee spake afore) hauing beene a bewrayer of the money, and of his country, slandred Onias, as if he had terrified Heliodorus, and beene the worker of these euils.

2 Thus

2 Thus was he bold to call him a traitour, that had deserued well of the city, and tendred his owne nation, and was so zealous of the lawes.

3 But when their hatred went so far, that by one of Simons faction, murthers were committed.

4 Onias seeing the danger of this contention, and that Apollonius, as being the Gouernour of Cœlosyria and Phenice, did rage, and increase Simons malice,

5 He went to the King, not to be an accuser of his countreymen, but seeking the good of all, both publike and priuate.

6 For hee saw that it was impossible, that the state should continue quiet, and Simon leaue his folly, vnlesse the King did looke thereunto.

7 But after the death of Seleucus, when Antiochus called Epiphanes, tooke the kingdome, Iason, the brother of Onias laboured vnder-hand to bee high Priest.

8 Promising vnto the king by intercession, three hundred and threescore talents of siluer, and of another reuenue, eightie talents:

9 Besides this, he promised to assigne an hundred and fiftie more, if he might haue licence to set him vp a place for exercise, and for the training vp of youth in the fashions of the heathen, and to write them of Ierusalem [or by the name of] Antiochians.

10 Which when the King had granted, and he had gotten into his hand the rule, hee foorthwith brought his owne nation to the Greekish fashion.

11 And the royall priuiledges granted of speciall fauor to the Iewes, by the means of Iohn the father of Eupolemus, who went Ambassador to Rome for amity and aide, he tooke away, and putting downe the gouernments which were according to the law, he brought vp new customes against the law.

12 For he built gladly a place of exercise vnder the tower it selfe, and brought the chiefe yong men vnder his subiection, and made them weare a hat.

13 Now such was the height of Greeke fashions, and increase of heathenish manners, through the exceeding prophanenes of Iason, that vngodly wretch and not high Priest:

14 That the Priests had no courage to serue any more at the Altar, but despising the Temple, and neglecting the sacrifices, hastned to be partakers of the vnlawfull allowance in the place of exercise, after the game of [Discus called them forth:

15 Not setting by the honors of their fathers, but liking the glory of the Grecians best of all.

[Or, the Discus, which was a stone with an hole in the midst.

16 By reason whereof sore calamity came vpon them, for they had them to be their enemies and auengers, whose customes they followed so earnestly, & vnto whom they desired to be like in all things.

17 For it is not a light thing to doe wickedly against the lawes of God, but the time following shall declare these things.

18 Now when the game that was vsed euery fifth yeere was kept at Tyrus, the king being present,

[Greeke were religious Embassadors

19 This vngracious Iason sent speciall messengers from Ierusalē, who were Antiochians, to carry three hundred drachmes of siluer to the sacrifice of Hercules, which euen the bearers thereof, thought fit not to bestow vpon the sacrifice, because it was not conuenient, but to be reserued for other charges.

20 This money then in regard of the sender, was appointed to Hercules sacrifice, but because of the bearers thereof, it was imployed to the making of galles.

[Or, instrumenting.

21 Now when Apollonius the son of Manasthaus was sent vnto Egypt, for the [coronation of King Ptolome is Philometor, Antiochus vnderstanding him not to be well affected to his affaires, prouided for his owne safety: where vpon he came to Ioppe, and from thence to Ierusalem:

22 Where he was honourably receiued of Iason and of the city, and was brought in with torch-light, and with great shoutings: and so afterward went with his hoste vnto Phenice.

23 Three yeeres afterward, Iason sent Menelaus the aforesaid Simons brother, to beare the money vnto the King, and to put him in minde of certaine necessary matters.

24 But he being brought to the presence of the King, when he had magnified him, for the glorious appearance of his power, got the Priesthood to himselfe, offering more then Iason by three hundred talents of siluer.

25 So he came with the Kings mandate, bringing nothing worthy the high Priesthood, but hauing the fury of a cruell tyrant, & the rage of a sauage beast.

26 Then Iason, who had vndermined his own brother, being vndermined by another, was compelled to flee into the countrey of the Ammonites.

27 So Menelaus got the principality: but as for the money that he had promised vnto the King, he tooke no good order for it, albeit Sostratus the ruler of the Castle required it.

28 For vnto him appertained the gathering of the customes. Wherefore they were both called before the King.

29 Now Menelaus left his brother Lysimachus in his stead in the Priesthood, and Sostratus left Crates who was gouernour of the Cyprians.

30 While those things were in doing, they of Tharsus and Mallos made insurrection, because they were giuen to ſ Kings concubine called Antiochis.

31 Then came the King in all haste to appease matters, leauing Andronicus a man in authority for his deputy.

32 Now, Menelaus supposing that he had gotten a conuenient time, stole certaine vessels of gold out of the Temple, and gaue some of them to Andronicus, and some he sold into Tyrus, and the cities round about.

33 Which when Onias knew of a surety, he reproued him, and withdrew himself into a Sanctuary at Daphne that lieth by Antioch.

34 Wherefore Menelaus taking Andronicus apart prayed him to get Onias into his hands, who being perswaded thereunto, and comming to Onias in deceit, gaue him his right hand with oth, & though he were suspected (by him) yet perswaded he him to come foorth of the Sanctuary: who forthwith he thut vp without regard of iustice.

35 For the which cause, not onely the Iewes, but many also of other nations tooke great indignation, and were much grieued for the vniust murther of the man.

36 And when the King was come againe from the places about Cilicia, the Iewes that were in the citie, and certaine of the Greekes that abhorred fact also, complained because Onias was slain without cause.

37 Therefore Antiochus was heartily sorry, and moued to pity, and wept, because of the sober and modest behauiour of him that was dead.

38 And being kindled with anger, forthwith tooke away Andronicus his purple, and rent off his clothes, and leading him through the whole camp vnto that very place, where he had committed impiety against Onias: there slew he the cursed murtherer. Thus the Lord rewarded him his punishment as he had deserued.

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Now when many sacrileges had beene committed in the city by Lysimachus, with the consent of Menelaus, and the bruit thereof was spread abroad, the multitude gathered themselues together against Lysimachus, many vessels of gold being already carried away.

Whereupon the common people rising, and being filled with rage, Lysimachus armed about three thousand men, and began first to offer violence, Auranus, being the leader, a man far gone in yeers, and no lesse in folly.

They then seeing the attempt of Lysimachus, some of them caught stones, some clubs, others tooke handfuls of dust that was next at hand, cast them altogether vpon Lysimachus, and those that withstood them.

Thus many of them they wounded, and some they broke to the ground, and all [of them] they put to flight: but as for the Church-robber himself, him they killed beside the treasury.

Of these matters therefore there was an accusation laid against Menelaus.

Now when the King came to Tyrus, three men that were sent from the Senate, pleaded the cause before him.

But Menelaus being now convicted, promised Ptolomee the son of Dorymenes, to giue him much money, if he would pacifie the King towards him.

Whereupon Ptolomee taking the King aside into a certaine gallery, as it were to take the aire, brought him to be of another minde:

Insomuch that he discharged Menelaus from the accusations, who notwithstanding was cause of all the mischiefes: and those poore men, who if they had told their cause, yea, before the Scythians, should haue beene iudged innocent, them he commanded to death.

Thus they that followed the matter for the citie, and for the people, and for the holy vessels, did soone suffer vniust punishment:

Wherefore euen they of Tyrus, moued with hatred of that wicked deed, caused them to be honorably buried.

And so through the couetousnes of them that were in power, Menelaus remained still in authority, increasing in malice, and being a great traitour to the citizens.

CHAP. V.

Of the signes and tokens seene in Ierusalem. 6 The cruelty and wickednesse of Iason. 11 The punishment of Antiochus against the Iewes. 15 The spoiling of the Temple. 27 Maccabeus flieth into the wilderness.

About the same time, Antiochus prepared his second voyage into Egypt:

And then it happened that thorow all the citie, for the space almost of forty dayes, there were seen horses running in the ayre in cloth of gold, and armed with lances like a band of souldiers,

And troupes of horsemen in aray, encountring and running one against another, with shaking of shields, and multitude of [pikes, and drawing of swords, and casting of darts, and glittering of golden ornaments, and harnesse of all sorts.

Wherefore euery man prayed, that that apparition might turne to good.

Now when there was gone forth a false rumor as though Antiochus had beene dead, Iason tooke at the least a thousand men, and suddenly made an assault vpon the city, and they that were vpon the wall being put backe, and the city at length taken, Menelaus fled into the Castle:

6 But Iason slew his own citizens without mercy (not considering that to get the day of them of his owne nation, would be a most vnhappy day for him: but thinking *they had beene his enemies*, and not his countrey men, whom he conquered.)

7 Howbeit for all this he obtained not the principality, but at the last receiued shame for the reward of his treason, and fled againe into the countrey of the Ammonites.

8 In the end therefore he had an vnhappy return, being accused before Aretas, the king of the Arabians, fleeing from city to city, pursued of all men, hated as a forsaker of the lawes, and beinghad in abomination, as an open [enemy of his countrey, and countrey men, he was cast out into Egypt. [Or, executioner.

9 Thus he that had driuen many out of their countrey, perished in a strange land, retiring to the Lacedemonians, and thinking there to find succour by reason of his kindred.

10 And he that had cast out many vnburied, had none to mourne for him, nor any solemne funerals at all, nor sepulchre with his fathers.

11 Now when this that was done, came to the Kings eare, he thought that Iudea had reuolted: whereupon remouing out of Egypt in a furious minde, he tooke the city by force of armes,

12 And commanded his men of war not to spare such as they met, and to slay such as went vp vpon the houses.

13 Thus there was killing of yong and old, making away of men, women, and children, slaying of virgins and infants.

14 And there were destroyed within the space of three whole dayes, fourescore thousand, whereof forty thousand were slaine in the conflict, and no fewer sold then slaine.

15 Yet was he not content with this, but presumed to goe into the most holy Temple of all the world, Menelaus that traitour to the lawes, and to his owne country, being his guide.

16 And taking the holy vessels with polluted hands, and with profane hands pulling downe the things that were dedicated by other kings to the augmentation, and glory, and honour of the place, he gaue them away.

17 And so haughty was Antiochus in minde, that he considered not that the Lord was angry for a while, for the sins of them that dwelt in the city, and therefore his eye was not vpon the place.

18 For had they not beene formerly wrapped in many sinnes, this man assoone as he had come, had forthwith beene scourged, and put backe from his presumption, as Heliodorus was, whom Seleucus the King sent to view the treasury.

19 Neuertheless, God did not chuse the people for the places sake, but the place for the peoples sake.

20 And therefore the place it selfe that was partaker with them of the aduersities that happened to the nation, did afterwards communicate in the benefits sent from the Lord: and as it was forsaken in the wrath of the Almighty, so againe, the great Lord being reconciled, it was set vp with all glory.

21 So when Antiochus had caried out of the temple, a thousand and eight hundred talents, he departed in all hast into Antiochia, weening in his pride to make the land nauigable, and the sea passeable by foot, such was the haughtinesse of his minde.

22 And he left gouernours to vex the nation: at Ierusalem, Philip; for his country a Phrygian, and for manners, more barbarous then he that set him there.

23 And

23 And at Garizim Andronicus, and besides Menelaus, who worse then all the rest, bare an heavy hand over the citizens, having a malicious minde against his countrey men the Iewes.

24 He sent also that detestable ring-leader, Apollonius, with an army of two and twenty thousand, commanding him to slay all those ‖were in their best age, and to sell the women and the yonger sort†

25 Who comming to Ierusalem, and pretending peace, did for a time beare til the holy day of the Sabbath, when taking the Iewes keeping holy day, he commanded his men to arme themselues

26 And so he slew all them that were gone to the celebrating of the Sabbath, and running thorow the city with weapons slew great multitudes.

† Greeke, who was the tenth

27 But Iudas Maccabeus, † with nine others, or there about, withdrew himselfe into the wildernes, and lived in the mountaines, after the manner of beasts with his company, who fed on herbes continually, lest they should be partakers of the pollution.

CHAP. VI.

1 The Iewes are compelled to leave the Law of God. 4 The Temple is defiled. 8 Cruelty upon the people, and the women. 12 An exhortation to beare affliction, by the example of the valiant courage of Eleazarus, cruelly tortured.

‖ Antioch: the Latine interpreters

NOt long after this the king sent an old man of ‖Athens, to compell the Iewes no depart from the Lawes of their fathers, and not to live after the Lawes of God:

2 And to pollute also the Temple in Ierusalem, and to call it the Temple of Iupiter Olympius: and that in Garizim, of Iupiter the defender of strangers, as they ‖ did desire that dwelt in the place.

‖ Out of Ios. li. 12. cap. 7. or as they were.

3 The comming in of this mischiefe was sore and grievous to the people:

4 For the Temple was filled with riot and revelling by the Gentiles, who dallied with harlots, and had to doe with women, within the circuit of the holy places, and besides that, brought in things that were not lawfull.

5 The Altar also was filled with profane things which the Law forbiddeth.

6 Neither was it lawfull for a man to keep Sabbath dayes, or ancient feasts, or to professe himselfe at all to be a Iew.

7 And in the day of the kings birth, every moneth they were brought by bitter constraint to eat of the sacrifices; and when the feast of Bacchus was kept, the Iewes were compelled to go in procession to Bacchus, carrying Iuy.

8 Moreouer, there went out a decree to the neighbour cities of the † heathen, by the suggestion of Ptolomee, against the Iewes, that they should observe the same fashions, and be partakers of their sacrifices.

† Greeke, Grecians.

9 And whoso would not conforme themselues to the maners of the Gentiles, should be put to death: then might a man haue seene the present misery.

10 For there were two women brought, who had circumcised their children, whom when they had openly led round about the city, the babes hanging at their brests, they cast them downe headlong from the wall.

11 And others that had run together into caues, neare by, to keepe the Sabbath day secretly, being discouered to Philip, were all burnt together, because they made a conscience to helpe themselues, for the honour of the most sacred day.

12 Now I beseech those that reade this book, that they be not discouraged for these calamities, but that they iudge those punishments not to bee destruction, but for a chastening of our nation.

13 For it is a token of his great goodnesse, when wicked doers are not suffered any long time, but forthwith punished.

14 For not as with other nations whom the L patiently forbeareth to punish, till they be c to the fulnesse of their sins, so dealeth he with

15 Lest that being come to the height of si terwards he should take vengeance of vs.

16 And therfore he never withdraweth his m cy from vs: and though he punish with adver yet doth he never forsake his people.

17 But let this that we haue spoken, be for a w ning vnto vs: and now will we come to the de ring of the matter in few words.

18 Eleazar one of the principall Scribes, an a man, and of a well fauoured countenance, was strained to open his mouth, and to eat swines fl

19 But he chusing rather to die gloriously, t to liue stained with such an abomination, spa forth, and came of his own accord to the torm

20 As it behoued them to come that are r lute to stand out against such things, as are not l full for loue of life to be tasted.

21 But they that had the charge of that wic feast, for the old acquaintance they had with man, taking him aside, besought him to bring of his owne prouision, such as was lawfull for to vse, and make as if he did eate of the flesh ken from the sacrifice commanded by the Kin

22 That in so doing, he might be deliuered f death, and for the old friendship with them favour.

23 But he began to consider discreetly, and a cause his age, & the excellency of his ancient and the honour of his gray head, whereunto he come, and his most honest education from a c or rather the holy law made, and giuen by G Therefore he answered accordingly, and w them straightwaies to send him to the grav

24 For it becometh not our age, said he, in any to dissemble, whereby many young persons m thinke, that Eleazar being fourescore yeeres old ten, were now gone to a strange religion:

25 And so they through mine hypocrisie, an a fire to line a little time, and a moment lo should be deceiued by mee, and I get a stain mine old age, and make it abominable.

26 For though for the present time I shoul deliuered from the punishment of men: yet I not escape the hand of the Almighty, neith liue nor dead.

27 Wherefore now manfully changing this I will shew my selfe such an one as my age re reth,

28 And leaue a notable example to such a young to die willingly and courageously, for honourable and holy Lawes: and when he ha these words, immediatly he went to the tor

29 They that led him, changing the good they bare him a little before, into hatred, be the foresaid speeches proceeded as they tho from a ‖ desperate mind.

30 But when he was ready to die with stri groaned, and said, It is manifest vnto the that hath the holy knowledge, that whe might haue been deliuered from death, [so dure sore paines in body b, being beaten b soule am well content to suffer these thing cause I feare him.

31 And thus this man died leauing his death

...leof a noble courage, and a memoriall ...; not onely vnto young men, but vnto all ...

CHAP. VII.

...nfluency and cruell death of seuen brethren ...r mother in one day, because they would not ...s fish as the Kings commandement.

...ame to passe also that seuen brethren with ...r mother were taken, and compelled by the ...against the Law, to taste swines flesh, and were ...ted with scourges and whips:

...e one of them that spake first, said thus, ...t wouldest thou aske, or learne of vs? we are ...o die, rather then to transgresse the lawes ...r Fathers.

...Then the King being in a rage, commanded ...ad cauldrons to be made hote.

...Which so, thwith being heated, he commanded out the tongue of him that spake first, ...ut off the vtmost parts of his body, the ...of his brethren, and his mother looking on.

...Now when he was thus maimed in all his ...bers, he commanded him, being yet aliue, to be ...ke to the fire, and to be fryed in the pan: and ...e vapour of the pan was for a good space dis...ad: they exhorted one another, with the mother, ...e manfully, saying thus:

...The Lord God looketh vpon vs, and in trueth ...th comfort in vs, as [b] Moses in his song, which ...fied to their faces, declared saying, And he ...e comforted in his seruants.

...So when the first was dead, after this manner ...ought the second, to make him a mocking ...ock: and when they had pulled off the skin of ...ead with the haire, they asked him, Wilt thou ...fore thou be punished thorowout euery mem...of thy body?

...But he answered in his owne language, and ...id, Whereforе he also receiued the next tor...ment after the former did.

...And when he was at the last gaspe, he said, ...Like a fury takest vs out of this present life: ...e King of the world shall raise vs vp, who ...ied for his Lawes, vnto euerlasting life.

...After him was the third made a mocking stock, ...and when he was required he put out his tongue, and ...right soone, holding forth his hands manfully, ...And said courageously; These I had from ...ven, and for his Lawes I despise them, and from ...hope to receiue them againe.

...Insomuch that the King, and they that were ...with him, maruelled at the young mans courage; ...for he nothing regarded the paines.

...Now when this man was dead also, they tor...mented and mangled the fourth in like manner.

...So when he was ready to die, he said thus, It ...is good thing put to death by men, to looke for ...hope from God to be raised vp againe by him; as ...for thee, thou shalt haue no resurrection to life.

...Afterward they brought the fifth also, and ...vexed him.

...Then looked he vnto the King, and said, Thou ...hast power ouer men, thou art corruptible, thou ...doest what thou wilt, yet thinke not that our nati...on is forsaken of God.

...But abide a while, and behold his great power, ...how he will torment thee and thy seed.

...After him also they brought the sixth, who be...ing ready to die, said, Be not deceiued without ...cause: for we suffer these things for our selues, ha...uing sinned against our God. Therefore maruel...lous things are done (vnto vs.)

19 But think not thou that takest in hand to striue against God, that thou shalt escape vnpunished.

20 But the mother was marueilous aboue all, and worthy of honourable memory: for when she saw her seuen sonnes slaine within the space of one day, shee bare it with a good courage, because of the hope that she had in the Lord.

21 Yea, she exhorted euery one of them in her owne language, filled with couraglous spirits, and stirring vp her womanish thoughts, with a manly stomacke she said vnto them,

22 I cannot tell how ye came into my wombe: for I neither gaue you breath nor life, neither was it I that formed the members of euery one of you.

23 But doubtlesse the Creator of the world, who formed the generation of man, and found out the beginning of all things, will also of his owne mercy giue you breath and life againe, as you now regard not your owne selues for his Lawes sake.

24 Now Antiochus thinking himselfe despised, and suspecting it to be a reprochfull speech, whiles the youngest was yet aliue, did not onely exhort him by words, but also assured him with oathes, that he would make him both a rich and a happy man, if he would turne from the lawes of his fathers, and that also hee would take him for his friend, and trust him with affaires.

25 But when the young man would in no case hearken vnto him, the King called his mother, and exhorted her that she would counsell the young man to saue his life.

26 And when he had exhorted her with many words, she promised him that she would counsell her sonne.

27 But shebewing her selfe towards him, laughing the cruell tyrant to scorne, spake in her country language on this manner; O my sonne, haue pitie vpon mee, that bare thee nine moneths in my wombe, and gaue thee sucke three yeeres, and nourished thee, and brought thee vp vnto this age, and endured the trobles of education:

28 I beseech thee, my sonne, looke vpon the heauen and the earth, and all that is therein, and consider that God made them of things that were not, and so was mankind made likewise;

29 Feare not this tormentor, But being worthy of thy brethren, take thy death that I may receiue thee againe in mercy with thy brethren.

30 Whiles she was yet speaking these words, the young man said, Whom wait ye for? I will not obey the Kings commandement: but I will obey the commandement of the Law that was giuen vnto our fathers by Moises.

31 And thou that hast beene the author of all mischiefe against the Hebrewes, shalt not escape the hands of God.

32 For we suffer because of our sinnes.

33 And though the liuing Lord be angry with vs a little while for our chastening and correction, yet shall he be at one againe with his seruants.

34 But thou, O godlesse man, and of all other most wicked: be not lifted vp without a cause, nor puffed vp with vncertaine hopes, lifting vp thy hand against the seruants of God;

35 For thou hast not yet escaped the Iudgement of Almighty God, who seeth all things.

36 For our brethren who now haue suffered a short paine, are dead vnder Gods Couenant of euerlasting life: but thou through the iudgement of God, shalt receiue iust punishment for thy pride.

37 But I, as my brethren, offer vp my body and life, for the lawes of our Fathers, beseeching God, that

that he would ſpeedily be merciſull vnto our nation, and that thou by torments and plagues mayeſt confeſſe that he alone is God;

38 And that in me and my brethren, the wrath of the Almighty, which is iuſtly brought vpon all our nation, may ceaſe.

39 Then the King being in a rage, handled him worſe then all the reſt, and tooke it grieuously that he was mocked.

40 So this man died vndefiled, and put his whole truſt in the Lord.

41 Laſt of all, after the ſonnes, the mother died.

42 Let this be enough now to haue ſpoken concerning the idolatrous feaſts, and the extreame tortures.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Iudas gathereth an hoſte. 9 Nicanor is ſent againſt him: who preſumeth to make much money of his priſoners. 16 Iudas encouraged his men, and putteth Nicanor to flight: 28 and diuideth the ſpoiles. 30 Other enemies are alſo defeated: 35 And Nicanor fleeth with griefe to Antioch.

THen Iudas Maccabeus, and they that were with him went priuily into the townes, and called their kinſefolkes together, and tooke vnto them all ſuch as continued in the Iewes religion, and aſſembled about ſixethouſand men.

2 And they called vpon the Lord, that he would looke vpon the people that was troden downe of all, and alſo pitie the Temple profaned of vngodly men,

3 And that he would haue compaſsion vpon the citty ſore defaced, and ready to be made euen with the ground, and heare the blood that cryed vnto him,

4 And remember the wicked ſlaughter of harmeleſſe infants, and the blaſphemies committed againſt his Name, and that he would ſhew his hatred againſt the wicked.

5 Now when Maccabeus had his company about him, he could not be withſtood by the heathen: for the wrath of the Lord was turned into mercy.

6 Therefore he came at vnawares, and burnt vp townes and cities, and got into his hands the moſt commodious places, and ouercame and put to flight no ſmall number of his enemies.

7 But ſpecially tooke he aduantage of the night, for ſuch priuy attempts, inſomuch that the bruit of his manlineſſe was ſpread euery where.

8 So when Philip ſaw that this man increaſed by little and little, and that things proſpered with him ſtill more and more, he wrote vnto Ptolomeus the gouernour of Cœloſyria and Phenice, to yeeld more aid to the Kings affaires.

9 Then forthwith chooſing Nicanor the ſonne of Patroclus, one of his ſpeciall friends, hee ſent him with no fewer then twenty thouſand of all nations vnder him, to root out the whole generation of the Iewes, and with him he ioyned alſo Gorgias a captaine, who in matters of warre had great experience.

10 So Nicanor vndertooke to make ſo much money of the captiue Iewes, as ſhould defray the tribute of two thouſand talents, which the King was to pay to the Romanes.

11 Wherefore immediately he ſent to the cities vpon the Sea coaſt, proclaiming a ſale of the captiue Iewes, and promiſing that they ſhould haue foureſcore and ten bodies for one talent, not expecting the vengeance that was to follow vpon him from the Almighty God.

12 Now when word was brought vnto Iudas of Nicanors comming, & he had imparted vnto that were with him, that the army was at ha

13 They that were fearefull, and diſtruſte iuſtice of God, fled and conueyed themſelues

14 Others ſold all that they had left, and all beſought the Lord to deliuer them, bein by the wicked Nicanor before they met toge

15 And if not for their owne ſakes, yet fo couenants he had made with their fathers, a his holy and glorious Name ſake, by which were called.

16 So Maccabeus called his men together, the number of ſixe thouſand, and exhorted not to be ſtricken with terror of the enemy, feare the great multitude of the heathen, who wrongfully againſt them, but to fight manfull

17 And to ſet before their eyes the iniury they had vniuſtly done to the holy place, a cruell handling of the city, whereof they m mockery, and alſo the taking away of the gou ment of their forefathers:

18 For they, ſaid he, truſt in their weapon boldneſſe, but our confidence is in the Almi God, who at a beck can caſt downe both them came againſt vs, and alſo all the world.

19 Moreouer, he recounted vnto them what their forefathers had found, and how they wer liuered, when vnder Senacherib an hundred ſcore and fiue thouſand periſhed.

20 And he told them of the battel that the in Babylon with the Galatians, how they cam eight thouſand in all to the buſineſſe, with thouſand Macedonians, and that the Macedo being perplexed, the eight thouſand deſtroy hundred and twenty thouſand, becauſe of the that they had from heauen, and ſo receiued a bootie.

21 Thus when he had made them bold with words, and ready to die for the Lawes, an countrey, he diuided his army into foure part

22 And ioyned with himſelfe his owne bre leaders of each band, to wit, Simon, and Ioſ and Ionathan, giuing each one fifteene hu men.

23 Alſo (he appointed) Eleazar to read th booke: and when hee had giuen them this w word, The helpe of God, himſelfe leading th band, he ioyned battell with Nicanor:

24 And by the helpe of the Almighty they abone nine thouſand of their enemies, and ded, and maimed the moſt part of Nicanors and ſo put all to flight.

25 And tooke their money that came t them, and purſued them farre: but lacking they returned.

26 For it was the day before the Sabbath therefore they would no longer purſue them.

27 So when they had gathered their armo gether, and ſpoiled their enemies, they occ themſelues about the Sabbath, yeelding ex praiſe and thankes to the Lord, who had pre them vnto that day, which was the begin mercy diſtilling vpon them.

28 And after the Sabbath, when they had part of the ſpoiles to the maimed, and t dowes, and orphanes, the reſidue they diui mong themſelues, and their ſeruants.

29 When this was done, and they had m common ſupplication, they beſought the mo Lord to be reconciled with his ſeruants for

30 Moreouer, of thoſe that were with Ti us and Bachides, who fought againſt the

...ame twenty thousand, and very easily got
...and strong holds, and diuided amongst them-
...many spoiles more, and made the ‖ maimed,
...ers, widowes, yea, and the aged also, equall
...ules with themselues.

And when they had gathered their armour
...ther, they laid them vp all carefully in conue-
...places, and the remnant of the spoyles they
...ght to Ierusalem.

They slew also Philarches that wicked per-
...who was with Timotheus, and had annoyed
...ews many wayes.

Furthermore, at such time as they kept the
...for the victory in their countrey, they burnt
...Chenes, that had set fire vpon the holy gates,
...was fled into a little house, and so hee recei-
...reward meet for his wickednesse.

...as for that most vngracious Nicanor, who had
...e a thousand merchants to buy the Iewes,
...he was through the helpe of the Lord, brought
...ue by them of whom he made least account, and
...ing off his glorious apparell, and discharging
...company, he came like a fugitiue seruant tho-
...the mid land vnto Antioch, hauing very great
...mour, for that his hoste was destroyed.

...Thus he that tooke vpon him to make good
...the Romanes their tribute, by meanes of the
...ues in Ierusalem, told abroad, that the Iewes
...God to fight for them, and therefore they
...ld not be hurt, because they followed the Lawes
...he gaue them.

CHAP. IX.

*Antiochus is chased from Persepolis. 5 He is
...ken with a sore disease. 14 and promiseth to
...me a Iew. 28 He dieth miserably.*

...About that time came Antiochus with ‖ disho-
...nour out of the countrey of Persia,

...For he had entred the city, called Persepolis,
...went about to rob the Temple, and to hold the
...n, whereupon the multitude running to defend
...selues with their weapons, put them to flight,
...so it happened, that Antiochus being put to
...ght of the inhabitants, returned with shame.

...Now when he came to Ecbatane, newes was
...ought him what had happened vnto Nicanor and
...Timotheus.

...Then swelling with anger, hee thought to a-
...enge vpon the Iewes the disgrace done vnto him
...by those that made him flee. Therefore comman-
...ded his charetman, to driue without ceasing,
...and dispatch the iourney, the iudgement of God
...now following him, For he had spoken proudly in
...his sort, That he would come to Ierusalem and
...make it a common burying place of the Iewes.

...But the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel
...smote him with an incurable and inuisible plague:
...for assone as he had spoken these words, a paine
...of the bowels, that was remediless, came vpon
...him, and sore torments of the inner parts:

...And that most iustly: for he had tormented
...other mens bowels with many and strange tor-
...ments.

...Howbeit, hee nothing at all ceased from his
...arrogancy, but still was filled with pride, breathing
...fire in his rage against the Iewes, and commun-
...ding to hasten the iourney: but it came to passe that
...he fell downe from his charet, carried violently so
...that hauing a sore fall, all the members of his bo-
...dy were much pained.

...And thus he that a little afore thought hee
...might command the waues of the Sea, (so proud
...was he beyond the condition of man) and weigh
...the high mountaines in a ballance, was now cast on
...the ground, and carried in a horse-litter, shewing
...forth vnto all, the manifest power of God.

...So that the wormes rose vp out of the body
...of this wicked man, and whiles he liued in sorrow
...and paine, his flesh fell away, and the filthinesse of
...his smell was noysome to all his army.

...And the man that thought a little before, he
...could reach to the Starres of heauen, no man could
...indure to carry for his intolerable stinke.

...Here therefore being plagued, hee began to
...leaue off his great pride, and to come to the know-
...ledge [of himselfe] by the scourge of God, his
...paine increasing euery moment.

...And when hee himselfe could not abide his
...owne smell, hee said these words, It is meet to be
...subiect vnto God, and that a man that is mortall
...should not proudly thinke of himselfe as if hee
...were God.

...This wicked person vowed also vnto the Lord
...(who now no more would haue mercy vpon him)
...saying thus:

...That the holy city (to the which he was going
...in haste, to lay it euen with the ground, and to
...make it a common burying place) he would set at
...libertie.

...And as touching the Iewes, whom hee had
...iudged not worthy so much as to be buried, but to
...be cast out with their children, to bee deuoured of
...the fowles and wild beasts, hee would make them
...all equalls to the citizens of ‖ Athens:

‖ Or, Asiatics.

...And the holy Temple, which before hee had
...spoiled, hee would garnish with goodly gifts, and
...restore all the holy vessels, with many more, and
...out of his owne reuenue defray the charges be-
...longing to the sacrifices:

...Yea, and that also hee would become a Iew
...himselfe, and goe through all the world that was
...inhabited, and declare the power of God.

...But for all this his paines would not cease:
...for the iust iudgement of God was come vpon
...him, therefore despairing of his health, he wrote
...vnto the Iewes the letter vnderwritten, containing
...the forme of a supplication after this manner,

...Antiochus, king and gouernour, to the good
...Iewes, his citizens, wisheth much ioy, health, and
...prosperity.

...If ye and your children fare well, and your
...affaires be to your contentment, I giue very great
...thankes to God, hauing my hope in heauen.

...As for me, I was weake, or else I would haue
...remembred kindly your honour and good will:
...Returning out of Persia, and being taken with a
...grieuous disease, I thought it necessary to care for
...the common safety of all:

...Not distrusting my health, but hauing great
...hope to escape this sickenesse:

...But considering that euen my father, at what
...time hee led an army into the high countreys, ap-
...pointed a successour,

...To the end that if any thing fell out contrary
...to expectation, or if any tidings were brought that
...were grieuous, they of the land knowing to whom
...‖ the State was left, might not be troubled.

‖ Or, Kingdom affaires.

...Againe, considering how that the Princes, that
...are borderers and neighbours, vnto my kingdome,
...wait for opportunities, and expect what shall be the
...euent, I haue appointed my sonne Antiochus King,
...whom I often committed, and commended vnto
...many of you, when I went vp into the high pro-
...uinces, to whom I haue written as follo-weth.

...Therefore I pray and require you to remem-

...ber

ber the benefits, that I haue done vnto you generally and in speciall, and that euery man will be still faithfull to me, and my sonne.

‖ Or, following. 27 For I am perswaded, that he ‖ vnderstanding my mind, will fauourably and graciously yeeld to your desires.

28 Thus the murderer and blasphemer, hauing sustained most grieuously, as he intreated other men, so did he a miserable death in a strange countrey in the mountaines.

29 And Philip that was brought vp with him, carried away his body, who also fearing the sonne of Antiochus, went into Egypt to Ptolomeus Philometor.

CHAP. X.

1 Iudas recouereth the city, and purifieth the Temple, 14 Gorgias weareth the Iewes. 16 Iudas winneth their holds. 29 Timotheus and his men are discomfited. 35 Gazara is taken, and Timotheus slaine.

NOw Maccabeus and his company, the Lord guiding them, recouered the Temple, and the city.

2 But the altars which the heathen had built in the open street, and also the chappels, they pulled downe.

3 And hauing cleansed the Temple, they made another altar, and striking stones, they tooke fire out of them, and offered a sacrifice after two yeeres, and set forth incense, and lights, and shewbread.

4 When that was done, they fell flat downe, and besought the Lord, that they might come no more into such troubles, but if they sinned any more against him, that he himselfe would chasten them with mercy, and that they might not be deliuered vnto the blasphemous and barbarous nations.

5 Now vpon the same day that the strangers prophaned the Temple, on the very same day it was cleansed againe, euen the fiue and twentieth day of the same moneth, which is Casleu.

6 And they kept eight dayes with gladnes, as in the feast of the Tabernacles, remembring that not long afore they had held the feast of the Tabernacles, when as they wandred in the mountaines and dens like beasts.

7 Therfore they beare branches and faire boughes, and palmes also, and sang Psalmes vnto him that had giuen them good successe in clensing his place.

8 They ordained also by a common statute and decree, that euery yeere those dayes should be kept of the whole nation of the Iewes.

9 And this was the end of Antiochus, called Epiphanes.

10 Now will wee declare the actes of Antiochus Eupator, who was the sonne of this wicked man, gathering briefly the calamities of the warres.

11 So when he was come to the crowne, he set one Lysias ouer the affaires of his realme, & [appointed him] chiefe gouernor ouer Cœlosyria and Phenice.

12 For Ptolomeus, that was called Macron, chusing rather to doe iustice vnto the Iewes, for the wrong that had beene done vnto them, endeauoured to continue peace with them.

‖ Or, and not bearing his authority as it becometh a Noble-man.

13 Whereupon being accused of [the Kings] friends before Eupator, and called traytor at euery word, because he had left Cyprus, that Philometor had committed vnto him, and departed vnto Antiochus Epiphanes, ‖ and seeing that he was in no honourable place, he was so discouraged, that hee poysoned himselfe, and died.

‖ Or, strong places.

14 But when Gorgias was gouernour of the ‖ holds, he hired souldiers, and nourished warre continually with the Iewes.

15 And therewithall the Idumeans hauing ten into their hands the most commodious kept the Iewes occupied, and receiuing those were banished from Ierusalem, they went nourish warre.

16 Then they that were with Maccabeus supplication, and besought God, that he would their helper, and so they ran with violence the strong holds of the Idumeans,

17 And assaulting them strongly, they wo holds, and kept off all that fought vpon the and slew all that fell into their hands, and no fewer then twenty thousand.

18 And because certaine (who were no le nine thousand) were fled together into two strong castles, hauing all manner of things nient to sustaine the siege;

19 Maccabeus left Simon, and Ioseph, and chæus also, and them that were with him, wh enow to besiege them, and departed himselfe those places which more needed his helpe.

20 Now ‖ they that were with Simon, being with couetousnesse, were perswaded for (through certaine of those that were in the and tooke seuenty thousand drachmes, and let of them escape.

21 But when it was told Maccabeus what done, he called the gouernours of the people ther, and accused those men, that they had their brethren for money, and set their ene free to fight against them.

22 So hee slew those that were found trait and immediately tooke the two castles.

23 And hauing good successe with his wea in all things he tooke in hand, he slew in the holds more then twenty thousand.

24 Now Timotheus, whom the Iewes had come before, when he had gathered a great m tude of forreine forces, and horses out of Asi a few, came as though hee would take Iew force of armes.

25 But when hee drew neere, ‖ they that with Maccabeus, turned themselues to pray God, and sprinkled earth vpon their heads, girded their loines with sackcloth.

26 And fell downe at the foot of the Altar besought him to be mercifull to them, and to b enemy to their enemies, and an aduersary to adnersaries, as the Law declareth.

27 So after the prayer, they tooke their weap and went on further from the city: and when drew neere to their enemies, they kept by th selues.

28 Now the Sunne being n wly risen, they joi both together, the one part hauing, together w their vertue, their refuge also vnto the Lord, ‖ pledge of their successe and victory: the ot side making their rage leader of their battell

29 But when the battell waxed strong, there peared vnto the enemies from heauen: fiue co men vpon horses, with bridles of gold, and gu them led the Iewes,

30 And tooke Maccabeus betwixt them, and uered him on euery side with their weapons, kept him safe, but shot arrowes and lightn against the enemies: so that being confoun with blindnesse, and full of trouble, they w killed.

31 And there were slaine [of footmen] two thousand and fiue hundred, and sixe hundred h men.

32 As for Timotheus himselfe, he fled into a fo

ypha.

ong hold, called Gazara, where Cheres was go-
rnour.

33 But they that were with Maccabeus, laid siege
ainst the fortresse courageously foure dayes

34 And they that were within, trusting to the
engeth of the place, blasphemed exceedingly, and
ttered wicked words.

35 Nevertheless, vpon the fift day early, twenty
ung men of Maccabeus company, inflamed with
ger, because of the blasphemies, assulted the
ll manly, and with a fierce courage killed all
at they met withall.

36 Others likewise ascending after them, whiles
ey were busied with them that were within,
rnt the towers, and kindling fires, burnt the
asphemers alive, and others broke open the
tes, and having receiued in the rest of the army,
ssie the city,

37 And killed Timothens, that was hid in a
rtaine pit, and Cheres his brother with Apollo-
nius.

38 When this was done, they praised the Lord
th Psalmes and thanksgiuing, who had done so
eat things for Israel, and giuen them the victory.

CHAP. XI.

*1 Lysias thinking to get Hierusalem, 8 is put to
ight. 16 The letters of Lysias to the Iewes: 22
f the King vnto Lysias: 27 and to the Iewes: 34
f the Romanes to the Iewes.*

NOt long after this, Lysias the Kings † pro-
tector and cousin, who also managed the
ffaires, tooke sore displeasure for the things that
ere done.

2 And when hee had gathered about fourescore
ousand, with all the horsemen, hee came against
e Iewes, thinking to make the city an habitation
f the ‖ Gentiles,

3 And to make a gaine of the Temple, as of the
ther Chappels of the heathen, and to set the high
riesthood to sale euery yeere:

4 Not at all considering the power of God, but
ffed vp with his ten thousand footmen, and his
ousand horsemen, and his fourescore Elephants.

5 So hee came to Iudea, and drew neere to Beth-
ra, which was a strong towne, but distant from
erusalem about fiue furlongs, and hee laid sore
ge vnto it.

6 Now when ‖ they that were with Maccabeus,
ard that he besieged the holds, they, and all the
ople with lamentation and teares, besought the
rd, that he would send a good Angel to deliuer
rael.

7 Then Maccabeus himselfe first of all tooke
apons, exhorting the other that they would
pard themselues together with him to helpe
eir brethren: so they went foorth together with
elling minde.

8 And as they were at Hierusalem, there appea-
d before them on horsebacke, one in white clo-
ing, shaking his armour of gold.

9 Then they praised the mercifull God altoge-
er, and tooke heart, insomuch that they were
dy, not onely to fight with men, but with
ost cruell beasts, and to pierce thorow walles
iron.

10 Thus they marched forward in their armour,
ving an helper from heauen: for the Lord was
erfull vnto them.

11 And giuing a charge vpon their enemies like
ons, they slew eleuen thousand footmen, and
sixteene hundred horsemen, and put all the other
to flight.

12 Many of them also being wounded, escaped
naked, and Lysias himselfe fled away shamefully,
and so escaped.

13 Who, as hee was a man of vnderstanding, ca-
sting with himselfe what losse he had had, and con-
sidering that the Hebrewes could not be ouercome,
because the Almighty God helped them, hee sent
vnto them,

14 And perswaded them to agree to all reaso-
nable conditions, and [promised] that hee would
perswade the King that he must needs be a friend
vnto them.

15 Then Maccabeus consented to all that Lysias
desired, being carefull of the common good: and
whatsoeuer Maccabeus wrote vnto Lysias concer-
ning the Iewes, the King granted it.

16 For there were letters written vnto the
Iewes from Lysias, to this effect: Lysias vnto the
people of the Iewes sendeth greeting.

17 Iohns and Abselon, who were sent from you,
deliuered me the petition subscribed, and made
request for the performance of the contents thereof.

18 Therefore what things soeuer were meet to
be reported to the King, I haue declared them, and
he hath granted as much as might be.

19 If then you will keepe your selues loyall to
the State, hereafter also will I endeauour to be a
meanes of your good.

20 But of the particulars I haue giuen order,
both to these, and the other that came from me, to
commune with you.

21 Fare yee well. The hundred and eight and
fourtie yeere, the foure and twenty day of the mo-
neth ‖ Dioscorinth.

‖ Or, Di-
oscorus.

22 Now the Kings letter contained these words,
King Antiochus vnto his brother Lysias, sendeth
greeting.

23 Since our father is translated vnto the gods,
our will is, that they that are in our Realme liue
quietly, that euery one may attend vpon his owne
affaires.

24 Wee vnderstand also, that the Iewes would
not consent to our father, for to be brought vnto
the custome of the Gentiles, but had rather keepe
their owne manner of liuing: for the which cause
they require of vs, that wee should suffer them to
liue after their owne Lawes.

25 Wherefore our mind is, that this nation shal
be in rest, and we haue determined to restore them
their Temple, that they may liue according to the
customes of their forefathers.

26 Thou shalt doe well therefore to send vnto
them, and ‖ grant them peace, that when they are
certified of our minde, they may be of good com-
fort, and euer goe cheerefully about their owne
affaires.

‖ Or, giue
them as-
surance.

27 And the letter of the King vnto the nation
of the Iewes, was after this manner: King Antio-
chus sendeth greeting vnto the Counsell, and the
rest of the Iewes.

28 If ye fare well, we haue our desire, we are also
in good health.

29 Menelaus declared vnto vs, that your desire
was to returne home: and to follow your owne
businesse.

30 Wherefore they that will depart, shall haue
safe conduct, till the thirtieth day of Xanthicus,
with security.

31 And the Iewes shall vse their own kind of
meats, and lawes as before, and none of them any

manner of wayes shall be molested for things ignorantly done.

32 I have sent also Menelaus, that hee may comfort you.

33 Fare yee well. In the hundred fourty and eight yeere, and the fifteenth day of the moneth ‖ Xanthicus.

‖ Or, April.

34 The Romanes also sent vnto them a letter containing these words: Quintus Memmius, and Titus Manlius ‖ Ambassadours of the Romanes, send greeting vnto the people of the Iewes.

‖ Or, Consuls.

35 Whatsoeuer Lysias the Kings cosin hath granted, therewith we also are well pleased.

36 But touching such things as he iudged to be referred to the King: after you have aduised thereof, send one forthwith, that we may declare, as it is conuenient for you: for we are now going to Antioch.

37 Therefore send some with speed, that wee may know what is your minde.

38 Farewell. This hundred and eight & fortieth yeere, the fifteenth day of the moneth Xanthicus.

CHAP. XII.

1 *The Kings Lieutenants vexe the Iewes.* 3 *They of Ioppe drowne two hundred Iewes.* 6 *Iudas auengeth vpon them.* 11 *Hee maketh peace with the Arabians,* 16 *and taketh Caspin.* 22 *Timotheus armies ouerthrowne.*

WHen these couenants were made, Lysias went vnto the King, and the Iewes were about their husbandry.

2 But of the gouernours of seuerall places, Timotheus, and Apollonius the sonne of Gennæus, also Hieronymus, and Demophon, and besides them, Nicanor the gouernour of Cyprus, would not suffer them to be quiet, and liue in peace.

3 The men of Ioppe also did such an vngodly deed: they prayed the Iewes that dwelt among them, to goe with their wiues and children into the boats which they had prepared, as though they had meant them no harte.

4 Who accepted of it, according to the common decree of the city, as being desirous to liue in peace, and in feeting nothing: but when they were gone fourth into the deepe, they drowned no lesse then two hundred of them.

5 When Iudas heard of this cruelty done vnto his country-men, he commanded those that were with him [to make them ready.]

6 And calling vpon God, the righteous Iudge, hee came against those murderers of his brethren, and burnt the hauen by night, and set the boats on fire, and those that fled thither he slew.

7 And when the towne was shut vp, hee went backeward, ‖ as if he would returne to root out all them of the city of Ioppe.

‖ Or, with a purpose to return.

8 But when hee heard that the Iamnites were minded to do in like manner vnto the Iewes that dwelt among them,

9 He came vpon the Iamnites also by night, and set fire on the hauen and the nauy, so that the light of the fire was seene at Hierusalem, two hundred and fourty furlongs off.

10 Now when they were gone from thence, nine furlongs in their iourney toward Timotheus, no fewer then fiue thousand men on foot, and fiue hundred horsemen of the Arabians set vpon him.

11 Whereupon there was a very sore battell: but Iudas side by the helpe of God got the victory, so that the Nomades of Arabia being ouercome, besought Iudas for peace, promising both to giue him cattell, and to pleasure him otherwise.

12 Then Iudas thinking indeed, that they would be profitable in many things, granted them peace: whereupon they shooke hands, and so they ‖ departed to their tents.

‖ or, rested

13 Hee went also about to make a siedge to a certaine strong city, which was fenced about with walls, and inhabited by people of diuers countries, and the name of it was Caspin.

14 But they that were within it, put such trust in the strength of the walles, and prouision of victuals, that they behaued themselues rashly toward them that were with Iudas, railing, and blaspheming, and vttering such words as were not to be spoken.

15 Wherefore Iudas with his company called vpon the great Lord of the world, who without any rammes, or engines of warre, did ouerthrow Iericho in the time of Iosua, gaue a fierce assault against the walles,

16 And tooke the city by the will of God, and made vnspeakeable slaughters, insomuch that a lake two furlongs broad, were adioyning thereto, being filled full, was seene running with blood.

17 Then departed they from thence seuen hundred and fifty furlongs, and came to Chasphin to the Iewes that are called Tubieni.

18 But as for Timotheus, they found him not in the places, for before he had dispatched any thing he departed from thence, leauing behind him a very strong garrison in a certaine hold.

19 Howbeit, Dositheus, and Sosipater, whom of Maccabeus captaines, went forth and slew those that Timotheus had left in the fortresse, to the number of ten thousand men.

20 And Maccabeus ranged his army by bands, and set ‖ them ouer the bands, and went against Timotheus, who had about him an hundred and twenty thousand men of foot, and two thousand and fiue hundred horsemen.

‖ or, them

21 Now when Timotheus had knowledge of Iudas comming, he sent the women and children, and the other baggage vnto a fortresse called Carnion, (for the towne was hard to beseige, and vnpossible to come vnto, by reason of the straitnesse of all the places.)

22 But when Iudas his first band came in sight, the enemies (being smitten with feare and terrour, through the appearing of him that seeth all things) fled amaine, one running this way, another that way, so as that they were often hurt of their owne men, and wounded with the points of their owne swords.

23 Iudas also was very earnest in pursuing them, killing those wicked wretches, of whom there were about thirty thousand men.

24 Moreouer, Timotheus himselfe fell into the hands of Dositheus and Sosipater, whom hee fought with much craft to let him goe with life, because he had many of the Iewes parents, the brethren of some of them, who if they put to death, should not be regarded.

25 So when hee had assured them with many words, that he would restore them without harme, according to the agreement, they let him goe for the saiing of their brethren.

26 Then Maccabeus marched fourth to Carnion, and to the Temple of ‖ Atargatis, and there slew fiue and twenty thousand persons.

‖ or, Astaroth

27 And after he had put to flight, and destroyed them, Iudas removed the hoste towards Ephron, a strong citie wherein Lysias abode, and a

multitude of diuers nations, and the strong young men kept the wals, and defended them mightily, wherein also was great prouision of engines and dartes.

28 But when Iudas and his company had called vpon Almighty God, (who with his power beateth the strength of his enemies) they wan the citie, and slew twenty and fiue thousand of them that were within.

29 From thence they departed to Scythopolis: which lieth fiue hundred furlongs from Ierusalem.

30 But when the Iewes that dwelt there had testified that the Scythopolitans dealt louingly with them, and intreated them kindly in the time of their aduersitie:

31 They giue them thankes, desiring them to be friendly still vnto them, and so they came to Ierusalem, the feast of the weeks approaching.

32 And after the feast called Pentecost, they went forth against Gorgias the gouernour of Idumea,

33 Who came out with three thousand men of warre, and horsemen

34 And it happened that in their fighting together, a few of the Iewes were slaine.

35 At which time Dositheus, one of Bacenors company, who was on horsebacke, and a strong man, set vpon Gorgias, and taking hold of his coate, drew him by force, and when he would haue taken that cursed man aliue, a horseman of Thracia coming vpon him, smote off his shoulder, so that Gorgias fled vnto Marisa.

36 Now when they that were with Gorgias, had fought long, and were weary, Iudas called vpon the Lord, that he would shew himselfe to be their helper and leader of the battell.

37 And with that he began in his owne language, and sung Psalmes with a loud voyce, and making vnawares vpon Gorgias men, hee put them to flight.

38 So Iudas gathered his hoste, and came into the citie of Odollam. And when the seuenth day came they purified themselues (as the custome was) and kept the Sabbath in the same place.

39 And vpon the day following, (as the vse had been) Iudas and his company came to take vp the bodies of them that were slaine, and to lay them with their kinsemen in their fathers graues.

40 Now vnder the coates of euery one that was slaine, they found things consecrated to the idoles of the Iamaites, which is forbidden the Iewes by the Law. Then euery man saw that this was the cause wherefore they were slaine.

41 All men therefore praising the Lord, the righteous Iudge, who had opened the things that were hid,

42 Betooke themselues vnto prayer, and besought that the sin committed might wholly bee put out of remembrance. Besides that, noble Iudas, exhorted the people to keepe themselues from sin, seeing they saw before their eyes the things that came to passe, for the sinne of those that were slaine.

43 And when he had made a gathering throughout the company, to the summe of two thousand drammes of siluer, he sent it to Ierusalem, to offer a sinne offring, doing therein very well and honestly, in that he was mindfull of the resurrection.

44 (For if he had not hoped that they that were slaine should haue risen againe, it had been superfluous and vaine to pray for the dead.)

45 And also in that he perceiued that there was great fauour laid vp for those that died godly, (it was an holy and good thought) whereupon hee made a reconciliation for the dead, that they might be deliuered from sinne.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Eupator inuadeth Iudea. 15 Iudas ly nigh slayeth many. 18 Eupators purpose is defeated. 23 Hee maketh peace with Iudas.

IN the hundred forty and ninth yeere it was told Iudas, that Antiochus Eupator was comming with a great power into Iudea;

2 And with him Lysias, his protectour and ruler of his affaires, hauing either of them a Grecian power of footmen, an hundred and ten thousand, and horsemen fiue thousand and three hundred and Elephantes two and twenty, and three hundred chariots armed with hookes.

3 Menelaus also ioyned himselfe with them, and with great dissimulation encouraged Antiochus, not for the safegard of the country, but because he thought to haue beene made gouernour.

4 But the King of kings moued Antiochus mind against this wicked wretch, and Lysias informed the King, that this man was the cause of all mischiefe, so that the King commanded to bring him vnto Berea, and to put him to death, as the manner is in that place.

5 Now there was in that place a tower of fifty cubites high, full of ashes, and it had a round instrument, which on euery side hanged downe into the ashes.

6 And whosoeuer was condemned of sacrilledge, or had committed any other grieuous crime, there did all men thinke him vnto death.

7 Such a death it happened that wicked man to die, not hauing so much as burial in the earth, and that most iustly.

8 For in as much as hee had committed many sinnes about the Altar, whose fire and ashes were holy, he receiued his death in ashes.

9 Now the King came with a barbarous and haughty minde, to doe far worse to the Iewes then had beene done in his fathers time.

10 Which things when Iudas perceiued, he commanded the multitude to call vpon the Lord night and day that if euer at any other time, hee would now also helpe them, being at the point to bee put from their Law, from their country, and from the holy Temple:

11 And that he would not suffer the people, that had euen now beene but a little refreshed, to bee in subiection to the blasphemous nations.

12 So when they had all done this together, and besought the mercifull Lord, with weeping and fasting, and lying vpon the ground three dayes long, Iudas hauing exhorted them, commanded they should be in a readinesse.

13 And Iudas being apart with the Elders, determined before the Kings hoste should enter into Iudea, and get the city, to goe foorth and try the matter [in fight] by the helpe of the Lord.

14 So when hee had committed [all] to the Creator of the world, and exhorted his souldiers to fight manfully, euen vnto death, for the Lawes, the Temple, the city, the country, and the common weale, he camped by Modin:

15 And hauing giuen the watch-word to them that were about him, Victory is of God; with the most valiant and choyce young men, hee went into the Kings tent by night, and slew in the campe

[Or, had a little refreshing.]

[Or, Lord]

about foure thousand men, and the chiefest of the Elephants, with all that were vpon him.

16 And at last they filled the campe with feare and tumult, and departed with good successe.

17 This was done in the breake of the day, because the protection of the Lord did helpe him.

18 Now when the King had taken a taste of the manlinesse of the Iewes, he went about to take the holds by policy,

19 And marched towards Bethsura, which was a strong hold of the Iewes, but hee was put to flight, failed, and lost of his men.

20 For Iudas had conueyed vnto them that were in it, such things as were necessary.

21 But Rhodocus, who was in the Iewes hoste, disclosed the secrets to the enemies, therefore he was sought out, and when they had gotten him, they put him in prison.

22 The King treated with them in Bethsura the second time, gaue his hand, tooke theirs, departed, fought with Iudas, was ouercome:

23 Heard that Philip, who was left ouer the affaires in Antioch [or, rebelled.] was desperately bent, confounded, entreated the Iewes, submitted himselfe, and sware to all equall conditions, agreed with them, and offered sacrifice, honoured the Temple, and dealt kindly with the place,

24 And accepted well of Maccabeus, made him principall gouernor from Ptolemais vnto the Gerrhenians,

25 Came to Ptolemais, the people there were grieued for the couenants: for they stormed because they would make their couenants void.

26 Lysias went vp to the Iudgement seat, said as much as could bee in defence of the cause, perswaded, pacified, made them well affected, returned to Antioch. Thus it went touching the Kings comming and departing.

CHAP. XIIII.

6 Alcimus accuseth Iudas. 18 Nicanor maketh peace with Iudas. 39 He seeketh to take Rhasis, 46 who to escape his hands, killeth himselfe.

AFter three yeeres was Iudas enformed, that Demetrius the sonne of Seleucus, hauing entred by the hauen of Tripolis with a great power and nauy,

2 Had taken the countrey, and killed Antiochus, and Lysias his protector.

3 Now one Alcimus, who had beene high Priest, and had defiled himselfe willfully in the times of their mingling (with the Gentiles) seeing that by no meanes hee could saue himselfe, nor haue any more accesse to the holy Altar,

4 Came to King Demetrius in the hundred and one and fiftieth yere, presenting vnto him a crowne of gold, and a palme, and also of the boughes which were [vsed solemnely in the Temple: and so that day he held his peace.

[or, thought to be of the Temple.] 5 Howbeit, hauing gotten opportunity to further his foolish enterprise, [and] being called into counsell by Demetrius, and asked how the Iewes stood affected, and what they intended, he answered thereunto;

6 Those of the Iewes that bee called Asideans, (whose Captaine is Iudas Maccabeus) nourish war, and are seditious, and will not let the realme be in peace.

7 Therefore I being depriued of mine ancestors honour, (I meane the high Priesthood) am now come hither:

8 First, verely for the vnfained care I haue of things pertaining to the King, and secondly euen for that I intend the good of mine owne countrey men, for all our nation is in no small misery, through the vnadui sed dealing of them aforesaid.

9 Wherefore, O King, seeing thou know'st all these things, bee carefull for the countrey, and our nation, which is pressed on euery side, according to the clemency that thou readily shew'st vnto all.

10 For as long as Iudas liueth, it is not possible that the State should be quiet.

11 This was no sooner spoken of him, but others of the Kings friends being maliciously set against Iudas, did more incense Demetrius.

12 And forthwith calling Nicanor, who had beene master of the Elephants, and making him gouernour ouer Iudea, he sent him forth,

13 Commanding him to slay Iudas, and to scatter them that were with him, and to make Alcimus high Priest of the great Temple.

14 Then the heathen that had fled out of Iudea from Iudas, came to Nicanor by flockes, thinking the harme and calamities of the Iewes to bee their welfare.

15 Now when the Iewes heard of Nicanors coming, and that the heathen were vp against them, they cast earth vpon their heads, and made supplication to him that had stablished his people for euer, and who alwayes helpeth his portion with manifestation of his presence.

16 So at the commandement of the captaine they remooued straightwayes from thence, and came neere vnto them at the towne of Dessaw.

17 Now Simon, Iudas brother, had ioined battell with Nicanor, but was some what discomfited through the sudden silence of his enemies.

18 Neuertheless, Nicanor hearing of the manlinesse of them that were with Iudas, and the courragiousnesse that they had to fight for their country, durst not try the matter by the sword.

19 Wherefore he sent Posidonius, and Theodotus, and Mattathias to make peace.

20 So when they had taken long aduisement thereupon, and the captaine had made the multitude acquainted therewith, and it appeared that they were all of one minde, they consented to the couenants,

21 And appointed a day to meet in together themselues, and when the day came, and thrones were set for either of them,

22 Iudas placed armed men ready in conuenient places, least some treachery should be suddenly practised by the enemies; so they made a peaceable conference.

23 Now Nicanor abode in Ierusalem, and did no hurt, but sent away the people that came flocking vnto him.

24 And hee would not willingly haue Iudas out of his sight: for he loued the man from his heart.

25 He prayed him also to take a wife, and to get children: so he married, was quiet, and [tooke part of this life.

26 But Alcimus perceiuing the loue that was betwixt them, and considering the couenants that were made, came to Demetrius, and told him that Nicanor was not well affected towards the State: for that hee had ordained Iudas, a traitour to the realme, to be the Kings successour.

27 Then the King being in a rage, and perswaded with the accusations of the most wicked man, wrote to Nicanor, signifying that he was much displeased with the couenants, and commanding that he should send Maccabeus prisoner in all haste vnto Antioch.

28 When

28 When this came to Nicanors hearing, he was much confounded in himselfe, and tooke it grieuously, that he should make void the articles which were agreed vpon, the man being in no fault.

29 But because there was no dealing against the king, he watched his time to accomplish this thing by policie.

30 Notwithstanding, when Maccabeus saw that Nicanor began to be churlish vnto him, and that he intreated him more roughly then he was wont, perceiuing that such sowre behauiour came not of good, he gathered together not a few of his men, and withdrew himselfe from Nicanor.

31 But the other knowing that he was notably preuented by Iudas policy, came into the great and holy Temple, and commanded the Priests that were offering their vsuall sacrifices, to deliuer him the man.

32 And when they sware that they could not tell where the man was whom he sought,

33 He stretched out his right hand toward the Temple, and made an oath in this manner: If you will not deliuer me Iudas as a prisoner, I will lay this Temple of God euen with the ground, and I will breake downe the Altar, and erect a notable Temple vnto Bacchus.

34 After these words hee departed; Then the Priests lift vp their hands towards heauen, and besought him that was euer a defender of their nation, saying, in this manner,

35 Thou, O Lord of all things, who hast need of nothing, wast pleased that the Temple of thine habitation should be among vs.

36 Therefore now, O holy Lord of all holinesse, keepe this house euer vndefiled, which lately was cleansed, and stop euery vnrighteous mouth.

37 Now was there accused vnto Nicanor, one Razis one of the Elders of Ierusalem, a louer of his countrey men, and a man of very good report, who for his kindnesse was called a father of the Iewes.

38 For in the former times, when they mingled not themselues with the Gentiles, he had beene accused of Iudaisme, and did boldly ieopard his body and life with all vehemency for the religion of the Iewes.

39 So Nicanor willing to declare the hate that he bare to the Iewes, sent aboue fiue hundred men of warre to take him.

40 For he thought by taking him, to doe [the Iewes] much hurt.

41 Now when the multitude would haue taken the Towre, and violently broken into the vtter doore, and bade that fire should be brought to burn it, he being ready to be taken on euery side, fell vpon his sword.

42 Chusing rather to die manfully, then to come into the hands of the wicked, to be abused otherwise then beseemed his noble birth.

43 But missing his stroke through haste, the multitude also rushing within the doores, he ran boldly vp to the wall, and cast himselfe downe manfully among the thickest of them.

44 But they quickly giuing backe, and a space being made, he fell downe into the midst of the void place.

45 Neuertheless, while there was yet breath within him, being inflamed with anger, he rose vp, and though his blood gushed out like spouts of water, and his wounds were grieuous, yet he ran through the midst of the throng, and standing vpon a steepe rocke,

46 When as his blood was now quite gone, he pluckt out his bowels, and taking them in both his hands, he cast them vpon the throng, and calling vpon the Lord of Life and Spirit to restore him those againe, he thus died.

CHAP. XV.

5 Nicanors blasphemie. 8 Iudas encourageth his men by his dreame. 28 Nicanor is slame.

BVt Nicanor hearing that Iudas and his company were in the strong places about Samaria, resolued without any danger to set vpon them on the Sabbath day.

2 Neuertheless, the Iewes that were compelled to goe with him, said, O destroy not so cruelly, and barbarously, but giue honour to that day, which he that seeth all things, hath honoured with holinesse, aboue [other dayes.]

3 Then this most vngracious wretch demanded if there were a mighty one in heauen that had commanded the Sabbath day to be kept.

4 And when they said, There is in heauen a liuing Lord, and mighty, who commanded the seuenth day to be kept.

5 Then said the other, And I also am mighty vpon earth: and I command to take armes, and to doe the Kings businesse: yet he obtained not to haue his wicked will done.

6 So Nicanor in exceeding pride and haughtines, determined to set vp a publike monument of his victory ouer Iudas, and them that were with him.

7 But Maccabeus had euer sure confidence that the Lord would helpe him.

8 Wherfore he exhorted his people not to feare the comming of the heathen against them, but to remember the helpe which in former times they had receiued from heauen, and now to expect the victory and aid which should come vnto them from the Almighty.

9 And so comforting them out of the Law and the Prophets, and with all putting them in minde of the battels that they won afore, he made them more cheerefull:

10 And when he had stirred vp their mindes, he gaue them their charge, shewing them therewithall the falshood of the heathen, and the breach of oathes.

11 Thus he armed euery one of them, not so much with defence of shields and speares, as with comfortable and good words; and besides that, he told them a dreame worthy to be beleeued, as if it had beene so indeed, which did not a little reioyce them.

12 And this was his vision; That Onias who had beene high Priest, a vertuous and a good man, reuerend in conuersation, gentle in condition, well spoken also, and exercised from a childe in all points of vertue, holding vp his hands, prayed for the whole body of the Iewes.

13 This done, in like manner, there appeared a man with gray haires, and exceeding glorious, who was of a wonderfull and excellent maiesty.

14 Then Onias answered, saying, This is a louer of the brethren, who praieth much for the people, and for the holy City, (to wit) Ieremias the Prophet of God.

15 Whereupon Ieremias holding forth his right hand, gaue to Iudas a sword of gold, and in giuing it, spake thus:

16 Take this holy sword, a gift from God, with the which thou shalt wound the aduersaries.

17 Thus being well comforted by the words of Iudas, which were very good, and able to stir them vp to valour, and to encourage the hearts of the